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NEXT ENERAL ELECTION

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on, June 19 .- . Mr. Joseph Chamecretary of state for the colo ldressing a meeting of the 's Liberal-Unionist Association noon, said the colonies had seen the haze of the South African lium negotiations, when Sir Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal in the House of Commons, and were mystified. Now that the is concluding, he added, all were as concluding, he added, all were nous that, whatever the final nent might be, it must be final, and not leave behind it the seeds of r mischief and make a further ion of the trouble possible. opposition wanted to know when ral election would be called. He nable to gratify their natural envi-

ble to gratify their natural curi ut whether the election took place ow or was postponed indefinitely, be one of the most momentous d to the people of the United a during a century, involving the of the future of South Africa

future of the Empire. ring to continental criticism, Mr. erlain, after remarking that Engways expected this, went on to

there are quarters whence even of disapproval would be a matter ious concern. I refer to our colo-nd the United States. I think we appy in that we have their good

ppy in that we have then good is true this good opinion of the States is not unmixed with other ents. I will not now enter upon uses, partly political and partly ental, which have led certain cans to sympathize with what they republic, although its whole exist-id whole practice has been one nd whole practice has been one ectual denial of the principles upon their great republic is founded. I the great majority of the Amerithat our aims in this war d unselfish as those which high and unse I themselves in the Spanish-n struggle. They fought then ce and liberty, not for their own indeed, but for those whom

E MINES ARE OVER-RATED the army doctor at Nome and was brought back and placed in the hospital a Vancouver. On May 15 Cape Romanoff was pass-ed, and again the ice-pack was fallen in with. All day the steamer steamed along the ice, looking for an opening, and night saw her but 25 miles nearer Nome. Next is was clear of the pack and pushed alowy ly on, but on the day following she, too. The was found that be had from the dump of two beach miners at Nome. The sand stolen two beach miners at Nome. The sand stolen four the vas found was found what he had stolen four accused confessed. STEAMERS REACH NOME. The Whaler Alexander the First of the Fleet—Alpha Close Behind. Comprehensive States CAPE NOME MINES

Steamer Alpha After Hair Breath Escapes From Arctic Ice, Brings News of the Far North Gold Fields.

With the completion of her trip from Cape Nome, the steamer Alpha marks an epoch in local marine history-for never before has an iron steamer of her build attempted such a feat-difficult as it was dangerous as she has performed. She brings the first news from Cape Nome and gives to a waiting world the real state of affairs at that much overboomed gold field. She has news of gold finds, rich, poor and indifferent, of nurders and shooting scrapes.

VICTORIA SEMI-WEEKLY COLONIST FRIDAY, JUNE 22 1908

A number of the Alpha's crew deserted at

nette, held in the ice. The Alpha, though, was clear of the pack and pushed slow-ly on, but on the day following she, too, was surrounded by the detached ice and made fast to the floe. It was 2 a.m. on the 18th before the steamer was out of the pack. She saw the whalers Jeanie and Alexandria, which reached Nome two days before her, in the ice as she cleared it The steam whaler Alexander was surrounded by the detached ice and is fast to the floe. It was 2 a.m. is 18th before the steamer was out he pack. She saw the whalers le and Alexandria, which reached is two days before her, in the ice as leared it. ray to the eastward there seemed to chimmering channel of green in the illating ice, and to the eastward the ner bore. Again the impassable ice vened and her lines were made FAST TOO A BEEG. The steam whaler Alexander was the diggings. She dropped anchor of Nome days before her, in the ice as the steamer Alpha, fity-two days out from vancouver also arrived at Nome with 175 of freight. On the 29th, the whaler Thrasher of San Francisco arrived with 215 passengers. A number of the Alpha's crew deserted at she cleated it Away to the eastward there seemed to

FAST TO A BERG.

