"Ah!" replied the lady in a low have not forgotten that?

"I have not forgotten that?" "I have a long memory for some things," said the major, and went on reading. "I used often to wonder when you had gone away," Miss Nabb continued present-ly, with a little quaver in her voice, "whether you were still suffering." "Not from toothache," said the major,

rather gruffly. "I beg your pardon?" said Miss Nabb nterrogatively.

"Not from toothache." And he went on eading.

reading. Miss Nabb took some moments to pon-der over this dark saying and to devise means for carrying on the conversation. But she was relieved from her difficulty by the major himself, for suddenly he dropped the newspaper on his knee; and, carefully looking away from her, jerked out: "Good old times those were, weren't

Miss Nabb responded with a little sigh, but the ice was broken and in a few min-utes the two were busily engaged in talk-ing over reminiscences of former times. ing over reminiscences of normer times-of picn'cs, walks and parties which they had enjoyed together, of people they had met and interests they had shared in the days when Miss Nabb had been admittedly one of the belles of the countryside. The conversation went briskly forward,

and as the past revived, the two grew more and more animated, and yet neither was quite at ease. To tell the truth there was one

To tell the truth there was one episode-to which Miss Nabb hoped the major would allude, but to which he had not the remotest intention of making any reference whatever, unless she touched on it herstif. Time after time she brought him right up to the dreaded subject but he invariably shied, till there was noth-ing for it but to give him a lead. So at last, after a somewhat protect

So at last, after a somewhat prole pause, during which both had sought fran ically but in vain for a new star for conversation, Miss Nabb plucked up courage to remark: "There is one thing I have often wanted to ask you, Major Mac-

herson." "What is it?" inquired the major, his ce sounding as if he had suddenly re

"Was it you who-who-sent those flow-ers before the last ball-when you were going to India?"

"There was a letter with them," said the major, rather shortly, gazing into a remote corner of the room. "You knew the handwriting.

Miss Naph started and showed signs of tearfulness. 'There wasn't any letter-indeed- there-

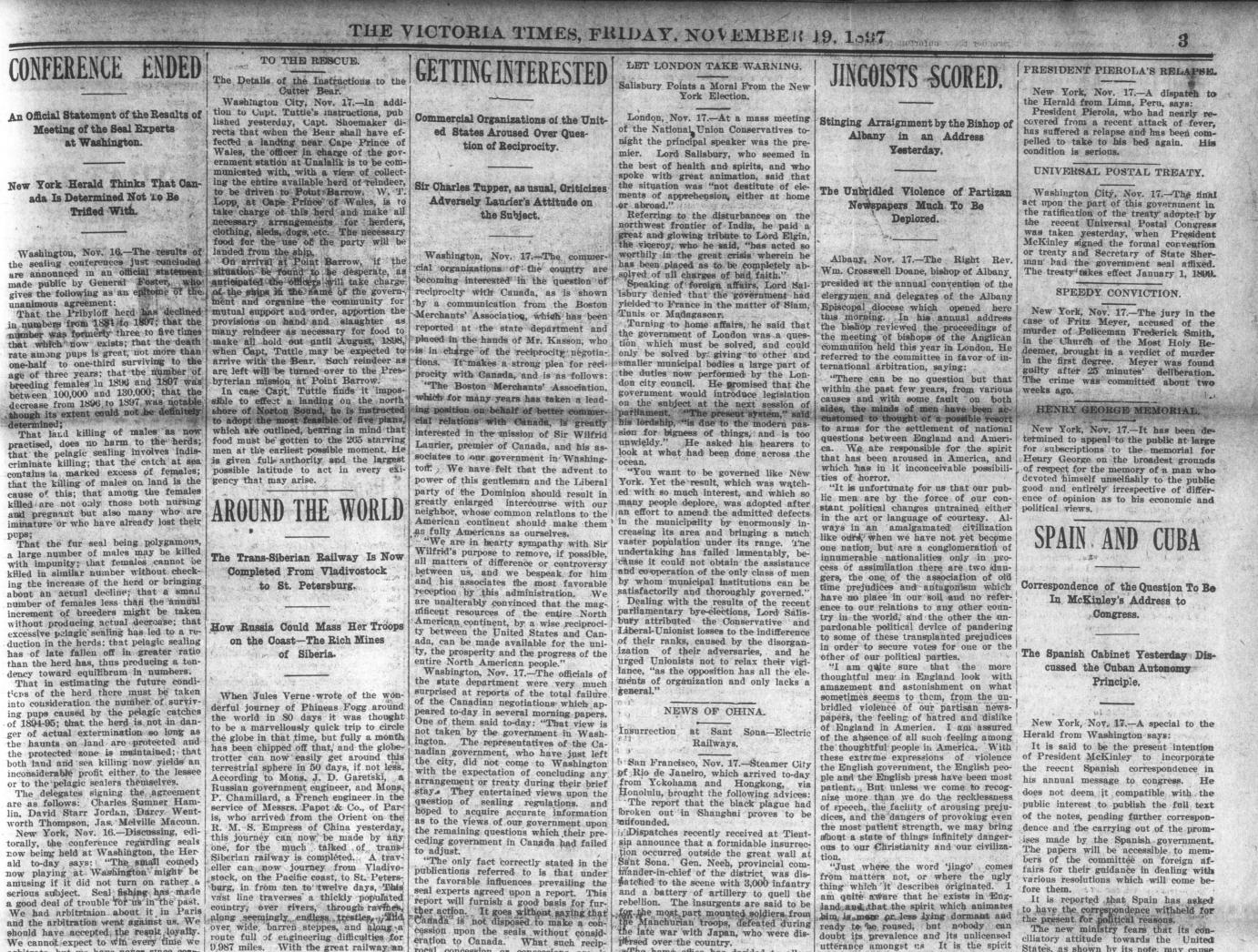
wasn't," she pleaded. "And I didn't like to wear them in case some one else-I mean"— And her voice broke down as she added: "And then you wouldn't dance with me at all."

