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NRY (OTHERWISE SAMUEL) CLAPHAM of Galiano Island, British Columbia, and formerly of Eynesbury, in the County of Huntingdon, England, Deceased

otice is hereby given that at the expinon of three months from the first pubtion of this notice, I shall register the e of Amelia Franklin, of Eynesbury, St. sts, in the county of Huntingdon, Engd, the wife of Stephen Franklin, and ry Ann King of the town and county of cester, England, widow, the two sisters the said deceased, the sole co-heiresses next of kin of the said deceased unless of shall be furnished me that other sons are entitled to claim heirship to said deceased with the said Amelia inklin and Mary Ann King.

ated the 14th day of May 1808,

S. Y. WOOTTON,

Registrar-General.

OTICE—Sixty days after date I intend of apply to the Chief Commissioner of ands and Works for permission to purhase the following described tracts of and, situate at the head of Nasoga Guz, ommencing at the N.W. corner on shore ne, thence south 40 chains, east 40 hains, north 40 chains, west 40 chains, to oint of commencement, containing 160 cres (more or less). FRANK ROUNDY, 8th March, 1898.

TICE is hereby given that 30 days after ate I intend to apply to the Chief Comissioner of Lands and Works for a speial license to cut and carry away timber a the following described lands: Comencing at a post marked "F. P. Kenall," southwest corner, situate on the asterly shore of Teslin Lake, at a point irectly opposite islands at entrance to arrows, and about six miles from south and of Teslin Lake; thence running 160 hains north, following the shore of Teslin Lake; thence 160 chains east; hence 160 chains south; thence 40 chains rest, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less. rest, to point of commencement, containing 640 acres, more or less.

Dated 6th day of June, 1898.

F. P. KENDALL.

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PTICE is hereby given that 30 days after ate I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber in the following described lands: Commencing at a post marked "Frank Highins," northwest corner, situate on eastry shore of Teslin Lake, one and a half miles north from mouth of Fifteen Mileiver, opposite Shell island in Teslin nate; thence running 40 chains in an asterly direction; thence 100 chains in a outherly direction; thence 40 chains in westerly direction; thence 40 chains in land thereby direction; thence 100 chains in land thereby direction; thence 100 chains in land thereby direction; thence 100 chains in land thereby direction, to point of commencement, containing in all 640 acres. pured 6th day of June, 1899. FRANK HIGGINS. uning in all 640 acres

FRANK HIGGINS.

DTICE is hereby given that 30 days after late I intend to apply to the Hon. Chief commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and remove timber from off the following described ract of land, situate in Cassiar listrict. Commencing at a post at the east end of the south shore of the west arm of Lake Bennett, thence westerly along the shore of the ake 100 chains; thence southerly 96 chains; thence casterly 100 chains; thence northerly 96 chains, to place of beginning, and comprising about 1,000 acres.

Bennett Lake, May 17th, 1898.

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DTICE is hereby given that thirty days after date the Omineca Consolidated Hydraulic Mining Company, Limited, will apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described land, situate in Omenica district, B. C.: Commencing at a post about three-quarters of a mile southeast from Manson creek, and about two miles above Black Jack Gulch; thence south magnetically 80 chains; thence east 80 chains; thence north 80 chains; thence west to place of commencement; containing 640 acres. R. T. WILLIAMS, Secretary of the Omenica Consolidated Hydraulic Mining Company, Limited.

Dated the 30th day of May, 1898.

After one of the fastest trips from Wrangon record, the C.P.N. steamer Princess
oulse, Captain Roberts, arrived yesterday
tternoon, bringing news of the big strike
f gold on the shores of Lake Teslin. The
ews at present lacks details, the only reort given being that brought down from
lenora shortly before the departure of
he Princess Louise, saying "that miners
ad found coarse gold on Lake Teslin, the
ravel giving as much at \$300 to the pan."
he news has caused much excitement at
vrangel, Gleaora and Telegraph creek, and
he all probability a stampede will have
aken place to the new placer mines by
ow. Apother item of news brought by
he Princess Louise is to the effect that
he majority of the river steamers are
beened up in the upper Stikine, above the
anyon, unable to get down on account of
he swiftness of the current and the lam
of drift-wood. The only steamers not block
at there when the Louise left were the
Jasco, Romona and Monte Cristo, which
were at Wrangel, the later waiting for her
shaft, and the Romona preparing to come
nown, she not being strong enough to get
the swift running river, and the Skagi
Chief, which is high and dry on the shore
of the Stikine, just below Glemora. The
ressels now blocked above the canyon will
however, be able to get down as soon a
the water falls. Some idea of the awfines
of the current on the Stikine can be glean
ed from the fact that on her hast trip down
the river steamer Victorian made fully 40
miles an hour. A report also comes from
Wrangel of the drowning of a Frenchan
His name was not learned. The Louise, on
her way down, saw the Lakme with
barge, on which were four river steamers
bound north, and the feet of river steamers
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bound north from Seattle to St. Michaels
The barge Skookum, with its heavy deck
load of cattle, hay and produce, was als
spoken. No passengers or freight were
brought down.

