oaded to their fullest capacity. Burns' anniversary was celebrated ast night by a banquet at the Hotel Metropole. About 75 members of Royal Scot Camp, Sons of Scotland, were pre

Owing to the rush of northern trade the New England Fish Company, who are the principal operators of the British Columbia halibut fisheries, have had only one steamer at work this season, and in consequence the catch so far has peen lighter than for the same time last year, but, in spite of so much bad weaher, the individual shipments have been arge, the latest amounting to 50,000 ounds of fish. The fish are reported to pe plentiful and in good condition, and if nother boat was to be had the shipents could be almost, if not quite, doubled. In view of this the company s sending out one of its own boats from he Atlantic coast to go into the fishing ousiness, and this vessel is expected in ancouver next month. The new steamer will have a far greater capacity than any of the boats that have yet been in

NANAIMO.

Nanaimo, Jan. 26.-Mr. W. M. Botsord, inspector of the Merchants' Bank of Halifax, was in the city yesterday nd decided to open a branch of the bank here. He secured premises and exects to have the office ready for busiess in about ten days.

The beacon buoy once more has fallen into the mighty deep. The steamer Willapa ran into it when making a land ing at Johnston's wharf last night and completely demolished the new buoy which was erected last fall. Fortunately the Willapa escaped without injury. Mayor Bate and Aldermen Quennell and Manson returned from Victoria to day, having had an interview with the ovincial government in regard to relucing the expenses of the police department. They were received eously, and the executive promised to give an answer in a few days. A. R. Johnston & Co.'s wharf was a

busy scene last evening, when the eamers Willapa and Tees were loadng up for Skagway. Both steamers were packed with passengers, freight and live stock. The Willapa had 35 head of horses aboard for the use of the Mounted Police in the Yukon country .-Free Press.

NELSON.

Nelson, Jan. 24.—Development work on Toad Mountain properties is being ushed vigorously ahead; the number of claims on which work is being done is ive times as many as last winter. Several important deals in valuable properies have recently been completed and others are pending.

Two promising claims, the J.R.C. and Silver Cap, about a quarter of a mile rom the famous Silver King, were sold last week by Alfred Bunker to R. Reiserer and A. H. Clements of Nelson. The purchase price is not known, but t is understood that it is a good figure. Both are known to be valuable proper des, and soon as the snow goes off, deopment work will be pushed ahead. Both the steamers Nelson and Kokanee made the round trip to Kalama yeserday, loaded heavily with freight for the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway and with a large passenger list. The Nelson will make round

ious. Kalama is booming and before pring it will be a place of considerable ize and importance.

each day this wook

The New Licenses Received By Colector of Customs Milne.

MINING LICENSES.

of freight going in by this route is en-

Collector of Customs A. R. Milne this orning received a supply of the mining icenses. One of these licenses each miner must obtain either from Mr. Milne or from the collector of customs at Vancouver, or from the inspectors of police at Dawson before he can locate a mining claim on Canadian territory. Should miner go northward he will not be able to locate a claim until he finds the inspector of police at Dawson, which would involve a journey of, in the majority of cases, over 100 miles. It will be greatly to the advantage of miners starting for the gold fields to come to Victoria, Vancouver, New Westminster or Nanaimo and secure a license.

This license reads as follows: is to certify that ...... has paid me this day the sum of ..... and is entitled to all the rights and privileges of a free miner under any mining regulations of the government of Canada for one year from the .... day of ....., 1898. This certificate shall also grant to the helder thereof the privilege of fishing and shooting, subject to the provisions of any act that has been passed for the protection of game and fish: also the privilege of cutting timber for actual recessities, for building houses, boats and for general mining operations, such timber, however, to be for the exclusive use of the miner himself, but such permission shall not extend to timber which may have been heretofore or which may · hereafter granted to other persons or cerporations.

JAMES A. SMART. Deputy Minister of the Interior.