"No letter!" shouted the major. jumping up, he began rapidly to pace the Jumping up, he began rapidly to pace the room, while the memory of long years of mourning for false love rolled over his-mind. "No letter! Curse the boy! He must have dropped it, and I didn't address it properly!"

Had it, then, been all a gigantic mistake? While he had moped and sulked at that miserable farewell ball had she been wondering and sad and loving him all the time and waiting for him to-speak? And during all those long years of living in India, and of vain struggling to forget, had the heart of the one we he had ever loved been sore and desolate, oping and waiting his return?

Now, the major was an experienced man, prompt to act on emergencies, and gallant withal, though somewhat misogynistic. The major finds the English climate much more tolerable now, serves on a board of guardians, makes political spec tentous length and is a devoted hus and Mrs. MacPherson has given up dieting, and her nerves trouble her no more .- Lon don Answers.

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arbitrate, but we have never since ceas-ed our efforts to upset the regulations that the military strength of Russia on framed in pursuance of the Paris award. the Pacific coast will be greatly strength-

"Now a conference is going on at Washington about sealing, in which Can-Washington about sealing, in which Can-ada and the United States are represent-ble should arise 20000 could be rushed for the sealing question.

with Sir Wilfrid.

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accomplished fact, it is easy to be seen a question not yet disposed of but continuing under consideration. There has not been the slightest check to the ne-

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persed over the country.

The home office has decided to allow of boastfulness, selfishness, arrogancy, the construction of electric railways in conceit. It is unworthy of our man-

FAMOUS JOCKEY DEAD. everybody with whom he comes in con-San Francisco, Nov. 17 .- Bob Isom, "The theory that the old revolutionary the well-known light-weight colored spirit which regarded England as a jockey, is dead in this city. He came tyrant is kept alive by the study of our here with Colonel J. P. Chinn, and was school books of history may have some very successful from his advent on the Pacific coast. After leaving Colonel Chinn he joined the Spreckels string, and children shall be taught that the Enghas been in their employ ever since. Last year Isom was taken ill and seemed to the England to-day as the America of fade away, until after a trip to the this century is different from the Am-Hawaiian Islands, when he regained erica of the revolution. "The theory that we are still sore and it was before Sir Wilfrid came to this autumn races at Sacramento, Isom smarting under the prevailing English country a week ago. I do not see how grew steadily worse and he decided last sympathy with the South during the it can be. I do not see how Sir Wilfrid week to go to Kentucky, his old home, civil war may have some weight. but his illness proved more serious than be true, surely it is the sign of the highminded intelligence to recognize that in the outcome of that war we have become strong enough to forgive the people that misunderstood us. The more country special tariff privileges. As a rode was Lissak, the crack Kentucky black colt, with which Colonel Chinn strained and rebuked, is that if we give protection in America to people from