The marine insurance rates, which jump After one of the fastest trips from Wrang-

The marine insurance rates, while the dskywards at the commencement of the war, are down again. The rates charge for war risks on British vessels to almost any port are from one-third to one-half percent, over the usual charge, while the charge on vessels flying the Stars and Stripes run from 5 per cent, to 10 per cent, save on vessels going in the vicinity of Cuba, where a higher rate is levied. See's sailing to and from all other points have no difficulty in securing insurance at the rates quoted. e rates quoted.

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HAS CERVERA GIVEN SAMPSON THE SLIP?

It Is Reported That Four Spanish Warships Have Entered the Harbor of Key West.

of defences in the channel leading from the bay, ready to co-coperate; but the land defences proved sufficient to keep the American fleet from attempting to

Said To Be Now Occupied By Philippine Insurgents.

Immense Army Sails From Tampa, Florida, for the Island of Cuba.

McKinley To Ask for Immediate Annexation of Hawaii as a Mik itary Necessity.

Key West, June 9, 10.05 a.m.-There are persistent rumors here, which are credited by some high naval officers. that four Spanish warships have forced

New York, June 9.—A despatch to the in shore, fighting the batteries near the

It is said now to be occupied by the Philippine insurgents, commanded by General Agulio. The rebel junta of Philippine islanders resident here are jubilippine islanders resident here are jubilippine islanders resident here are jubilippine islanders of the Doubland of the Spanish tropos were served that the Spanish shall mounted Quaker that the Spanish had mounted that t World from Hongkong says: A report bas reached here that Manila has fallen.

The same to be occupied by the beach, and did useful work. Militia have a good proof of their value, though they fought with perhaps too much eagerness, thus losing efficiency.

27 regiments, 16 regulars and 11 volunteers, as follows: Of the regular regi-

7th, Indiana, and 3rd, Pennsylvania.

General Shafter is chief in command o fthe force, which will be convoyed by the battleship Indiana and gunboat Helens, with the Bancroft as General Shafter's floating home. The transports are due at Santiago on Friday night or Saturday morning. A landing will be attempted on Saturday, and should be effected with Saturday, and should be ected without difficulty.

The Engagement at Santiago.

Londor, June 9 .- The Madrid corresndent of the Standard says: It is and one the destroyer Furor. Admiral Cervera praises the splendid behavior of the marine brigade that served the guns of the Castillo de la Socapa battery ander a terrible fire for several hours.

The papers are doing their utnost to dispel the unfavorable impression made by the news from Santiago, and they recommend the authorities to give more details and not to keep silent on facts which afterward would leak out through foreign or private advices. Nevertheless, late last night and again this morning ministers and leading officials are very defence of the country interest." and one the destroyer Furor. Admiral Cervera praises the splendid behavior of I cabled to Blaco and Cervera. capied to Blaco and Cervera. easy victory of the Americans to regard the ses despatches say that the Reina the Spanish forces with contempt. If the government now seeks a shameful which mortally wounded her compler, Capt. Accotta. The total numfer, Capt. Accotta. The total numfer casualties on the ship was 39, in, live seamen and 21 marines, in, live seamen and 21 marines, in all licutenant and eleven mended. Most of Hontoria and Kramer had been, before the action, placed

the press despatches, took part in the gallant defence of Morro fort, losing two officers and several men. They also assisted the troops to oppose the Americans in the landing attempted at two places. Captain-General Augusti telegraphed through Hengkong important despatches, which the government has not yet published. It is understood, however, that

he reports he has concentrated the Europeans within the lines at Manila, which has been much strengthened against land attacks. The natives are so divided that the Spanish officials continue to hold many provinces in the Island of Luzon and elsewhere. Captain Annon, minister of marine, will probably go to Cadiz shortly to inspect the reserve fleet under Admiral Camara, and the preparations at the arsenal and on the other vessels.