Countersigned: ..... To be countersigned by the gold comssioner, mining recorder or by an officer or agent of the department of the interior.

on application to Collector Milney

Those desiring licenses can get them KLONDIKE NEWS. glass

The Montreal Star with its accustomed enterprise has followed up the discovery of gold in the Klondike with a series of authentic reports of the progress and development of that country. So much attention has been, and will be for some time to come, directed to the gold fields, that the Star's reports are regarded with the keenest interest in all parts of the Dominion. Besides the general news of the gold fields derived from direct and reliable sources, the Star furnishes freely columns maps and illustrations, with hints and instructions to prospective miners and expeditions, which are invaluable. Owing to its enormous circulaion announcements in the Star are sure to reach further than in any other medium in conada, as it has established a reputation across the width of the continent for the reliability of its reports, as well as its broad and liberal management, which has made ft so popular.

THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT

Principal Features of the Agreement Between the Government and Mackenzie & Mann.

Road From the Month of Sticking River to Teslin Must Be Finished in Six Weeks.

Ottawa, Jan. 27.—As announced yes terday, the contract for a railway between Telegraph creek and Teslin lake was signed by Mackenzie & Mann, subject to ratification by parliament. The principal terms are as follows: A winter road is to be begun from the

mouth of the Stikine river to Teslin lake immediately and finished in six weeks, orgby March 10th. A railway is to be built from navigable waters on the Stikine river, at a point in Canada, to Teslin lake, all through Canadian territory. This road is 150 miles in length and is to be built, equipped and operated before September 1st, 1898, or in seven months from the present date. A spur of the railway from the Stikine river southward to an ocean port in British Columbia may be built when required by the government of Canada, in which case the contractors are to have the offer to construct it if they agree to the terms to be imposed by the government. steamship communication for passengers can get in. and freight from the terminus of the rail-

way at Teslin lake down the Hoetalinqua to Dawson City. .t. R. All rates on the proposed railway for freight and passengers are to be first settled by the privy council, to be reduced 25 per cent, at the end of four years, and further reduced by another 25 per cent. at the end of seven years, and after ten years such rates to be fixed under the

general railway act The contractors are to receive 25,000 acres of land per mile in the Yukon district as a subsidy for building the winter country and to good properties that may graphic supplies of John W. Graham road and railway lands to be so located be put on the market." that the government and contractors will have alternate blocks of the size of six

miles by three miles. All land granted is to be subject to a royalty on the gold contained therein of one per cent., payable to the government. No portion of the lands is to be selected by the company until 10 miles of the 92,000 acres may be selected and run out lations before these lands are selected and base lines run are reserved for the terpreted. to Dawson City, and a strip of land chequer delivered something like and public right of navigation, and the use of all navigable and flowing streams is

preserved. The contractors agree to deposit \$250,-000 as security for the performance of

the contract. It is understood that the provincial government gives \$2,250 subsidy per mile to the Telegraph Creek & Teslin Lake

"CANADA FOR CANADIANS."

railway.

Hon, Mr. Tarte Excites Applause by the Use of This Expression.

Montreal, Jan. 27.-At last night's banquet to Premier Marchand, Hon Mr. Tarte, in the course of his speech, predicted that the Klondike gold fever would bring at least 100,000 people to our shores this year, and announced amidst great applause that the government had completed arrangements for the construction of a railway over the most difficult portion of the route to Klondike at no cost to the country, as it was necessary to have immediate railway communication to this territory through Canadian territory. His last remark was "Canada for Canadians." (Cheers and applause.) 19010

CANADIAN BRIEFS. Bill

Cobourg, Jan. 26 .- C. G. Field, M.P.P., is dangerously ill. London, Jan. 26 .- Wm. Shore, M.P.P. was re-nominated by the Patrons of East Middlesex. He was at the last election supported by Conservatives as well as

Patrons. St. Cafharines, Jan. 26 .- Dr. Jessop was yesterday nominated by the Conservatives as a candidate for Lincoln. Hamilton, Jan. 26 .- Since the death of the county clerk no one knows the combination of the safe and all attempts to open it have failed.

