Several important alterations in the provincial cabinet have been made, as the Times announces this evening in another column, and they are such as will meet with the approval of the people. As is well understood the duties devolving upon the head of the Lands and Works Department are probably the most onerous that fall to any minister, and

they require the most constant attention. Premier Semin is no longer in the full flush and prime of life, and the unremitting demands made upon his time and attention in looking after the business of the Lands and Works Department were likely to prove too much for his strength. He has therefore relinquished the portfolio of chief commis sioner of Lands and Works and taken that of provincial secretary, which Hon. Mr. Hume has laid down to give all his attention to the duties of minister of mines. Hon. F. Carter Cotton, Finance Minister, will henceforth undertake the duties of chief commissioner of Lands and Works.

This we believe will be found to be a much better working arrangement. Hon. Mr. Semlin while chief commissioner duties, and it is to be regretted that the the sand would yield \$83 to the ton, and burden of advancing years makes it im- that there was then on that an aver-possible for him to continue his excel- age at least \$7,000,000. Many mining thorough acquaintance with and his long in January last was witnessed by Hal. experience of the land question in Brit. Hoffman of the San Francisco Call, who ish Columbia were of the most eminent, wrote of it as follows: service to the province. In Hon, Mr. The first step in one of the most enservice to the province, In Hon. Mr. Cotton he has a successor whose consproduce the most valuable results. Hon. drained through a 300-foot tunnel last was Dave Evans, of Nanaimo, he having be so disturbed. Old Glory was un-Mr. Hume as minister of mines has a Friday. It was a sight of a lifetime, magnificent field before him, and we The Pande Bason Gold Mining Comare confident he will do it full credit.

THE NEW Q.C's. 1...-

The Times last night announced the appointment by the Lieut. Governor in Council of seven Queen's Counsel, under the authority of the act passed at the late session of the legislature. The names of the lawyers thus honored are: Messrs. Eberts, Taylor and Bodwell, of Davis, of Vancouver; and Mr. McNeill, of Rossland. The appointments are all excellent ones. In future silk gowns and red bags will increase at the rate of two per annum, and if as great discriminaand bearers as has been shown in making the first batch it will be considered by the profession a distinction to be sought after. Under the indiscriminate process of manufacturing Q.C.'s practised by the late Dominion government, it was held to be an honor not to be included.

TISEMENT

Some newspapers, like some individuals, are strong on self-glorification. Our esteemed morning contemporary will

found a few people incredulous enough to believe that the Colonist's article was the effect and not the cause of the discussion that has taken place in transportation circles in regard to the proposal of the government to transport 250 tons of goods to Dawson via St. Michaels. Before our contemporary's article, which it says "aroused men of all shades." was evolved. Ottawa had been communicated and spread itself over the ice of another with in respect to the advisability of small lake below. The great weight alleaving the route to be taken by the contractors, for transportation an open must be crossed on the trail from Sitka question, and Hon. Mr. Sifton had re- to Pande Basin. The ice was thrown plied that all tenders by either route would be considered. Probably Mr. Sifton saw what was coming-in the shape of a Colonist editorial and instantly "took water." The writer who can exposed by the drainage shows gravel "arouse men of all shades" before his articles are printed, possesses an exceptional-and like the hypnotists-a dangerous influence over his fellow men.

The proposal to take supplies to Dawson via St. Michael or via Skagway is all right. What the government is concerned about is not so much the route as the delivery of the goods at their destination, and if they can get a reliable company to carry supplies by either route that is all they need care about. They should not force the supplies to go via St. Michaels if they can be carried via Skagway at less cost and in quicker has scored in securing the withdrawal time, nor should they compel the contractors to use the White Pass route if it is more costly than the longer route by St. Michaels. The tenderers, therefore, should be permitted to carry the freight by either route, and this, we have reason to understand, will be done. The government will be justified in availing itself of the competition that is possible as between the rival routes, which competition would be lost were it to be stippulated that half the supplies must go one way and half the other.

WHEAT IN THE STATES.

Washington, March 11.-Consolidated returns from various crop report agencies of the department of agriculture w the amount of wheat remaining in last year's crops.

Pande Basin

The Sand is Reported to Yield Eighty-Three Dollars-tothe Ton.