Monday's Bombardment. London, June 9.—The Morning's Post currespondent cables in part as follows from Kingston, Jamaica, under date of June 8 regarding Monday's bombardment

at Santiago:

11.30 a.m.—The suspicious-looking vessels seen off here are thought to be Spanish warships, which are or have been, attempting to clude the blockading squadron off Havana.

New York, June 9—A Joyn 18.

well known. While the president has not positively announced his purpose to send in this message, the senator who talked with him says the president is very favorable to this plan.

London, June 9.—The Washington correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, with the approval of General Greely, cables the following: The army sailed from Tampa at noon to-day, Wednesday. The force numbers 27,000, composed of infantry, cavalry, artillery engineers and signal corps. The infantry consists of 27 regiments, 16 regulars and 11 voluntees.

the harbor.

"Very little damage was done to the American ships. It is reported that the Swanee was struck by a shell which burst and wounded a seaman in the legalightly. Some of the vessels suffered somewhat by the recoil of the heavy guns. The shells did so mcuh execution that Morro Castle has the appearance of a picturesque ruin. Indeed, the sky line near Morro, from our view-point, is gaps. Vegetation is exterminated and all the buildings are demolished where the shells fell. All the Spanish guns on the sea front, with the exception of the smooth bores at Morro fort, were silenced and many were ruined."

Attitude of Spanish Statesmen. Columbia; 5th, Maryland; 1st, 5th and to immediately adopt the budget and declare the chamber should sit in perman-

The Indiana, and 3rd, Pennsylvania.

The total infantry force is 21,600 men, in addition to the battalion of engineers, a detachment of the signal corps, five squadrons of cavalry, four batteries of light artillery and two batteries of heavy artillery.

General SU 50 and 3rd, Pennsylvania.

Professor Salmeron, Republican leader; Cenor Romero y Robledo, leader of the Weylerite party, and Senor Barrio. Carlist deputy, opposed Senor Sagasta's suggestions. The opposition leaders promised during the sitting of the chamber to make a declaration regarding the

Philippines.

When the chamber was open Senor Sagasta immediately spoke. He said: "The Spanish people ought to receive had news with manly calmness, Since the unforeseen disaster at Cavite, the government has only received three despatches. The first came directly after the destruction of the squadron. It was eported that during the engagement at had arrived and was trying, but without antiago two shells struck the Vizcays do excite the population against the authorities. The third has already been authorities.

defence of the country and not to the defence and leading officials are very ent, although they admitted having lived fresh despatches from Havana Santiago which General Cerrea and ain Aunon had communicated Senor Sagasta before replies cabled to Blaco and Cervera.

Senor Sagasta replied that the "government was not responsible for events in the Philippines, nor the course Admiral Cervera had taken. The government must execute its plans, not reveal them, which would be unpatriotic."

Situation at Santiago.

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On board the Associated Press Dispatch boat Dauntless, off Santiago de Cuba Wednesday night, Jone 8—(via Kingston, Jamaica, June 9.)—Communication between the island of Cuba and cation between the island of Cuba and the outer world was severed yesterday when the Kingston-Jamaica cable was cut. On Monday the Marbiehead, Yankee and St. Louis cut the Haytien cable, running it into Guantanamo bay yesterday, where the end was buoyed, and Rear-Admiral Sampson can now establish direct communication with Washington. The Marbiehead also engaged and drove a small Spanish gunboat into Guantanamo harbor and shelled and reduced the articulated fortifications.

The insurgents and Spaniards fight

The Marblehead, on Monday, when the insurgents had pressed forward west of Santiago, shelled the Spaniards, who fied to the mountains, checkering the path following their retreat with dead and

Santiago de Cuba is on the verge of sfarvation. All food has been seized for the army and navy, and the troops and sailors are on half rations. Rean Admiral Sampson has officially declared that the purpose of the bombardment at Santiago de Cuba was to clear the way for the troops. His object The admiral personally commended Ensign Palmer for approaching within 150 yards of the Spanish batteries at night and learning that the Spaniards were remounting guns.

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declaring that the "nation which would suffer a Sedan in silence could not deserve to figure in history."