to have the correspondence withheld for the present for political reasons. The new ministry fears that its con-ciliatory attitude towards the United States, as shown by its note, may cause embarrassment at home, and thereby make it impossible to carry out the prohood and a discredit to our Christianposed reforms. On the other hand there ity. In an individual it is offensive to is the fear that jingo members of congress, who have been expecting so much at the hands of Mr. McKinley, may not be satisfied with all that Spain has promised and that another outbreak in congress will tend to aggravate the situation in Spain. The president's chief desire new is to stave off action of any kind by congress until it can be definitely, known whether Spain's new plan is to succeed or fail. New York, Nov. 17 .- A dispatch to the World from Madrid says: The government will not dissolve parliament nor fix a date for the election, and the meeting of the new cortes, until Premier Sagasta can definitely indicate If it a new formation on the attitude of the American congress towards Spain, and until President McKinley's message and the contemplated note on the question or filibustering expeditions enable him to see the drift of McKinley's policy. The government, and even leaders of the opposition, deem it inadvisable to risk being without a parliament in case other lands, who accounted themselves complications arise in its relations with the United States. Should the attioppressed and injured by foreign governments when they were at home, we tude of the American congress and presdent be reassuring Premier Sagasta will that they shall leave their quarrels bedissolve the cortes in December and appoint the elections for February, thus bringing the next meeting of the cortes early in March. With a view to getting supplies easier from the houses, in which, like all past Spanish governments, he is sure to get double majorities, his intention is to have the elections take place at the same time in Spain and the West Indies, even if the state of Cuba in February obliges him to adopt exceptional measures to at the carry out at the polls the policy that Captain-Geenral Blanco and Senor Moret are already concerting. It is said that the Spanish government will provide the state department "No greater outrage, it seems to me, can be conceivable, and no more lasting at Washington with the text of the colonial reforms and full details of their and serious injury to all the best interworking, with all that is required to humanity throughout the world give President McKiuley an insight into than the severance or the straining of the new policy before drafting his mesthe close tie that binds America to Engsage. The Spanish ministers and Minister Woodford appear to get on very well ogether acry of statecraft and cabinet Madrid, Nov. 17 .- The Spanish cabinet this evening discussed the Cuban autonomy principle, the basis of which is the enjoyment of all the rights en-joyed by the Spanish constitution, with-LAUGHED TO DEATH. out any curtailment whatever; the identity of political and civil rights for Spaniards and Cubans without distinc-Fresno, Cal., Nov. 17.-Mrs. A. M. Dorn, a young married woman of Sel ion, race or color, and the creation of a met death in a strange manner last right. She was laug ing so heartly that a paroxysm of coughing was caus-ed,, which ruptured a blood vessel and caused instant death. Cuban chamber, all members of which are to be elected by popular vote, and a. Cuban senate to be created later on.

eration to Canada. What such reciprocal concession or concessions are is Tokio.