Brockville, Jan. 26.-G. P. Graham was nominated by the Liberals here yesterday as a candidate in successio G. A. Rana, who declined to stand again. Almonte, Ont., Jan. 25.-Six large woolen mills, which have been closed nearly two years, have resumed operaowing to the demands, for the tions, owing to Klondike trade.

Toronto, Jan. 25 .- At the Board of Trade annual meeting to-day Elias Rogers succeeded Edward Gurney as president, by acclamation. There was a warm contest for all other offices. Both

geon of the steamship Warrimoo, which sails on February 7th.

Halifax Jan. 25.—D. McPherson, M. Halifax Jan. 25.—D. McPherson, M. Bladderdatch, has been, sentenced to two P.P. for Halifax, and T. W. Papes of Amherst, ex-premier of Nova Scotia, were to-day sworn in as members of the William.

provincial government without portfolio. The provincial legislature meets on Thursday for the dispatch of business. Winnipeg, Jan. 25.—The premises oc-cupied by Ostrander, fruiter, and Ossenfire last night. Loss, about \$1,500. Montreal, Jan. 27.—The negotiations between the Canadian Pacific railway and F. Aug. Heinze, owner of the Trail smelter and the railway from Robson to

JOHN LAIRD DEAD.

Liverpool, Jan. 25.—John Laird, ship-builder, of Birkenhead, is dead.

WALSH'S WARNING

The Commissioner of the N. W. M. P. Writes the Otlawa Authorities on Yukon Affairs.

Sure To Be a Scarcity of Provisions-Beware of Fake Klondike Mining Schemes.

Ottawa, Jan. 26.+(Special - Letters have been received by the minister of the the department was a long time in getinterior from Major Walsh, dated ting it under control. "Mouth of Big Salmon River, Christmas Eve." The Major discusses the food the air as long as two hours after it problem, as it will have to be faced the hose in the department was after the territory is filled up with the brought into dise, and the stores of the new population that will go in next city were called upon for their new spring. He calculates that river boats stocks. will not be able to land more than one half the supplies necessary to sustain the estimated population next summer. The contractors are bound to provide He does not believe that 50 good people

Part of his letter contains an important

warning of which the public should take figited. He says. the in the intermed that 15 or 20 agents them. and brokers have come out from Dawson carrying with them, some say, hundreds some say "thousands of certificates for entries for mining or all vinsky, of San Francisco. It cost \$225, streams in the neighborhood and to the 000, and was insured for \$50,000. mountain tops, with the hope that they can be put on the market and be readily zed by the gullible public in the United imitate the brokers of South Africa and and caused the flames to start. Rossland. If this is true there is no

CREATED A SENSATION. Europe Still Discussing Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's Speech.

New York, Jan. 25.-According to ad vices from London the speech of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach declaring that Great Britain will demand free commerce railway are first built and operated, and for the world in Chinese ports, continues cussion of the complications in China. when each ten miles of the railway are built and operated. All free miners lishes an officially inspired editorial miniclaims located under government regu- mizing the gravity of the chancellor's words, "whose strong expressions," 12 complains, "have been strangely misin-

miners. Rivers, streams and lakes form- The Times continues: "It has been ing the water stretch from Teslin lake imagined that the chancellor of the exalong each bank are reserved for the marum with regard to the proposed Chinese loan. In reality he did nothing of the kind. He merely said that England would never allow her commerce to be excluded from the Chinese markets. "Our attitude is in no sense aggressive

but merely self-defensive." This remarkable attempt to explain away the chancellor's bellicose declaration is made to placate Russia.

FELL FIVE STORIES

Three Workmen on a New York Build ing Meet With a Terrible Accident.