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The insurgents co-operated on the land side. The place is being held until the troops arrive. It is contemplated to establish a general base here.

Comunication between the insurgents and the fleet is constant. The Cubans are active, and arms, ammunition and supplies for them were landed by the Swanee yesterday in great quantities.

The insurgents and Spaniards fight

Senor Silvela's Views.

Madr'd, June 9.—Senor Silvela, leader of dissident Conservatives, instructed his organ, El Tempo, to put the following to down.

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"It may be true that neither Europe nor Japan will assist in the establishment of American rule in Occanica, but it certainly a true that the selfish attent on Europe and repeated in thing is extending a man of Europe.

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Senor Silvela defends the Monast'c orders and Jesults, who are making the government pledge itself to make no concession to natives or reformers and continue the theocratic and despotic colonial rule of the last three centuries.

"Sister Mary" Wilberforce, of the British Red Cross Society, arrived in Cuba a year ago. It is asserted that she falled to comply with certain government orders. The orders however, were not enforced then, Miss Wilberforce being allowed to remain in the Island. Charges were recently brought against her and expulsion carried out. Miss Wilberforce was taken on board the steamer by force, though treated with all possible gentleness.

It is reported that El Gallego Guterrillo, the leader, who, since the invasion, made himself notorious by bloody acts, was killed in a skirmish near Cuira, Matanzas province.

Washington, June 9.—The President has in contemplation, according to a water in consultation with time tools are sent respectively west and sast to wante so in consultation with time tools are sent respectively west and sast to wante so in consultation with time tools are sent respectively west and sast to wante so in circulation in the water sent respectively west and sast to wante so in consultation of a special message to the worked any included any inc

They left Manils on May 5. Dr. King is now normal, in spite of the high prices.

Spatia Reserve Fleet.

New York June 2.—A dispatch to the world from Mathid says.

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the men were having breakfast a conference of all the officers was held on the Olympia, when the plans of the second battle were made known by the commo-

Several shots struc kthe Olympia and she was pierced a number of times. Experts have figured out the fighting volume of the guns of the respective sides in the battle was three for the Americans against seven for the Spaniards. It is clear then that the super-deneral Lopex Dominguez believes the inseives, the Americans having the ex-

Gunner Evans, of the Boston, was one of the men who sent the Spanish ships down. He directed the fire of one of the big guns on the cruiser. As such officer he was at all times greatly exposed, but did not receive a shot. Not a man on the Boston received a scratch.
Paymaster Loud, who was on the McCulloch during the battle, was a witness
of events on both sides. From his posi-

tion he could see every movement of the American ships and could also see the battle plans of the Spaniards.

"For two hours," said Mr. Loud, "the steady thunder of cannon was kept up.

The rear was something torrible rogation to Take Place on The roar was something terrible.
"At one time I really thought we would

be heaten. This was after the fire had been kept up for an hour. It looked like every gun on the Spanish ships had turned loose on us altogether, and the shore line was a veritable blaze of fire from the batteries. Tons and tons of shor fell over ships. There was steel enough to have sunk our entire fleet. nast three centuries.

News From Havana.

Havana, June 9.—Yesterday afternoon the British cruiser Talbot sailed from Havana.

On board were Messrs Phil Robinson and H. J. Wigham, the British newspaper correspondents, arrested some time ago at Matanzas. The Talbot also carries Messrs, Edwards and Pinkey, who were expelled from the island on suspicion of being spies.

"Sister Mary" Wilberforce, of the Parties.

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Ottawa, June 9.—Prorogation will take place on Saturday. Sir Wilfrid Laurier suggested that this could be done in the House to-day and Mr. Foster agreed.

The debate then proceeded on the decidence was done.

"We left Maril."

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time Commodore Dewey was in possession of the shore and arsenal. Considsion of the shore and arsemil. Considerable ammunition and guns were captured. Manila on the opposite of the bay, had not been taken, and it was not the purpose of Commodore Dewey to do so at that time. Of course, the city and its suburbs were completely at the mercy of our guns, and we could have laid it in runs in a very short time.

Gibraitar, June 9.—The Spanish battleship Pelayo and three torpedo boats are constantly cruising in the Straits of Gibraitar. The failan cruiser Carlo Alberto has salitian German Cruiser, for Cuban waters.