Work of Draining the Big Lake.

Juneau, via San Francisco, March 11. leased for five years to F. P. Voorhees, who is said to represent a New York syndicate. The rental is fixed at \$2,-650,000. In Pande Basin is a lake out of which early last January was drained 61 feet of water to make a tunnel in order to leave exposed the gold bearing sand on the beach.

A mining expert named Turner ported, it is said, to the New York synmost ably and faithfully discharged his dicate, represented by Voorhees, that lent work in that department. His men here are incredulous over this deal. The work of draining the Pande Bason

terprising mining operations in Alaska has been taken, and successfully. Gold picuous talents and energy are sure to has been taken, and successfully. Gold ruary 3rd, the chief character in which Lake, in Pande Basin, near Sitka, was pany, organized of San Francisco and New York capital, believing that the bottains, set out more than six months ago to drain it. The lake lies at a considerable elevation, its natural outlet being a Broon, an experienced miner, who has Victoria; Messrs. Martin, Wilson and been around Juneau ten years, was made is 3,000 feet long by 2,000 feet wide and fine physical proportions.

very deep, lying in a valley. Everybody was driven out of the tunnel when the last blasts were fired in a narrow wall of rock separating the uption is shown in selecting the wearers per end of the tunnel from the bettom of the lake. One of the holes did not go THAT TRANSPORTATION ADVER- down in an instant and carried him

the shot, recharging the hole, lighted the friends he decided to try and break with in We arrived in Guam on the 23rd of fuse and retired down the tunnel. All the woman. never be charged with placing its light, even by accident, under a bushel. The charge went off, tore tendency to say "I did it" is a weakness of a singularly inoffensive kind, however, and an indulgence in that peculiar kind of wanity cannot possibly do any more and the water leaped from this time the crowd stood breathless over the charge went off, tore was a right an admirer of the charge to study the ways of the peoperation of the charge to study the ways of the peoperation of a singularly inoffensive kind, however, and an indulgence in that peculiar kind of wanity cannot possibly do any more and the water leaped from the constant of the charge went off, tore was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand they woman was in town, and in the early ple. As far as I can understand a mighty coar and the water leaped from turned the 44-calibre revolver which he had borrowed some weeks ago for a trip of a dynamite gun. The torrent carried everything before it. Huge boulders and to return it. Eddy Dolan, in room 4, the transportation of supplies to the rocks as large as houses were swept Yukon by the Colonist's article has had down the mountain like so many mar- as though to return the revolver. Evans the effect of arousing men of all shades bles. Part of the mountain side was and the woman evidently met at the of politics against it," but there will be washed away, leaving a hole yawning as head of the stairs, for they came to their though some giant Cyclops had taken a room almost immediately, closed the hite out of the earth in his rage

The water fell rapidly, and as the lake was frozen the suction soon brought the a mighty crack, roar and splash. It was like the thunder of cannon. The lake was drained of the immense quantity of water, sixty-one feet deep, 3,000 feet long and 2,000 feet wide. The torren plunged down the ravine of the creek so broke the ice of this lake with a return to Sitka the party drawing and riding in a boat were from 8 o'clock in the evening until 2 o'clock in the morning going the two miles across. The beach pects indicate, it is reported, that the man Broon came over on the last steamer. If the ground around the lake pays \$3 or \$4 to the ton, the outlook is that the enterprise of the company will be rewarded by a good thing.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

The Withdrawal of Protest Against th Railroad Contract a Victory for Lord Salisbury

London, March 11.-Lord Salisbury of the Russian protest to the British railroad contract in China.

The Times thinks Lord Salisbury chieved a considerable success which inst unquestionably strengthen Great Britain's position at Pekin. The paper, however, also sees in the adjustment of dispute a triumph for the pacific statesmanship, and above all a practical expression of the Czar's determination to meet Great Britain half way in the removal of all the regrettable misunderstandings which have hitherto kept Great Britain and Russia apart. The Times adds that it is sure the British government is prepared to give full reognition to accomplished facts in the Northern Chinese province, and to assist Russia in regularizing her position on the basis of reciprocity. This remark of the Times shows that the British now accept the Russification of Manchuria the farmer's hands on March 1 to have as an accomplished fact, and that they been the equivalent of 29.3 per cent, of only expect their government to secure compensation in other directions.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S MESSAGE. How Jonathan Kaiser Anxious That His Telegram to How Jonathan Kipling Should Be Taken As a London, March 12.-The reference to