New York, Jan. 27 .- An accident oc to-day at the new twelve-story building in course of construction or Broadway, which will probably result in the death of three men, George McNamara, John Hammond, and Michael Sea-Seaman was on the fifth floor superintending the building of a scaffold over the elevator shaft. Suddenly he lost his balance and fell down the shaft. Or the fourth floor McNamara and Ham mond were standing on a slim scaffold already erected over the elevator shaft. Seaman weighs 200 pounds and the fold on the fourth floor fell with him The three men crashed down to the subbelow and were internally injured.

CANADIAN NEWS. THE PHEASANT'S MISSION. Speculation in San Diego as to Move ments of British Warships.

San Diego, Jan. 27 .- Much mystery at taches to the destination of the British cruiser Pheasant, now here en route to the south. While the officers convey the impression that their trip down the coast is merely an ordinary errise, more com- as is also Qi-Dinalberot, a violinist, municative subordinates say the ship is Ass. Hing. Davies, who jumped from being hurried to southern waters to join, the fifth story window, died from her the big cruiser Amphion, and that the injuries this morning. two will go on south to the Iquique. The Leander and torpedo destroyer Sparrowhawk are understood to be on the way -south.

THE HANNA INVESTIGATION. Columbus, O., Jan. 25, So far the investigation into the charges of alleged bribery in connection with the election of Senator Hanna has been fruitless of results, no witness having admitted any

thing so far in substantiation of the charges.

VAN HORNE TO RESIGN. warm contest for all other offices. Both the retiring and new president advocated a Dominion insolvency law.

Montreal, Jan. 25.—The Board of Trade, at its annual meeting to-day, passed a resolution in favor of deepening the Welland capal to thirty feet, and lengthening the locks to 500 feet.

Winnipeg, Jan. 25.—Dr. McMinn left on this evening's westbound train its learned that at the next annual meeting of the Canadian Pacific raidroad meeting of the Canadian Pacific raidroad meeting of the road. The fact that the presidency of the road that at the next annual meeting of the Canadian Pacific raidroad meeting of the Canadian Pacific raidroad meeting of the road. The fact that the presidency of the road stationery for annual passes for 1898 and stationery for annual passes for

brugge, furrier wer badly damaged by Further Particulars Regarding the Disaster Which Caused a Number of Deaths.

Rossland, for the purchase of that pro-perty, by the Canadian Pacific has been Stories and All Means of Escape Stories and All Means of Escape Were Cut Off.

> Spokane. Jan. 25 .- At 11.45 o'clock last night the Great Eastern Block, at the corner of Post street and Riverside avenue, six stories in height, and constructed of brick, caught fire.

> At least five lives, and perhaps 50, are In three hours the building was totally consumed. The loss is \$400,000. The building was a six story brick, and the two upper floors were used for light house keeping.

These floors were occupied by 75 or 100 roomers, and it is not thought that more than 25 were saved. Great crowds flocked the streets, frantic with excitement. Several thrill ing rescues were made.

The fire was a singularly hot one, and

Even then the flames rose 100 feet in

Because of the network of live electric wires surrounding the building, it was with the utmost difficulty that the

ladders of the department were elevat-While they were going up the people were at the windows shrieking, while the flames and smoke burst out upon

Crowds of people on the streets below shrieked in sympathy with them. The building was owned by Louis Le-Mrs. Stark Oliver, wife of Dr. Stark Oliver, says she heard "an explosion

shortly before the flames appeared. The States and Canada. They are trying to boiler of the engine may have exploded There is another theory, and that is the chemicals in the basement for photo-

On the ground floor of the structure were the establishments of the John W. Graham Paper Company, stationery and supplies and Skerrett & Donnelly, boots and shoes. Both are total losses. Graham carried a stock worth \$60,000, 70 per cent, of which is covered by in-

The firm of Skerrett & Donnelly had a stock of \$25,000, of which \$20,000 was covered by insurance. In the offices above there were large osses on law libraries and fixtures, besides probably a still larger loss on fur-

niture and household effects. W. D. Lloyd was sitting in his room on the fifth floor, reading, when the alarm was given.