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German Cruiser, which left Nagasaki, Japan, powerful cruiser, which left Nagasaki, Japan, yesterday for the Philippines. And an artivo of the passenged and two officers and two officers and two officers will carry \$200,000 in Spanish gold. Broad Alfonza pleces are more in circulation in this island than English sovereigns. Propably a million dollars in coin has been accounted with the construction of the Belgic during the train of the Belgic during the train of the Belgic during the train of the Spanish forces in the castern sease are more in circulation in this island than English sovereigns. Propably a million dollars in coin has been accounted with the Commons and the Senate force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships is a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the force on the warships in a very short time, but the more of the city and the troops arise of the city and th

"It has been pretended, says the Revue "It has been pretended, says the Revue Scientifique, "that when ships approach mountains that contain masses of magnetic fron, they experience an attraction that they find it difficult to resist. A proof of this has just been given, and that, too, near the shores of Germany. Ciel of Terre tells us that the well-known isle of Bornholm, situated in the Baltle and belonging to Denmark, acts like a huse magnet. Although the magnetic force of the island is not so great as to draw out the nails from approaching ships, as is told in the old stories of magnetic mountains, nevertheless the attraction possessed by the rocks of the islands has consequences that are often disagreeable for ships that pass near by. agreeable for ships that pass near by, pecially does the island exert such an influence on the magnetic needle of the compass that the course of the ship may be considerably altered by it. This effect is noticeable within a radius of 15 kilometers (9 miles) around the island. The rocky reef situated just beyond Bornholm has similar magnetic proper-ties."—Translated for the Literary Di-

NEW LACING HOOK. A new lacing hook has been designed for shoes, which has an eyelet stamped into the leather, with a hook hinged on one side, which shuts and holds the lace as soon as the latter is drawn tight, all the hooks epening at once when the knot at the top is united.



rogation to Take Place on Saturday.

Debate on the Franchise Bill Engenders Some Criticism

ments. The general opinion here is that the Senate will accept bill as amended by the Commons, because the Conservatives now recognise that the bill is in such a mutilated condition as to make it entirely unworkable. If the Senate

"When it was designed it was to have something to fight with after the big-guns in forward and after turrets had been destroyed. Hence, eight guns in turrets forward and aft were introduced. "The Royal Sovereign class which England built prior to the construction of the Oregon had two 13-inch guns in bar bettes forward and aft, and 10 6-inch rapid firers on each side. Only four of these broadside guns were protected, and if it lost its big guns it would only have

"The run of the Oregon was not more than those who knew the vessel felt sure if would make. It is not the first ship that we have built that has proved its ability to make a trip of such a distance and he in first-class condition upon its arrival, ready for any duty assigned it. At the time of the naval review at At the time of the naval review at Hampton Reads the San Francisco covered a similar run and needed no repairs when it was over, as the engineer's report on file at Washington will show.

"Captain Clark's efficient seamanship is entitled to the highest praise, and every one who knows him believes that if an opportunity offers he and his ship will be as famous as Dewey and the will be as famous as Dewey and the Olympia, or Nelson and the Victory."

SIEGE GUNS FOR CUBA. Taken From Small Ports on the Atlantic Coast.

New York, June 8.—The siege guns that are going to Cuba with the army of invasion have nearly all come from small ports and from many cities of considerable importance.

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The plan of mounting these guns was carried out by General Wilson, chief of engineers, who managed before the war, began to get together a number of converted old rifles and smooth bores and placed them in position for the defences of such ports as Port Royal, Miami, Jupiter Inlet, St. Augustine and several of the smaller towns along the gulf coast.

These guns gave a fair defence, the general says, and would have kept at a distance any light draught ships entering the ports where they are mounted.

Senator Tillman was one of the most persistent advocates of sending the guns to these little coast towns, and succeeded in getting the mouth of the Cape Fear river well protected.

Other southern senators presented strong

Other southern senators presented strong arguments and used such persuasion for defending ports in their states that soon all the siege guns available were mounted on improvised emplacements.

All this was accomplished at considerable outlay of money. Lately orders came to ship every field gun to Tampa and other ports where troops are to embark for Cuba and the work of removing the pieces was begun,

begun,

Senators are new protesting against their removal, but they have been assured that with Cervera at Santlago and the Cadiz fleet too old to cress the ocean, the most exposed port need have no fear from bombardment.

bombardment.

If any of the enemy attack these ports the war officials say the old smooth bores would keep off any ships that would get close enough to shore to operate their wans.