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THE CHILIAN SITUATION.

Nothing New Known in Washington, but Rumors "as Thick as Leaves in Valambrossa."

fight with the Hunsa Nagar rebels, drove them from behind the stone breastworks they had erected above the precipice, kill-ing seventy of the enemy and wounding many others. The force udder the command of Lieut. Smith was about one hundred men. This detachment, composed entirely of Kashmirs, he divided into two corps of Opinions of Officials—They "Don't
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has manner were given or not an not-transpire. Shortly after noon, Senor Pedro Montt, the Chilian minister, after waiting for the Nicaraguan and British ministers to conclude their business with Mr. Blaine, began an inter-view with the secretary which lasted more than an hour. What it was all about, of NEW YORK, Dec. 28. - The Evening Telegram publishes the following under a Washington date: "It is believed that course, was not made known, but it is said that it was largely devoted to a statement by the minister of the desire of the new government inaugurated at Valparaiso, on Saturday, to continue in amicable relations ment will select France, and it is believed. ment will select France, and it is believed saturday, to continue in amicable relations with the United States and renew to the secretary the assurance of his own regard and esteem. General Grant, the acting secretary of war, said, to-day, when asked secretary of war, said, to-day, when asked season will not open till. June there is no great hurry. A prominent member of the wir with Chili. Why do they not talk of war with Italy? The situation or sets Maximum has been consulted in every stage of the secretary of war, said, to-day, when asked for an explanation of the unusual activity in army circles, "it is nonsense to talk of wer with Chili. Why do they not talk of war with Italy? The situation on our Mexican border seems serious to me. I think there is positive danger of our getting into trouble with Mexico. They may complain of our permitting Garcia and his band to pass back and forth across our border. We must have troops to prevent this. It begins to look to me as if Garcia might, speed of the senator, until we shall be commust have troops to prevent this. It begins to look to me as if Garcia might, succeed in getting up a serious revolution. The situation is serious, and we have to look out for things all along the Mexican border." Gen Grant also said that the War Department was exerting itself to prevent further violations of the neutrality laws by Garcia's band of revolutionists. It is believed at the War Department that Garcia's movement is gaining strength.

Secretary Tracy was busy for an hour, today, in consultation with Senator Cameron, chairman of the Senate on Naval Affairs;

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ille, Captain Phillips, of the new cruiser we York, and others. All these gentle-nen did not see the Secretary at the same

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office gave rise to rumors that the Chilian situation was the topic of conversation, but the Navy Department officials deny that there is the least speck of a war cloud in sight. At the War Department neither Acting Secretary Grant nor Major General Schofield, who would certainly be in a position to know had any information of the conversation of the conversation

formation of the intention to appoint General Miles to command the army in the event of war with Chili. In fact, the only

EASTERN AFFAIRS.

Another Engagement on the Pamir Frontier-The Natives Abetted by Bodies of Cossacks.

London, Dec. 28-A dispatch from Cal-

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Rumored Resignation.
OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 28.—Rufus Pope ha esigned his seat for Compton in the House resigned his seat for Compton in the House of Commons, on the ground of ill-health. This plea is supposed to be a cover for his dissatisfaction at Premier Abbott's neglect of W. Bullock Ives, who organized a strong boom last session upon which to mount into the Cabinet. Mr. Pope is a brother-in-law of Mr. Ives, and naturally resents Mr. Abbott's neglect of him.

Presentation for "Little Oliver!" TORONTO, Dec. 28.—It is proposed to pre sign of war with Chili. In fact, the only sign of warlike preparations visible at the Executive Departments consisted in the order issued for the immediate preparation of the new twelve-inch guns, just completed at the Navy Yard here, and their transporation to California, together with 42,000 bounds of prismatic powder and 11,000 sixneh shells. sent Hon. O. Mowat with an oil painting of himself on the occasion of the opening of the new Provincial Parliament building. Work on the building is now nearing completion, and it is expected July next will see it ready for occupation.

Hotel Burned at Berlin. Berlin, Ont., Dec. 28.—The Commercial Hotel was burned this morning. Loss, 50,000; partially insured.

Going out of Politics. QUEBEC, Dec. 28.—Messrs. F. X. Lemeiux, Charles Fitzpatrick and other members who supported Mr. Mercier, decline to be again candidates for parliament.

Married a Msisionary. TORONTO, Dec. 28.—The eldest daughte

-The Victorious Parnellites as Jubilant as can be.

Britain's Prospective Queen to be the Recipient of Costly Gifts from the City of London.