"Everyone who was in bed at that time on that floor," he said, "perished." "He had a narrow escape. Wrapping his overcoat around his head he down the stairway. As he ran down stairs he ran into two men. He saw five persons on that floor, who, he is convinced, perished. He heard persons falling all around him, suffocated by the dense smoke. Alice Wilson, aged 18, is known to

have perished. Her sister Maud was ment: saved. Mrs. H. G. Davies, of Nebraska City, Neb., fell or jumped from a fifth story window to the cement pavement below. She died at the Sacred Heart hospital

two hours later: A thrilling escape was that of Robert Masson, his wife and their two year old boy from the fifth floor on the Post street side.

From a fire escape on the fourth floor, seven feet to one side, a man threw Masson a rope, which he made fast to his bed, and came down hand over hand, carrying the boy. Mrs. Masson followed. As she hung suspended far above the ground, the

huge crowd watched with breathless interest. When she was grasped by the firemen a shout of joy went up. As the people were removed from the burning structure or escaped themselves. they sought places of safety. The last out of the upper floors reported forms

lying in the hall, and women shricking in the flames. Spokane, Jan. 25.-The firemen are still playing water on the embers of the Great Eastern block, which was burned early this morning. It will not be safe to search the ruins for the dead until

to-morow. W. B. Girdon, a prominent mining expert, his wife and three children, aged 12. 9 and 7, are missing, and it is almost certain the entire family perished. Mrs. C. Lewis is among the missing, as is also Q: Dunalberot, a violinist.

Spokane, Jan. 26.—Latest reports show that eight lives, and probably nine, were lost in the fire in the Great Eastern

They were: block. Miss Alice Watson, aged 18, employed as a hat trimmer. Her sister, Mand Wilson, aged 5, Mrs. Rose Smith, aged 20. Mrs. H. G. Davis, an elderly lady from Nebraska City. Neb., who fell in descend-

ng from the fifth story, died at the hos-

W. B. Gordon, mining engineer and Mrs. Cora Peters and her daughters, Ethel and Alma, aged respectively 9 and

to a tangle in electric light and telephone

Mr. Pronger discovered two large wires ing. He climbed down these in a net- schooner Moonlight.

work of wires. He descended to the TENDERERS FOR

ground and was followed back up the ladder by a fireman carrying a light ladder on his shoulder. This was con-nected with the main ladder. Mrs. Pronger caught and made fast the othe end and she then descended in safety. Meanwhile, Mrs. Davis had tried to follow Mrs. Pronger, but in the dense smoke missed the ladder. She came on down, hand over hand, until she reach ed the second story. There she lost her hold and fell to the stone pavement. She was 72 years old.

Her son, Samuel T. Davis, is a merchant at Nebraska City. Another, Rev F. G. Davis, is pastor of the First Bap tist church at Ottumwa, Iowa None of the remains of those lost have been recovered. The four walls of the

still burning in the basement. In that appalling mass of blackened debris lie the bodies of the victims. The local board of insurance agents stimate the total property loss at \$225,-000; insurance, \$133,000.

big building remain intact and the fire is

## THE FAR EAST

Possibility of John Bull's Fleet Being Overmatched

certain Value-Germany's Move ments at Kiao Chau. Vignoris

here comment on French, Russian and German reinforcements going to the Far East, while no corresponding addition is made to the British fleet, and say: "Happily Great Britain can count on

the assistance, instead of the hostility, of the United States. But the Japanese navy is a factor of uncertain value.' An article in the Pall Mall Gazette

"The German fleet may be said to hold the balance between England and Japan and France and Russia, and have the position of arbiter—the very thing the kaiser would desire; and with the force he possesses in the Far East he can dictate terms. If the position is really critical, we run the grave risk of leav-

move. Berlin, Jan. 26.-The steamer Darmat Kiao Chau Bay.

