

his term of offibe since confideration. General De Gallifet the new French Minister of War is administering affairs in his department with a firm hand. General De Negrier has been deposed from office for giving orders to his subordinates which were inadmissable and seriously against discipline in the army. The trial of Dreyfus begins in a few days at Rennes. Many of the army officers who took a leading part in the first trial have since been disgraced and discredited, and public feeling has wonderfully changed, and whatever the ver-

The Alaskan difficulty seems to b nearcr an amicable settlement than ever before. Britain seems to be in full sympathy with Canada, and the prebability is that a free port on the Lynn canal will be granted to Canada, pending a final settlement of the international boundary. ' President McKinley and his cabinet are in a tight place in regard to this question. If they con cede anything to Canada that will give us control over the Yukon trade, i means the alienation of the vote of the Pacific coast from the Republican party and this would mean a Republican de feat at the next Presidential election.

are good.

-Lord Salisbury has at last spoken in regard to the Transvaal trouble. The grievances of the Uitlanders must be fully redressed now by President Kruger, and the Transvaal Volksraad on Britain will by force of . arms compel them to grant equal rights to all residents, that is, that the Uitlanders sha! have the same rights and privileges as Dutch settlers in Cape Colony have. Sir Hugh Campbell Bannerman the leader of the Liberal party in the House of Commons has declared his agree ment with the Government's action in taking vigorous steps to enforce if ne cessary, the demands of the govern

nt. The leading English papers are all of one mind that further delay in pressing the claims of the Uitlanders would be impolitic and foolish.

Sydney, C. B., July 31 .- Sunday evening about 7 o'clock, William Keho and James Doyle, of Whitney Pier, and John Morrison, trackman, of this town left North Sydney for here in a sail boat. They had been drinking, There had been bad feeling between Kehoo and Doyle, and when off Point Edward they began to fight, and clinched. Affter a short struggle both fell overboard. Morrison tried to rescue them. but could not, as they continued to fight in the water until both went Snow Ball, No. 1077. down. A search will be made for the bodies.

A serious accident happened on Mr. Thomson's farm, some two or three miles north of Walkerton, on Saturday last. It appear's Mr. Thomson's men were unloading hay, using a hayfork and team for the purpose, and had a forkful well up to the mow when the fastening of the rope gave way and the block struck Alex. Craig in the side. over the heart, and fractured two of his ribs. The lining of the lung was torn. From last accounts Mr. Craig was in a yery critical condition.

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