A number of the Alpha's crew deserted at Cape Nome. The mate, Bmll Rawlose, left to take command of a scow at the wages of \$2 per hour; H. G. Phillips, the steward, left to take a position as bar-tender and C. R. Phillips was appointed in his stead. Several of the sailors also left the steamer. At noon she steamed sixteen miles north, but the heavy fields of the eternal ice began to close in and she had to wing back southward to the open sea. All day May 20 and 21 she remained

All day May 20 and 21 she remained fast, moored to the pack, and at noon on the 22nd a lead was sighted, and the steamer bore westward to St. Lawrence Island, Norton Sound being impassable. The whaler Jeanette was seen just south of the island. Around St. Lawrence Island there was a heavy field of ice, the pack being heaviest to the astrong

Diggings

A Comprehensive Statement of Conditions at the Over-

An Extensive Gold Belt But the Rush is Not War-ranted. An Extensive Gold Belt But the ranted. An din March growing dissatis-faction brought about a crisis, and many raised their voices in favor of military raised their voices in favor of military control. But the crisis was averted; contributions were treely made, confi-dence partially restored, and the sanita-tion and drainage of the city was en-

this half dozen will show up any paying successful so far. All of the miners this half dozen will show up any paying claims. "Nome is an enterprising city. Three thousand people wintered here and in the immediate neighborhood. Early last fall a municipal government was organized and has been with us all winter. Now the spirit of speculation has seized all. Every available foot of town property is claimed and attempted to be held by one pretence or another. Even the law seems to have been interpreted and ad-ministered in the interest of speculation. Everything being voluntary, the munici-pal government labored under many diffi-culties, particularly an the collection of

Another miner, writing to a friend at Dawson on April 26, says: "Another boom is on on the Koyukuk. Don't go there either, for there has never been over two or three claims found there that pay. All the miners that went from here have come back, having found-nothing."

Speaking of the Tanana he says: "They are having a great boom on the Tanana river just now. Don't you be fooled by anything you hear, for there has not been anything found so far to According to the advices brought from Nome by the Alpha, those intending to go there would do well to consider Punch's advice to people about to marry—"Don't." A correspondent writ-ing from there on the Alpha, says: "To those of my friends who are looking for advice to guide them in their intentions upon Nome, I would say: 'Unless you can afford to blot a year or two out of your existence, and lose the cost of living for a like period, or you can afford to energy at home. Under no cir-energy at a home a h

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and we did not enter into disquisi-ns or technical discussions, but nized that they were carrying out, nglo-Saxons, a great work of civil-n and humanity. low we are asking their sympathy, we believe that in the long run we gain the final seal of their ap-

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

thy Woodruff Is the Choice of New York.

ladelphia, June 19.-Lieut.-Governothy L. Woodruff will be presentthe national convention as the canof New York for vice-president. s decided to do this after a four as decided to do this after a four s' stormy session of the New York gation, during which every kind of al was made to get Governor Roose-to say that he would accept a nom-on. The vice-presidential situation ill mixed, because it is asserted that York makes this move so as to go the convention with a candidate, and hoping that Governor Roosevelt will cominated. Senator Hanna has stat-hat he controls the delegates to such xtent that he can nominate any can-te he pleases to name, and it is not xtent that he can nominate any can-te he pleases to name, and it is not wn that he has withdrawn his objec-to Mr. Woodruff. The latter was as h surprised as anybody over the re-In general the idea seems to be alent that Secretary Long is the t favored candidate with a probabil-that Roosevelt may still be nominat-Governor Roosevelt believes that his hes have been respected by his own gation, and that he is finally out of race.

DOES NOT WANT IT.

dy Would Rather Be Governor of ew York Than Vice-President.

iladelphia, June 18. — Governor sevelt to-day stated that in regard to talk about making him a candidate vice-president, that he considered he d do more to help the national ticket being nominated as governor of New

TALIAN CABINET RESIGNED.

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osition Tactics Brought on a Deadlock.

ome, June 18.-In the chamber tome, June 18.—In the chained of the premier, Gen. Pel-s, announced that the cabinet has re-ned owing to a deadlock arising from sing at question of the rules of proceedure.

o get relief from indigestion, billonsne stipation or torpid liver without distu the stomach or purging the bows e a few doses of Carter's Little Liv s, they will please you.