A STEAMER WRECKED. The City of Duluth Goes to Pieces Off

St. Joseph, Detroit, Mich., Jan. 27 .- A special to the Associated Press from Benton Harbor says the steamer City of Duluth was wrecked off St. Joseph early this mornng, and now lies broken lengthwise through the centre by a heavy sea. She afterwards fell to pieces by the swelling of her cargo of oats. Forty passengers, including the crew, were saved by the

life-saving crew. Mrs. Wm. Tryon, one of the ladies resbeing hadly frozen on the passage from the passage from the Fourth. the wrecked vessel to the dock.

HE WILL STILL PREACH. Rev. Dr. Brown Not to Give Up the

Ministry. San Francisco, Ja. 26.—Rev. Dr. C. O. Brown has made the following state-

aul have made my confession and l erred and I have repented. I will not enter into the details of my misfortunes, mor will I discuss what I mean by confessing to a small part of the charges. they looked in my face and said they could not believe the stories circulated about me and the stories were not true. ruary 4th. had everything to live for. I had the

confidence and esteem of my Chicago congregation. "I was booked to lecture at 50 of the rincipal churches in the east. That shows the confidence and esteem the people had in me, and yet duty compelled

me to come out. "I cannot explain, but I felt that I must come out. It was not a hasty or impulsive step I took in making my confession. I had fought against it, for life was sweet and the success and friendship were dear to me. I had decided that I would telegraph or write or do but it was not until Wednesday that I felt that I must come in person. Then I wrote a note to my wife, telling her was going on a lecturing tour and started west.

"It was a strange coincidence that I met no one on the train who knew me. I have made the journey across the contirent 15 times and this is the first time that I never met anyone I knew. I was a stranger to everyone. I mille ho effort to conceal my identity. "I arrived at the hotel in Wakland" in the evening and went to my room. I remained very quiet, because I knew what was coming, and did not want to put the hotel managers to any inconvenience. Moreover, I knew if it were known that I was there, the meeting of the Bay conference would be attended by hundreds of people. I wished to avoid

"I don't know what the future will bring to me, but I do know this. that I shall preach the gospel till I die, if I have to preach it on the street corners. I shall stay here until I know what my former friends will do, and I am ready to bear anything that my confession calls forth."

YANKEES FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Stamford, Conn., Jan. 25 .- Fifteen hundred people gathered about the railway station last night to witness the departure of a party of 62 men bound for the Alaskan gold fields. The party ining and Trading Association. All came from this and surrounding cities and have given up good situations or business interests. They will go direct to Puget Sound by rail and will make a final start February 4 in the specially chartered schooner Moonlight:

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## TIMBER BERTHS

List of Those Who Were Successful in Obtaining Privileges in the Yukon District.

Agitation To Have the Law Respecting Canned Goods Amended-Mr. Sifton Explains.

Ottawa, Jan. 27 .- The following tenders have been accepted at the interior department for timber berths on the Yukon: A. S. Cross, Hootalingua river; A. McLean, Lake Marsh; E. Vachon, Lewes and Pelly rivers; G. S. McConnell, Hootalinqua river; Klondike Mining Trading & Transportation Corporation Teslin lake; J. L. Johnson, Lake Le Barge; J. R. Perry, Lake Nares; and A. The Warship Maine Shown Regulation S. Kerry, Lake Bennett. All the successful tenderers are British Columbia peo The British Press Alarmed About the ple, and they pay an average of \$1,000 bonus for five miles. Each award is for five miles in addition to which a stumpage fee of \$2 per thousand feet has got to be paid. The license to cut timber is for one year. Each licensee The Japanese Navy a Factor of Un-must erect a sawmill before September

The government have decided to grant free miners licenses at Kamloops, Ash-croft, New Westminster and Nanaimo, in addition to the places already mention-London, Jan. 26.-The newspapers ed. Parties entering into gold dredging in the Yukon will be compelled to take out free miners' licenses.