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should arise 20 00.000 could h ed by experts. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the to the coast within a week. Vladivo-Canadian premier, is there looking on. stock is itself in an exceptionally strong Our state department has turned over position, for there are no less than 30 the Behring sea business to Mr. Foster, fortresses there, and a fleet of from seven and Mr. Foster hopes to make a bargain to nine Russian warships are ever in the harbor.

made by steamers, are the only breaks

"There is no objection to that, pro-The trans-continental line, after leav vided the Canadian has authority and ing Vladivostock, runs northerly to Xais willing; but there can be no use tellbarofsk, where the governor-general of ing the American public an agreement Western Siberia resides. This is a city on pelagic scaling would be reached if of 100,000, and a strong military point. Carada did not object. Of course she I'rom Xabarofsk it runs westerly to If she gives up what is to her objects. Blagowreschensk and Nertchensk. a profitable industry, to which the Paris very, important centres of population. arbitration clearly affirmed her right, she From here a break occurs for about a will only do so on terms and for fair housand miles, and instead of proceedcompensation. She will not yield to ing by rail the traveller takes passage threats, and the American public will not on one of the river steamers running be misled by mis-statements." up the Amoor river to where the railway again begins. This and a break at Lake Balkan, where connection is also

NEWFOUNDLAND POLITICS. The Retiring Premier Finds an Obstacle

in the line, and before long these will To His Little Plans. no longer exist, as work has already been begun on a continuation of the line St. John's, Nfid., Nov. 16 .- The minalong the banks of the Amoor and around istry headed by Sir William Whiteway Lake Balkan. From this lake to the formally resigned office this evening. Be-Siberian boundary at Afa-Samara about fore resigning Sir William wished to fill all the vacancies in the civil service ten large cities, with a population aver with his defeated supporters and their followers, but Sir Herbert Murray, the are strong military posts and many are strong military posts and many soldiers are stationed at each. governor, refused to sanction any per-Work has just been commenced on a manent appointments and consented to line from Vladivostock through northern authorize only acting appointees. The cabinet of Sir James Winter will The cabinet of Sir James Winter will Manchuria to Blagowreschensk, paral-ssume office at noon to-morrow, and, leling the other line, and by which the journey will be shortened about 1,500 following the precedent created by the This line is being built by virtue miles. controversy between Lord Aberdeen, the Governor-General of Canada, and Sir of a concession between Russia and Charles Tupper, while premier last year, China. will insist upon the cancellation of all Mr. Gavetski says the country through which the road passes is fabulously rich in minerals—far richer than Cariboo, these appointments immediately. The new premier will probably immediately on attaining power claim a re-presentation for the colony of Newfound-California or Klondike, and there is more of it and more variety. There is land at the reciprocity conference begold, both quartz and placer, silver, coal tween the United States and Canada, and other minerals. Many companies are at work there, but the majority now sitting at Washington. His justi-

fication for this step is the fact that the goes to the Russian government, who late James G. Blaine, when secretary of state, signed a reciprocity convention with Newfoundland, dated in 1890. on the mineral taken out by them. These The British government disallowed this treaty because Canada was not included mines, Mr. Gavetski says, employ thousands and thousands of men, and now that the railway is open and the mine in its preferential arrangements. Now Newfoundland will claim that Canada is operators are able to send their minerals not entitled to negotiate for reciprocity to Russia the work will be greatly inunless Newfoundland is included in the

creased. The new road, he says, is liberally patronized and will undoubtedbenefits of the scheme. ly be a paying institution. Mr. Gavetski has recently visited the BRITISH GUNBOATS COMING. island of Saghalien, in the Okhotsk sea, where the evil-doers of Russia are sent San Diego, Cal., Nov. 17 .- From officers of the Wild Swan, the British gunboat which has arrived here, it is learned that reinforcements now on the way to the British North Pacific squadron will make it the most powerful fleet that Great Britain has ever had in these waaverage number of prisoners sent to Sagbalien yearly is 200, so it will be seen that the convict colony is in no danger of becoming depopulated. Mr. Gavetski is now on his way to ters. There are now en route two cruisers, the Leander and Phaeton, and with them are two torpedo chasers, the Sparrow Hawk and Slasher.