"our common race" by Emperor William in his message to Mrs, Kipling has attracted great attention here. The Spectator says: "The Emperor is evidently willing to substitute the Teuton for the Anglo-Saxon as the ruling race of the future. He did not venture to call Kipling an American, but being anxious that his telegram should be A Correspondent Describes the taken as a compliment to Americans rather than Englishmen, the German journals received a hint to describe him as an American at heart. It must be a singular experience, even for Kipling, to wake up from a serious illness and find that two great peoples have been interested in his fate, that an emperor has grieved for him in words having The property of the Pande Basin Gold the weight of a political manifesto, and U. S. S. Bennington gives the fol-Placer Co. is reported to have been that his value to publishers has been in- lowing account of the voyage of the creased by hundreds, perhaps by thousands a year."

The Emperor's message was as fol-Berlin, March 5.—Mrs. Rudyard Kiping about three miles long and about ling, Hotel Grenoble: As an enthusiastic one mile wide, and situated in lat. 19 Berlin, March 5 .- Mrs. Rudyard Kinadmirer of the unrivaled books of your deg. 10 min. N. and long. 166 deg. 31. husband, I am most anxious for news min. E. It is a very pretty place, be about his health. God grant that he ing thickly covered with tropical vegmay be spared to you and to all who etation. It is not inhabited, because I are thankful to him for the soul-stirring suppose, there is no water to be obway in which he has sung the deeds of our great common race.—William, I.R.

A DAWSON TRAGEDY. Murder and Suicide in the Klondike Capital-The Old, Old Story.

A copy of the Klondike Nugget murder and suicide at Dawson on Febshot his mistress and then himself. The furled and given permission by the Nugget tells the story of the tragedy as

follows:
A little before 5 o'clock on Friday tom of this lake was covered with rich morning a scream was heard in room No. gold-bearing gravel and decomposed 3. over the Monte Carlo saloon, followed quartz which had dropped into it from by a couple of muffled shots. The occuthe ledges of the surrounding mount pant of the next room hastily donned board, made of American oak, and some clothing and opening the door covered with sheet brass, bearing the tin? Mr. Chamberlain is speaking—the found the dead bodies of a man and a woman upon the floor. The woman is small creek. One of the leading mem- Libby White, a dance girl from the conbers of the company is ex-Surreyor-Gen-eral W. I. Willey, of California. Peter as the Oatley Sisters. The man is Dave Evans, who, at the charity benefit last Sunday evening gave such a neat exhibiforeman of the tunnel scheme. The lake tion of wrestling, and who exhibited such

> Evans is a man of about 28 or 30 years of age, originally from Swansea, Wales -a man who has worked hard all his

The woman was nearly 45 years old and her maiden name was Newmeyer. off, and thinking that enough of the rock | She married a man named White in Colhad been torn away to release the wa- orado years ago. Evans came in a year ters, Broon waited patiently for several ago last June, while the woman came in hours expecting the break to occur at this summer. He acquired some good any moment. A crowd of Sitka specta- properties at various times and has sold were present. Becoming weary of at good prices and spent his money liband impatient at the delay, Broon enter: erally. About two months ago he picked ed the mouth of the tunnel to see what up with the woman and went to living the matter was. In doing this he faced with her. They acquired property todeath, for the torrent might have swept gether and were contemplating a trip ovet the ice. 'The woman's promiscuous away.

Broon found that the charge in the hole, as he anticipated, had been damp from seepage. He deliberately took out

up the creeks. friend advised him heard the angry man step from his room

door, and then a quarrel commenced, Suddenly there was a scream from the weman, followed by a shot and all ice down into the dropping waters with was silent. Then came another shot, and then silence. Dolan knocked on the partition, and asked what was the matter. No answer. Putting on his clothes, he went round to the room door and went in. The woman was lying dressed, on her face, with her head in the water bucket, and with blood oozing from a wound in the back of her head. The man was sitting upright on the second reverberating crash. This lake floor in a cramped position, with his crossed feet against the washstand and his head thrown backward over the bed. into such confused masses that on the A wound just back of the right and left temple showed how death had occurred Neither had moved since being shot, and death was instantaneous in both cases. Constable McPhail was soon on the spot, and immediately afterwards Canand decomposed quartz. Surface pros- tain Starnes appeared. An examination then and there proved conclusively ground will go about \$35 to the ton, that it was a case of murder and suicide, though this is not correborated. Fore- and showed that it would be unnecessary to secure a coroner's jury to demonstrate it, so that was dispensed with.

