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THE VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST MONDAY, SEPTEMBEB 25 1899

Deceived By British.

Offensive Reference to Diplomatic Agent by President of Orange Free State.

Milner Tells That Republic Its **Duty-Afrikanders Advise** Submission.

Boers Making Display of Their Forces But Not Likely to Fight.

By Associated Press. Bloemfontein, Orange Free State. with a full attendance. President M. Steyn read a carefully prepared speech. After welcoming the burghers, he expressed regret that the relations between the Transpared Great Britain and Transpared Great Britain and Transpared Grea the Transvaal, Great Britain and the

Greene, and he practically accused the Imperial government of a breach of faith. He was disinclined to advise the Transvaal government on the latest British demands. The present critical state of affairs could not be a matter of indifference to the Orange Free State, and he had therefore convened the volksraad to decide what attitude should be

Therefore, ministers are disinclined to onvoke parliament. On the other hand, so large an expenditure as the apparatuse of the apparatuse

ernment. I will submit your Excellency's telegram to the volksraad early."

He also says his government would view with deep regret any disturbances of those friendly relations which have always existed between Great Britain and the Orange Free State.

Afrikanders' Good Advice. Capetown, Sept. 20.—(Delayed in transmission)—At a meeting of Afrikander members of parliament to-day Mr. Neethling presented the following telegram despatched to President Kruger: "We, Afrikander members of parliament, thoroughly sympathize with our Afrikander relatives in their troubles. While appreciating the concessions already made in the interests of peace, we beg to urge the expediency of doing the utmost, short of sacrificing independence, to avert the horrors of war. While agreeing that the joint inquiry proposed by Chamberlain cannot be asked as a matter of right, we believe such a commission would pro-Capetown, Sept. 20.—(Delayed in trans

vide a way out of the diffulties, which are fast approaching a crisis with results which might prove fatal, not only to Transvaal and our Free State brethren, but also to the Afrikander party of Cape Colony. In the presence of immediate danger and the momentous issues awaiting the decision of your Honor, the executive and valversed are not considered by the command of the French Commissioner. Stept. 21.—The wolksraad met to-day, the risk of being misunderstood, which is

This message, which is signed by thirty-five members of parliament, received the following reply from President Kruger at Bloemfontein, when President Kruger and proposals which, although refused by the British High Commissioner, were mannimously considered throughout the Orange Free State as exceedingly fair.

Proceeding to review the negotiations, President Steyn said the Transvaal had been deceived by the British diplomatic agent at Pretoria, Mr. Conyngham Greene, and he practically accused the Imperial government of a presch of the manner in which, you have aided our efforts for a pacific and satisfactory solution. Finally, 1 express hope that your work and ours will not be fruitless."

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Believe Kruger Won't Fight. President, "that warrants war or an attack on the part of the Transvaal. Such differences can be solved by arbitration. War would be an insult to religion and civilization."

London, Sept. 21.—Those who claim that the Transvaal situation has not passed the Rubicon of pacific negotiations see in Kruger's answer to the Afrikanders a genuine desire to avoid hostilities. The report that he personally to have been sent into the Klondike by In conclusion, President Steyn said he would take this opportunity to lay certain grant laws before the volksraad, praying God to give the members strength to pass resolutions not only entitle to the AI- stopped a consignment of liquor alleged to have been sent into the Klondike by a trading company of which Sir Charles is chairman.

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ANDREE PASSED THE POLE. Buoy Found by Norwegian Captain

Message of His Succes Stockholm, Sept. 21-Dr. Ekholm, Pro Stockholm, Sept. 21—Dr. Ekholm, Professor Nathorst and Capt. Andree believe that the buoy marked "Andree polar expedition" found on September 9 on the north coast of King Charles island by the master of the Norwegian cutter Martha Laraska, was one of those which the aeronaut intended to throw after the north pole was passed.

FRANCO GERMAN AMITY.

Joint Expedition in Africa Despatching Natives With Great Cordiality.

Paris, Sept. 21.—The Governor of Da omey cables that the Franco-German numission which is deciding the Togo

Sold by German Sergeant Now a Fugi-

tive From His Country's Wrath. Berlin, Sept. 22.—Col. Von Langel-mantel, commander of the Munich Mili-tary Academy, has been removed from his position for having forbidden the cadets to cheer for Emperor William. It is officially admitted that the arm mobilization plans stolen by Sergeant Schlozer, in Wurtzburg, Bavaria, have been sold to France. Schlozer is a fugi-

WAS DECEIVED.