The Canadian representatives were hospitably received, frankly talked with and participated in a free and frank discus-New York, Nov. 17 .- The Sun publish-

es to-day a dispatch from Pittsburg covering an interview had by its repres ative there last night with Sir Charles Tupper, who passed through the city yesterday on his way to New York. Sir Charles is reported as saying: "Reci-procity is no nearer accomplished than some of his old-time form. Since the two can effect anything. "His trip to Washington was the out-

"His trip to Washington was the out-come of my criticism of his speech made , his best days Isom was one of the most when he announced his policy to make a vigorous light-weight riders in the conntreaty with England granting the mother | try. The best horse Isom repeatedly

treaties Germany, Belgium and Holland would have to be included in any arrangement with Canada providing special tariff privileges with England. "Such being the case, the United States might as well be included, and I says: think that was why Sir Wilfrid Laurier went to Washington. I would be glad to see good feeling between Ottawa, London and Washington, and whether 1 shall oppose Sir Wilfrid's policy with regard to the United States will depend upon the nature of the arrangements he may prepare as a result of his negotiations with Washington."

OPERA HOUSE ANGEL.

New York, Nov. 17 .- "Shall the government continue to be an angel for an opera house?" is the burning question upon which hinges the result of the pres idential election in Costa Rica. One of the passengers on the Atlas

mand. liner Adirondack, which has just arrived from Port Limon, was Gabriel Martin, a prominent citizen of San Jose, the work the ground themselves. The com-panies are all forced to pay a royalty to Paris on business connected with the to Paris on business connected with the new opera house. This opera house cost between \$6,000,000 and \$7,000,000, and was built by the wealthy residents of Costa Rica. The government keeps it running by a subsidy.

Mr. Martin says that the Costa Rica presidential election began Monday and will continue until to-night. They vote for three days in Costa Rica.

The great question in the election is the government subsidy to the opera house. President Iglesias favors the United States commissioner empowered to languish in durance vile. There are 60,000 prisoners there, and all are placed at work in the coal and lead mines. The NEWSPAPER MEN CAN'T GO.

Washington City, Nov. 17 .- The treasnry department has received a numbe

of applications from newspapers for permission to send representatives on the expedition for the relief of the ice-bound

BRAZILIAN AFFAIRS.

New York, Nov. 17 .- A dispatch to the Herald from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, have the right to demand from them The police, through a confession made hind, them, and that in America there

to them, have learned that the plot to kill President Moraes is of far greater ericans, or Irish-Americans, or Amerimagnitude than was at first thought. As a result of this confession many new "And for that wretched party spirit a result of this confession many new "And for that wretched parts and which to serve temporary political ends which to serve temporary political ends

The Brazilian press demands that the is capable of risking the permanent horgovernment investigate the distribution rors of an alienation between nations by the Italian legation of the indomnity which are absolutely one in origin, in paid two years ago, as the result of the character, in interest, in responsibility anti-Italian riots in San Pablo. from God, in language, in history, and The relations between Italy and Bra- in religion, there ought to be zil are daily becoming more complicated. The legation insists upon the degrada-tion of the officials of Spiritu Sancto, who are secured of complication of spiritu Sancto, who are accused of connivance in the re- and most incessant rebuke. cent Italian outrages. The government has so far evaded a reply to this de-

GOVERNMENT OF ALASKA.

land. War would be only less fratri-cidal than our unfortunate rebellion, but San Francisco, Nov. 17.—Senator Per-kins declares that he is opposed to the granting of an territorial form of govthe prevention of it must not be by the mae erhment to Alaska at present. When council, but by the cultivation of the oppress converses he proposes to intro-duce a joint resolution providing for the appointment of a commission to prepare civil and criminal codes for the governtrue spirit and temper of the peoples of both nations."

TRAIN DERAILED.

ment of Alaska. The senator favors the plan of Louis Sloss, to divide Alaska inconvenient districts, each to have a

to enforce the laws. BAPTIST CONGRESS.

Chicago, Nov. 17 .- "Is Baptism a pre-

requisite to the Lord's Supper?" was the topic discussed last night at the annual meeting of the Baptist congress The

GUNBOATS AT HAWAII.

San Francisco, Nov. 17.-The gunboat

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 17.—A passenger train on the Cleveland, Canton and Southern Rallway was derailed this miles this side of Honolulu. Commander cruisers, the Leander and Pingeton, and with them are two torpedo chasers, the Sparrow Hawk and Slasher. The latter are the first vessels of the tion. The Wild Swan left last night for England. She expected to meet the for England. She expected to meet the