From the bullet and powder marks on the walls it is judged that the man held her with one arm close to the side of the room and drew the revolver with his right hand. She screamed and struggled. She must have turned in his arms and also sunk downward for the bullet entered the back of the skull, ranged diagonally downward, breaking the spinal column causing instantaneous death. When he dropped her she fell face downward as described. The murderer must have then either stood up or sat on the bed for the bullet through his own skull to have marked the wall at the height

it did. Evans and the woman owned a piece of Bear creek property together which he had decided to work. The woman's conduct the night before the tragedy had and conciliatory elements of Russian caused him to again change his mind and to resolve upon his former plan of going out on the 12th with his friend, Edd Dolan-but without the woman. The quarrel with the woman fermented his jeulous rage beyond the point of endur ance with the result as described.

A DESTRUCTIVE STORM

Oklahoma City, I. T., March 11,-A terrific wind storm visited this place today coming from the southwest. For half an hour it blew a perfect gale while the rain fell in sheets, Nearly 100 lost

Took Guam

An Officer of the United States Navy Tells the Story of the Occupation.

Natives: Pleased With the New State of Affairs on the Island.

A letter received from an officer of the gunboat to Guam and the occupation of that place. The officer says: Wake Island itself is very small, be-

tained upon this island. It is very low, being only eight feet above the sea. The surf, in fact, breaks nearly over it. And that is the kind of a place over which we hoisted the old flag. The flag raising ceremonies were performed by the captain, and were of a very impressive nature. He called all salute of twenty-one guns. From their Not including oranges and demons, of composcreeching the sea birds no doubt ?Full returns of British imports from Can-revision. thought it was a very strange thing to authority of the United States to reign supreme over the little spot. We not only hoisted the flag there, but for safety we nailed it upon the flag staff conversation was overheard by Tom live on the co-operative plan. They which we erected for it. At the bottom Swallwell, of Toronto, and by him replies for three shillings a week and of the pole was a large inscription ported to the press: board, made of American oak, and "Hello! Hello! Is that you, Mr. Marfollowing inscription:

United States of America,
William McKinley, President.
John D. Long, Secretary of the
Navy.
Commander Edward D. Taussig, U. S.
Navy.
Commanding the U. S. S. Bennington.
This 17th day of January, 1899, took
Possession of the Atoli, Known as
Wake Island,
For the United States of
America.

The above inscription is written line for line. The size of the plate was nineteen inches wide by twelve and a half inches high. It was fastened securely to the foot of the pole.

After the ceremonies were over the men were allowed to explore the island, but nothing of any importance could be found. Such is the place Uncle Sam has taken for the purpose of establishing a cable station. At about 5 o'clock in the evening the party returned to the ship and we then shaped our course

January, so I have not had much Spaniola, it is viva Americano, The island very fertile, and

coffee, sugar and tobacco thrive if properly cultivated. There is abundance of fruit such as grows in tropical climates. There are no white people except a few Spaniards. Mexican money is used, two of their dollars being equal to one of ours. Our duty down here, of course, is to survey the harbor, but we also have full control of the island. Our captain is the governor. He makes the laws as he sees fit. The taxes are collected by the paymaster, and an officer from the ship is chief of police. The other day the natives killed four steers and Spaniards taxed them one dollar apiece. They reported it to the captain

had to return the money. The natives were very jubilant. CANADIAN BREVITIES.

and he made them give it back. They

could not understand it, but of course,

Winnipeg, March 12,-Commissione McCreary was yesterday presented with an address from the Doukhobors convering their gratitude for the kind manner which they have been treated by himself and all officials since their arrival in this country.