Declares Sir Charles Tupper **Completely Vindicated From** Malicious Charge.

Special to the Colonist.

Montreal, Sept. 22.—Sir Charles Tup to the charge that he was prejudiced

Worse Earthquake

Skagway Scared on Friday Last by Most Severe Shocks of Series.

Huge Depression in Earth Haynes Mission-Glaciers in Fragments.

aster to Come-- Reports From Yukon Points.

From Our Own Correspondent. Vancouver, Sept. 22.—The steame Cutch arrived at Vancouver from Skagway to-day, with 88 passengers from

Atlin and Dawson.

E. Stronberg, P. Coulsen, John Kelleher and E. V. Miller, of Seattle, and a dozen others gave their experience of the third shock of earthquake, which was the two progress. Almighty. And they had to stay. At 8 o'clock on Friday night last a gentle, swaying motion started, and was

ence of Friday's quake, which suggests that the residents were in somewhat of a panicky state. Men rushed through the streets, crying: "World's coming to an end." Everything was swaying, Several men sitting in saloons fancied each one that he was drunk, and that it was their brains and not the room which was swaying. In comparing notes subsequently, each one said he thought he was drunk, and looked at the others to see if they were looking queer at him.

curred at intervals several times.

People in Skagway are really alarmed,

traders stores. The vilinge is headquarters for miners prospecting in that section of Alaska, and up the Alsek river. Around the point of Ocean cape, at the entrance of Yakutat bay, is an island named Kanak. This island sank 20 feet into the sea. At high tide only the tops of the trees are visible. Huge fissures opened in the earth of the mainfand, and steam is said to have poured forth. opened in the earth of the mainland, and steam is said to have poured forth. Some of these fissures were 3 feet across. Captain Johansen says that in 2 minutes the ocean rose 20 feet above high-tide mark, and almost as quickly subsided. The natives took to the high ground in terror, and fell on their knees, beseeching the Great Father to save them and their villages. This sudden high water caught up all manner of driftwood, logs, lumber, canoes, etc., and then raced back and forth and across the bay, carried by strong currents which swept in every direction.

district. The Pavinon, where the mean state of state originated, was a large stable, with an amphitheatre where exhibitions of thoroughpred and sales and fancy stock were held. It fas valued at \$150,000, and is largest hotel in the district, was damback to the extent of \$25,000.

MONTEJO PUNISHED.

Retired Without Right of Promotion For His III Luck at Manila.

Madrid, Sept. 21.—Rear-Admiral Montejo, who commanded the Spanish naval

When the Dora arrived at Yakutat a few days ago, the Indians had deserted their houses near the beach, and were living in tents on the high grounds. They were still in great alarm. It was nicknamed "Shivering Hill." At least 30 Yakutat Indians are now in Juneau, having deserted their homes and all their property in seeking safety in flight. A good story is told on the two Swedish missionaries at Yakutat, Rev. Johnson and Rev. Hendrickson. They wanted to fly away, too, but the Indians would not let them go. The natives told them that the Maker of heaven and earth had his back up and was angry with them, a and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay with them and "skookum wah-wah" and they wanted the missionaries to stay wanted to stay want

TERRIFIC UPHEAVAL. Seattle, Sept. 21. Officers and passen kept up nearly two minutes. Those who watched the electric light were the best judges of the measurement of the earth-quake, which was estimated at 18 inches; that is, when the lateral movement was severest Skagway was rocked back and forth a foot and a half. Strange to say, little damage was done, possibly a long, narrow strip of land extending and forth a foot and a half. Strange to say, little damage was done, possibly owing to the buildings being all wood.

At Haynes Mission, however, the earth was grooved many feet deep, as if with a huge plow, while Takh Harbor, as the vessel passed, was jammed with broken icebergs extremely difficult to get through, the earthquake having splintered them into huge masses.

The wharves around Skagway and Dyea were also somewhat damaged. Passengers cited their personal experience of Friday's quake, which suggests that the residents were in somewhat of the waters between Yakutat and Juneau, formerly of safe depth, no longer navigable for deep draught steams that the residents were in somewhat of the waters between Yakutat and Juneau, formerly of safe depth, no longer navigable for deep draught steams that the residents were in somewhat of the waters between Yakutat and Juneau, formerly of safe depth, no longer navigable for deep draught steams the same that the terminus of a long, narrow strip of land extending into Yakutat Bay, the Indians and Russians maintained a burying ground. This has disappeared, being marked only by a Catholic cross which rises scarcely above the water's surface at high tide. And while the islands and mainland have settled from 20 to 40 feet, the seabed appears to have been forced up a corresponding height, rendering portions of the waters between Yakutat and Juneau, formerly of safe depth, no longer navigable for deep draught steams. ships. This was particularly noticeable to Capt. Johansen, master of the Dora In places where the water previous to the earthquake registered a depth of 40 and 50 feet, the Dora on her last voyage from Yakutat all but dragged bottom The upheaval of the sea bed appears to

have been greater than the depression of the mainland.