General Booth arrived in Ottawa tointerview the government upon an im-

migration scheme. Petitions have arrived at the inland revenue department from some of the morner, as there was a Spanish admiral eastern boards of trade that the law re- in the harbor, a second salute of 15 guns specting canned goods should be so amended by requiring packers to place in This salute was returned in kind and clear lettering on each mean the net the Spanish sent a staff officer aboard clear lettering on each early the net the Spanish sent a staff officer aboard weight of the contents and the date on the Maine to greet Capt, Sigsbee. This which the goods were packed. The department will ask the views of the boards of trade throughout the country ficers and other officers. 10 to this request. Some years ago similar petitions were presented to the departing our fleet weak! In fact, we pre- ment, but was so strongly opposed by bare to open the contest by a retrogade the canners that the matter was not pressed. The contention of the carners is that if the goods are put up properstadt, having on board a detachment of ly, it matters not whether they are one harines and artiflerymen, has arrived year old, but that the stamping of the his pleasure. date on the can prejudices purchasers.

The officers of the customs service were to-day ordered to report for duty hereafter at 9 a.m., and work until 5:30 p.m., with one hour for funch. Regarding the obnoxious customs surveillance at Skagway, Mr. Sifton says: "The Dyangement made at Washington was perfectly definite, but has not yet

been carried out from there. I expect to be able to apply a remedy to the kept closely aboard the ship. In this way difficulty existing at present, but it is obvious I cannot authorize the statement that the United States authorities will refund duies."

NO HOPE FOR ALLISON. gued, died from the effects of exposure. The Murderer of Mrs. Orr to be Hanged

the law to take its course in the case ed on February 4th, for the murder of all shades of opinion echo to-day with Mrs. Orr, wife of Anthony Orr, a farm-er near Berlin, Ont. Allison is only 18 El Imparcial co years of age, and but for the premeditated way in which he planned and | and recommends Spaniards in Havana to committed the murder, his youth might be prudent and self-possessed, and to have nothing further to say. I have have saved him from the gallows. The show disdain and indiffreence during the prisoner had no training or education, stay of the American vessel. out for all that showed some cunning in the way he planned the murder. Allison confessed to the murder. He shot of the American ship, as he is perfectly Mrs. Orr while she was milking a cow, aware that President McKinley harbors Life was very sweet to me. I had and covered the body up in a cornfield, thousands of friends in the east and until he got time to carry it to a swamp, where a grave was ready for the remains. Allison will be hanged on Feb-

OUTLOOK FOR WHEAT. San Francisco, Jan. 27.-The light rainfall this winter causes wheat growers to anticipate higher prices for their produce. In regard to the outlook, M. Berg, the well known local grain operator, as a representative of the continent al dealers, particularly European, said: "The dry weather so far has done no. damage in this state except in the minds of speculators who always anticipate the worst, and are now crying about a dry season," en in par

AN UNHAPPY KING.

New York, Jan. 27 .- A dispatch to the Herald from Seoul says: It is stated on the most unquestionable authority that the king of Corea has asked the United States minister here for protection against possible re- attach importance to the visit of an

volutions. Captain Wild, of the cruiser Boston refuses to land, a naval force, though strongly urged to do so by the king.

WORSE THAN WEYLER. The Order of the Governor-General of the Philippines.

suicide in prison. San Francisco, Jan. 26.-Advices from the Orient bring to hand the full text of the edict recently issued by Fernando Primo de Rivera, governor-general of the Philippines, a brief reference to which had been made through official the Chester County Democrat, commitsources at Madrid.

The edict is so severe in its treatment of all enemies of the imperial govern ment that the manifestoes of Weyler seem mild in comparison. Taken as a whole it appears as an official confession of the untruth of the frequent announce ments from the government at Madrid trip to the gold regions. At Stamford that the Philippine insurrection has been suppressed and the people paci-

fied. The edict begins with the revocation The edict begins with the revocation of all passes heretofore issued and the establishment of a military trochn, suitable steamboats during the season of a military trochn, suitable steamboats during the season of a military trochn, and the season of the

corporated in the rebel party must go to join or fix their residence under the watchfulness of the authorities. For the purpose of this order the families of rebels will consist of their wives. children, parents, brothers, brothers-in-

NO MORE TERRITORIES.