F. S. Douglas, assistant accountant in the Bank of Commerce, died of pneumonia yesterday. Deceased came from Toronto a few weeks ago. Huntingdon, Ont., March 11.-Rev. B, Muir, D.D., died from pneumonia aged 65

Kincardine, Ont., March 12-The death

took place yesterday of Rev. Andrew

Curningham, pastor of the Methodist church here. Port Arthur, March 12 .- Prevost, who sentenced to be hanged on the 17th, on Friday attacked a jailer and made his escape to the kitchen. There was a violent struggle before he would return to his cell.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Marysville, Cal., March 10.-The Marysville woollen mills have damaged to the extent of \$150,000 by fire. The insurance amounts to \$71,400. During the progress of the flames Frank Peck, of Youba City, a well-known bicycle rider, entered the building and was overcome by smoke and burned to death. burned mill was probably the oldest of its kind in the state, having operated continuiusly since 1867. It employs 75 hands and was capitalized at \$200, 000.

PLAY FOR MISS NETHERSOLE. ---

St. Louis, Mo., March 11.-Louis Netn ersole closed a deal to-day with Clyde Fitch for a new play for his sister, Olga Nethersole. It is to be delivered on July houses were blown down. The damage 15, and will be presented next October is stimated at \$500,000. No lives were in Buffalo, where Miss Nethersole wii open her next season.

EXTENT OF THE BRITISH MARKET The Brit'sh are good customers for food products. As I have already pointed out they are discriminating buyers. For the

best qualities of all kinds of foods in the pink of fine condition, there is usually a steady demand at relatively high prices. And for the same kinds of foods of an inferior quality, and out of condition, the prices are ruinously low, and even at them the demand is uncertain.

The following statement shows the demand in Great Britain for such food products as Canada can supply of fine quality. and eyer increasing quantity.

Table showing the values of some food products imported by Great Br'tain, and which originally are not claimed to be the quantity thereof imported from Can-ada, for the years ended 31st December, sold 4n Great Britain in 1897, for pro-1895, 1896 and 1897, respectively;

Articles.	Value. in 1895.	Value. in 1896.	Values in ??1897.	Imports from Canada.		
				1895.	1896.	1897.
Wheat, barley, oats	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
flour, &c	241,986,692	256,960,404	260,754,759	7,335,599	14,911,342	?
food pressed meats heese sutter ggs.s chart (raw) ard dlik, condensed or	43,635,759 114,109,534 22,752,299 69,326,786 19,483,437 14,495,226 23,680,290 14,317,446	118,505,552 23,848,329 74,675,905 20,365,326 15,637,003 *15,429,065	130,548,282 28,647,857 77,462,300 21,203,088 16,645,547 *16,702,746	4,608,904 14,220,505 536,797 524,577 2,974,850	8,438,094 5,841,275 12,601,265 1,653,421 870,798 3,159,907 3,145,141 673,571	. 9
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Totals	577,699,521	600,812,026	633,252,283	40,076,529	51,325,318	?

"THE TWO JOES."

ada, for 1897, were not obtainable at date

Thee following interesting telephonic

Hon, Joseph Chamberlain. Say, what are you people over there in British Cotumbia doing? This provincial labor law of yours excluding Japanese and Chinese of yours excluding Japanese and Chinese is all wrong and must be repealed, you Why, my dear sir, if this thing goes on know.'

"Oh, is that you, Mr. Chamberlain? I'm glad to hear from you. This labor law is all right, my honorable friend. The Legislature of British Columbia has been for years past legislating for a few monopolists by providing them with monthly shipments of Japs and Chinamen and driving the English-speaking people out of the country. We think we know as much about the requirements of this country as you people, who are 6,000 miles away."