STOCK YARDS FIRE.

A NEW CUNARDER.

BANK CLERK SUICIDES.

Lost His Position in Montreal and Gave Way to Despair. Sing Sing, N. Y., Sept. 21.—George Crevassa, 45 years of age, formerly of Goderich, Ont., hanged himself in a room he occupied in St. John's school last night. He was formerly a book-keeper in Molson's Bank in Montreal, but lost his position six months ago and went to New York to try to obtain work. He was a married man.

YUKON LIQUOR PERMITS. From the Winnipeg Telegram. The Tribune thinks that, in view of The Tribune thinks that, in view of the scandals which have lately occurred in connection with the issue of liquor permits by Commissioner Oglivie, the Government have done well to reserve the issue of permits to Mr. Sifton It may be doubted whether this will improve matters. Mr. Oglivie has evidently only been the tool of Mr. Sifton in issuing permits to people with a pull. When the Northwest Territorial Government had the right to is sue permits, Mr. Sifton assumed to order it to issue permits to people he nominated; and Mr. Oglivie has, no doubt, been the reci-

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**Reported they will never return, interpreting the earthquake as a manifestation of God's which which cas on ty but at batch lasted direction in the Prince William Sound country, was a passenger on the Dora. He says that at Kayak, which is about 175 miles west that the tops of several mountains were that the tops of several mountains were their base. This is a sandstone range, and chinking two or describe like a noise ocsal alarmed, are going ar the reast would at the reason of the property of the p

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Medicine

Militia Department Orders Purchase of Drugs From Party Favorites Only.

Dominion Creek Claims Allotted at Prices That Discount Prospecting.

who has been on trial before the Suprem Supreme court, has been condemned to New Office--Another Quebecer Rewarded.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Sept. 22.—The extent to which he spoils system is being carried by the present government is evidenced by a militia order issued to-day, which states that district officers commanding are to invite tenders for all drugs and surgical necessaries when required for the use of militia from those firms whose names are on the selected tradesmen London, Sept. 21.—The new Cunard Line steamship Ivernia, for the Liverpool-Boston service, was 'a named on the Type to-day in the presence of 20,000 people. She was christealed by the Countess of Ravensworth.

combined marching and firing competitions in all the leading cities.

Great Water Power. A syndicate composed of two American capitalists and a number of Ottawa gentlemen has secured Chats Falls, on the Ottawa river, 35 miles above this-city, on behalf of the Pontiac Mining Company. It is said that 6800 horse-power can be developed at this point.

Dominion Creek Claims. The interior department realizes \$18,050 out of Dominion creek claims. The highest amount received for any one claim was \$2,000; the lowest, \$5. Yukon Offices.

D. C. Fraser's name is mentioned prop inently in connection with the new Yu-kon judgeship.

J. L. Bell, barrister, of Quebec, has been appointed assistant gold commis-sioner for Yukon.

SUPPORTING PONTON'S ALIBI.

Four Witnesses Say He Was With Them When Alleged to Have

Arranged Robbery. Cobourg, Sept. 22.—(Special)—Counsel for the defence in the Ponton case to-day. continued his presentation of alibi evidence, and called G. B. Macaulay, Mrs. Macaulay, Miss Lulu Dayey and Miss Jessie Maclean, all of whom testified in support of the evidence of Miss Newberry to the effect that Ponton was at the house of Mrs. Davey in Belleville from 8 to 11 o'clock on the night of from 8 to 11 o'clock on The crown contends that on this night Ponton met Holden in the Dominion hotel, Belleville. Ponton gave evidence

in his own behalf this afternoon.

ADD TO HIS TROUBLES Other Creditors of Defaulting Galt School Teacher Have Him

Again Arrested. Galt, Sept. 22.-A, F. W. Falconer, late principal of Victoria school, and who has been on bail since Saturday last in connection with charges of embezzlement of money said to have been entrusted to him as agent of the Dominion Building & Loan Association,