Davitt's Defeat. DUBLIN, Dec. 25.—Contrary to general expectation, the election in Waterford city

tinez has been appointed governor of Rie Grande do Sul. A fight between Govern

Grande do Sul. A fight between Government troops and revolutionists is reported at the border town of San Juan Baptiste, Santa Ann and Livrsiento. The government of Uraguay has posted large bedies of troops on guard along the frontier, to prevent Brazilian revolutionists from crossing the border.

MONTEVIDEO, Dec. 25.—Owing to bad telegraphic facilities it is impossible to get reliable news from Rio Grande do Sul. One report states that there has been furious fighting between the government troops and revolutionists. Another says Saravia, Campos and Astrogelda had submitted to the regularly constituted authorities.

Another Plot Against the Czar. aw says another plot against the life of the Can has been discovered by the Russian police. The dispatch referred to gives particulars consening the plot, but, it adds, that a large number of Polish and Russian students and many military and civil officers have been placed under arrest.

The Czar's Brother Said to be Plotting. Warsaw says that it is reported there that

European Tariffs and Treaties.
Paris, Dec. 28.—The Chamber of Deputies had approved a tariff of seven francs on crude petroleum.

Madrid, Dec. 28.—The cabinet finally adopted the new tariff to day. The measure includes provision for the imposition of minimum duties on imports from countries having treaties with Spain, and the placing of maximum rates on imports from other countries. The duty on cork is

BUDA-PESTH, Dec. 28.—The Upper Honse of the Hungarian diet has passed the treaties recently, negotiated between treaties recently, negotiated between Austro-Hungaria and Germany, Belgium, Switzerland and Italy separately. These treaties have been passed by the Lower treaties have been passed by the House. The diet was then dissolved.

Twins Born to Belle Bilton LONDON, Dec. 28.—Countess Clancarty who was formerly well known as Belle Bilton, a concert hall singer, was delivered of twins, yesterday morning. Both of the children are boys. These births amply provide for the direct succession to the earldom of Clancarty and several other titles which belong to the holder of that earldom. It is believed that the event will lead to the complete re-union of the family relations, which were badly strained by the marriage of the present earl, who was then Viscount of Dunlo, to the well-known con cert hall singer.

Duel to follow Debate.

PARIS. Dec. 28 .- The Chaduoine affair otherwise the expulsion of a French journal ist. M. Chaduoine, from Bulgaria, and the ist M. Chaduone, from Bulgaria, and the severance by France of all diplomatic relations with that country, was the cause of an animated debate in the Chamber of Deputies to-day. Ribot, the ministor of foreign affairs, in answer to a question put to him on the subject by M. Millevoye, said that Greece, Italy and Germany, in addition to France, complain of the manner in which the Bulgarian government had answered the French government's cepresentations regard-TORONTO, Dec. 28.—The eldest daughter of Justice Burton, of the Court of Appeals, was wedded to McPherson, of the Presbyterian Church, New Zealand, on Saturday.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 28.—While crazed with grippe Mrs. Loudon, wife of a policeman, shot and killed herself yesterday in Covington, Ky.

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and M. Millevoye. The result was that these gentlemen have selected seconds, and the latter are making the arrangements for a southle meeting between their principals.

Shipwreck on the French coast.

Paris, Dec. 28.—An account of wreck and loss of life has been received from the Arcachon fisheries, a port 35 miles from Bordeaux. The French steamer Albatross, engaged in the oyster fishery at Arcachon was wrecked and eleven of her orew in fact the whole with the exception of one man, were drowned.

Another Grit Victim of the Election Courts—Suspension of the Montreal Herald.

Laurier and Mercier Pulling in the Same Boat—Seizure of Lottery Tickets.

Mismanagement of Vatican Funds. Rome, Dec. 28. The deposition of Monsignor Folchi from the position of prelate for bribery by agents. and vice-camerlingue of the apostolic cham-ber is considered an evident sign of the inber is considered an evident sign of the inexactitude of the past administration. This
degradation is the result of the report of a
commission of cardinals appointed to inquire into the financial position of the Holy
Sec. The administration of Peter's pence
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Sir William White Dead. Berlin, Dec. 29.—Sir William Arthur White, British Ambassador to Turkey died from influenza, here, yesterday. Sir William Arthur White was an eminent English diplomat, and gained fame by the leading part he took in the conference of 1885 on the Bulgarian question.

Collier, the Composev, Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Alfred Collier, the composer, is dead. He had been suffering from influenza for two weeks, and was unable to finish the orchestration of "The Mountebanks," a comic opera, the joint work of himself and W. S. Gilbert, in time for the production at the date first selo.