"But, look here, Mr. Martin, the Japanese and Chinese ministers to Great Britain are raising no end of a row about | this affair. They threaten us with all sorts of dreadful things if we don't have this act repealed. Besides, we wish to keep on the most friendly terms with for the Ladrones. As Wake Island was Japan and China just now, on account of the complicated state of affairs in the Far East, don't you know." "Yes, yes, my honorable friend. We

understand the position perfectly. Why don't they raise a row in Washington? The United States government prohibited them years ago, yet they continue to do business with Japan and China he same were dumined down every mouth in the businers with Japan and China the same as even. Project and you are allowing the heathen Chines to guy you people in London. This province has been the Covent Garden Market was run entire dou. This province has been the dumping ground for Oriental paupers for a long time. Now we want to give the Anglo-Saxon people, who will settle upon our lands dorsdor the state of the control of the con on our lands, develop the country and become citizens-we want to give Englishspeaking people a chance. We think we

know what this country wants." you really don't understand what a very past, but this government don't propose serious matter this is. Here we are try that the country shall be ruined and ing to cultivate the most friendly rela- sacrificed for the benefit of a horde of tions with Japan, and you are trying to foreigners who will never become citi undo all our work in this direction. It's a very serious affair with us. Don't you think it would be wise to allow the Do- a fair day's wages for a fair day's work. minion government to handle this matter? It's far too serious a matter for a provincial parliament to deal with, don't you know.

"Pardon me, my honorable friend, but we who are doing business on the premises are likely to know what the people



In Love's Flower Garden there is the lown rose of married happiness and the holy perfume of joyous mocherhood for every woman who takes proper care of her health in a womanly way. For the weak, sickly, nervous, despondent woman, who suffers untold miseries in silence from weakness and disease of the delicate organs concerned in wifehood and motherhood, there are only thorns, and to her the per-fume of motherhood is the aroma of death. No woman is fitted for the responsibili-ties of wifehood and the duties of motherwoman may be strong and healthy in a womanly way, if she will. It lies with her self. She needs, in the first place, a little knowledge of the reproductive physiology of women. This she can obtain by securing and reading a copy of Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser. It contains 1008 pages and over 300 illustrations. It tells all about all the ordinary ills of life, and how to treat them. Several chapters and illustrations are devoted to the physical make-up of women. It tells how to treat all the diseases peculiar to women. It gives the names, addresses, photographs and experiences of hundreds of won have been snatched from the verge of the

grave to live happy, healthy lives by Dr.

Pierce's medicines. This book she can obtain free. It used to cost \$1.50, and over seven hundred thousand copies were pur-

million women now own copies. For a pa-per-covered copy send 31 one-cent stamps, to cover cost of customs and mailing only,

to World's Dispensary Medical Associa-tion, Buffalo, N. Y. For cloth binding, send so one-cent stamps.

chased by women at that price.

of this country want better than either Ottawa or London. These people ar arriving here monthly in shiploads. The live for three shillings a week and ca work for two shillings a day and say money, which all goes back to the Orient. A white laborer with a family occupies a dwelling, clothes, feeds and educates his family and becomes a citizen. I ask you is it British fair play to compel this English-speaking workingman wil be driven out of the ountry. We are endeavoring to protect your own countrymen, and Canadians provide work, so that they may come here and become

These figures of the value of imports welve classes of food products show the

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citizens of the richest corner of the Bri ish Empire. No, do you see the point? "I understand what you say, but this is a great international question. It affects Great Britain and endangers our friendly relations with four hundred millions of people. This affair of yours is merely a bagatelle, a county council matter, so to speak, but it is causing great annoyance to our friends in China and

Japan.

"That is all right, my dear sir. Our gracious Queen has no more loyal subjects than the citizens of British Columbia, and this government is trying to legislate for the welfare and protection of the people. Here we are with a population of less than 125,000, and those Oriental friends of yours are flooding the country. They can work and ii where our countrymen starve. Now But in London there would be such and Commons would have to make fo the continent to save their lives Our "But, my dear Mr. Martin, I'm afraid | people have been very patriotic for years zens. We intend this to be a great cour try, where every Anglo-Saxon shall eart But the fight has been an unequal one A wooden cot and a pair of blankets is all a Chinaman or Jap requires. They have neither wife nor family to support They are no use to the community. you leave this matter to us."

"Well, really, Mr. Martin, you have out this matter in an entirely new light. I am glad I called you up, and will take heed of what you say. Goodbye.

A DIVER'S DEATH.

New York, March 10 .- Thos. Donaldon, the diver who fractured his skull in dive to the tank at Madison Square Garden on Wednesday, died at the New York hospital early to-day.