Are To Be Admitted into Statehood at Present.

Washington, Jan. 26.-Statehood legislation was killed at this session to-day by the house committee on territories rejecting the Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma bills by a vote of 8 to 3. The first two measures were bunch-ed and defeated, then the Oklahoma bill

was beaten by the same vote. There was no discussion, as it was understood at the last meeting that a vote was to be taken to-day without further preliminaries.

Courtesies-Spanish Papers Advise Contempt.

Spain Will Reciprocate and Send a Man-of-war to Some American Port.

Washington, Jan. 26.-The procedure observed by the Maine upon her arrival off Havana, as laid down at the navy

lepartment, was as follows: Being daylight (for no craft is permitted to enter the harbor during darkness) day and was met at the depot by the at the entrance of the harbor, the Maine mayor and a civic deputation. He is to began to fire a salute of 21 guns. As soon as the last gun was fired the guns of Moro Castle began a return salute of

the same number. was fired by the Maine in his honor. call was returned, and then there was a visitation from port officials, health of-

Meanwhile, Capt., Sigsbee sent one of his officers ashore to the United States consulate with a message to Gen. Lee. stating that the Maine was waiting his orders and indicating that he would bepleased to receive the consul-general aboard or to call upon him ashore at

These calls having been exchanged the next thing in order was a reception to the acting general, as General Blanco

has gone east as far as Catabana. With this the ceremonies concluded so far as custom prescribes, though there may be some entertainment extended to the Maine's officers by officials in Ha-It is likely the ship's crew will be

the probabilities of an unfriendly encounter between convivial parties of sailors and rowdies will be reduced. Gen. Lee will visit the Maine this

New York, Jan. 26.- A Madrid dispatch says: The official intimation of the contem-lated visit of American vessels of war Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Lord Aberdeen sign- to Havana and the presence of the Am ed an order-in-council to-day permitting cricam squadron in the West Indian waters has caused a sensation and much of James Allison, sentenced to be hang- displeasure at Madrid, which the press of

> erica provocation without" justification Sagasta says the Spanish government attaches no importance to the movement

El Imparcial calls the conduct of Am

no designs against the present cordial relations between the two countries. It is easy to see, however, he says, how politicians and military men apprehend any demonstration by the old Spanish party in Havana on the occasion of visit by American vessels that would find an echo in the patriotic feelings and

hurdly suppressed irritation against the United States in Spain. Madrid, Jan. 20. -Admiral Chacon, the admiral of the fleet, has arriver here and had a long conference with Admiral Bermejo, the minister of marine. serted that the recent revolutions had denonstrated the perfection of the fleet. The next cabinet council will decide what American ports the Spanish menor-war are to visit.

ranted provocation. Most of them counsel the people of Havana to show forberance. In official circles the tendency is to accept the 'argument that the United States is friendly and it is needless to

The Spanish papers sharply stigmatize

the Maine incident as an act of unwar-

American vessel to Havana.

TOOK HIS LIFE IN PRISON. Rio de Janeiro, Jan. 25.-Bishop, who assassinated General Marcado Bittencourt, the minister of war, last November, at the time of the attempt upon the life of President Moraes, has committed

SUICIDE OF AN EDITOR.

West Chester, Pa., Jan. 25.-Captain George R. Guss, editor and proprietor of ted suicide at his home in this city yesterday by inhaling illuminating gas.

BOUND FOR KLONDIKE.

South Manchester, Conn., Jan. 25 .-Thirteen Klondikers left to-day on their they were joined by 57 others.

NEW ALASKAN MAIL BOUTE Washington, Jan. 25.-Postmaster General

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