POLICE SUPPLY TENDERS

Ottawa, March 11.-The Mounted Po ice department has issued notices dated yesterday stating that tenders for transportation from Victoria to Dawson via St. Michaels of 250 tons of Canadian government stores to leave Victoria not ater than 3rd June and delivered at Dawson not later than 1st August, will be considered by the White Pass route well as via St. Michaels. This change s on account of representations from the coast that freight is cheaper by the way of the White Pass route.

A CITY IN FLAMES.

St. Louis, Mo., March 11.-A special the Post-Despatch says Mountain Grove, a town on the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis railroad, 68 miles southeast of Springfield, is burning and that the business portion is doomed.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY

This remedy is intended especially for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough and influenza. It has become famous for its cures of these diseases, over a large part of the civilized world. The most flattering testimonials have been received, giving accounts of its good works; of the aggravating and persistent coughs it has cured: of severe colds that have yielded promptly to its soothing effects. and of the dangerous attacks of croup it has cured, often saving the life of the child. The extensive use of it for whooping cough has shown that it robs that disease of all dangerous consequences. For sale by Langley & Henderson Bros., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

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The City of Pasig Ca an Hours Engag tives Lose Ho

Manila, March 13, 11.1 light to-day Brigadier-Wheaton's divisional br ing of the 20th United the 22nd infantry, eighthe Washington voluntee panies of the Oregan troops of the Fourth cavalry and a mounted Sixth Artillery was draw behind San Peder Maca the town.

The advance was sound the cavalry leading the smart trot across the or eventually reaching a ing the rear of Guadalu Supported by the Orego force opened a heavy fi The response was feebl apparently coming from men in every covert. While the right colum towards the town of Pas vanced, pouring volleys A small body of rebels i ed stand at Guadalope enemy was unable to

At 7.30 a river gunbe wards Pasig. The rebel countered by this vessel near Guadalope. Steam gunboat poured a gatling guns into the bri the whirring of the rap ternated with the bo er pieces on board. the meanwhile ashore was shelling the driving the enemy back. then advanced to the r and drove a few of the shooters away with voll carbines. The artillery further and met with li The infantry had been

in extended order, the W ment on the bank of the ment deploying on reach and furnishing its own s The entire column the wards the river, driving ward their supports, and

on Guadalupe. The arti a ridge commanding Pa By this time the enem flight along the line over and the firing was discon arily in order to give the before making the attack The enemies loss is be

vere, but only eight An At this stage of the enga raining heavily. Capture of Pa Manila, March 13, 4.50 Wheaton attacked and car of Pasig, east of Manila The enemy made a sta

to retreat. The loss of Filipinos w Of the United States f

wounded. The Advance on Manila, March 13, 7:15 short rest General Wheat attack on Pasig. Scott's ported by two companies Regiment, advanced on G the road along the river. mainder of the 20th Regime Regiment following with t the Oregon volunteers. At 11:30 a.m. the col

contact with the enemy an

steamed to the firing line the jungle on both sides, tery took up a position on Thefirst shot from the Ar pieces at 1,200 yards ran a gun of the enemy at Pasi After the town had been 20th Regiment lined up on the 22nd took up a po of the place with the ca

centre, whereupon the en to the town. The gunboat then moved opposite and a hot fire on th tion was maintained along th erican line until 2:20 p.m. ations were made for the att At 3 p.m. our gunboat sta suit of the enemy's armed

r to the lake. At 3:30 p.m. a large boo enemy was discovered work our right flank, and the 20 was moved to command the rebels were met opposite Pal

enemy bolted. Thirty of the rebels were already cabled, sixteen were prisoners. The Americans lost six m

The whole of the Americ ouaced at 5 o'clock. Abou are reported to be marching The Spanish gunboats El C Raragua, Pampanga, Albay. Ordanota, Gordugue, Panac Mindoro and Marveles, lyi boanga, island of Mindans sold here to Francisco Reyes Mexican dollars. They will resold to the highest bidder. be transformed into merch

The Spanish Prison London, March 13.-It from Manila that General lered the discontinuance of between the Spanish Genera Aguinaldo for the release prisoners on a payment of demnity, as such payme strengthen the Filipino caus ishing the insurgents treasu

"Joint Civilizens of the New York, March 13.-A the Herald from Malta uncheon given at the Uni British navy and army officers of the Twelfth and