The Grip in Italy.

ROME, Dec. 28.—The Duchess Isabella of Genoa, sister-in-law of the queen of Italy, is suffering from influenza. The disease is widely prevalent in France and Bergamo. MILAN, Dec. 28.—The grip in this city and surrounding country is causing many

General Booth in India. MADRAS, Dec. 28.—Booth, the head of the Salvation Army, is holding very success-ful meetings in this city. Large sums of money have been subscribed.

Grain Frauds in Russin. St. Petersburg, Dec. 29.—The scandal arising from the discovery of adulterated flour is apt to make trouble for a number of people. The consignment comprised 300, 000 peods, or 7,800,000 English pounds of barley flour purphased from dealers in Liban with a view of regulating the price of wheat in the St. Petersburg market, as well as to afford relief to the famine sufferers. The entire consignment had been adulterated with chalk dust and other substances. These composed such a large puoportion of the consignment that the use of the alleged flour would constitute a very dangerous menace to the health, if not the lives of those who partook of it. In speaking of the fraud, the Nove Vremya remarked that it is not frauds can be perpetrated in the capital of the empire, the appalling accounts of similar crimes in the famine stricken provinces cannot be exaggerated. flour is apt to make trouble for a number of

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LONBON, Dec. 29.—Augustin Ross, the new Chilian minister to Great British, left cards, yesterday, at the British foreign office and the various legations. Britain's Ambassador to Russia.

DON. Dec. 29.—The Lord Churchill's ambition to represent Great Britain at St. Petersburg were silenced this afternoon by the announcement that Lord Hussey Vivian, who, since 1884, has repre sented Great Britain at the court of Brus-sels, with the rank of Minister, has been promoted to St. Petersburg as Ambassador to the Czar. Lord Vivian is about 57 years to the Czar. Lord Vivian is about 57 years of age, and has been in the diplomatic service about 17 years. As Consol General in Moldavia and Wallachia he became intimately acquainted with the Russian and Eastern methods of intrigue, and it was this and his experience that led to his present advancement. The transfer of Sir Robert Morier to Rome from St. Petersburg is partly on account of his health, being unable, owing to increasing age, to bear the rigorous climate of the North.

The Kalser Expected to Cross the Atlantic. London, Dec. 29.—From inquiries made in behalf of the German embassy relative to the sailing of the Teutonic, and, from

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The Russian Secret League.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—The police have made a large number of arrests in Russian Foland as a result of the discovery of a secret league, the object of which was to assassinate the Czar. It is thought that many persons connected with the conspiracy have taken fright at the knowledge of the discovery of their plans by the police and will seek safety by flight. The authorities have ordered the frontier closely with the electors would by their votes approve the safety by bright. The suthorities have ordered the frontier closely with the slander policy. He dealt at length with the slander policy. He dealt at length with the slander policy of the Opponance of the Courtand, Baron Mann, a well-known land owner, was sentenced to four months' imprisonment for tearing down the Imperial arms which stood over the door of the court at that place.

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The Inland Revenue bulletin analysis of distilled liquors is just out. Analysist Mc-Farlane sums up the result as follows:

"First, that the opinion held by many regarding the injurious character of substances added to spirits for various purposes is destitute of sufficient foundation. Some of the essences, ethers, etc., used by compounders may be in themselves injurious, but the quantities used are so minute that in the resulting product they have no worse effect than the diluted alcohol with which they are mixed. Second, in with which they are mixed. Second, in many cases liquors are sold under erron designations, being merely imitations."

ONCE MORE IN AMERICA. Captain Alexander McLean Out of the Clutcher

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Capt. Alex ander McLean, late commander of the American sealer James H. Lewis, has arrived from Siberia, and is quartered at the Angel Islander. He brings with him a fragment of the flag which was cut down from ment of the flag which was ent down from the masthead of the American vessel by sailors from the Russian cutter. Capt. Mot Lean tells this story: "We were 25 miles off Copper Island, when, on August 2nd, the Russian cutter bore down on us, and without any parley seized the James Hamilton Lewis and placed a prize crew on board. The American flag was floating at the masthead, and as the halyards were jammed and cut it was no essy matter to get it down. Several attempts were in behalf of the German embassy relative to the sailing of the Teutonic, and, from reports that have come from Berlin, there is reason to believe that the Kaiser intends to make a visit incognito to the United States. The Teutonic will leave Liverpool for New York on January 6th, and, if the Kaiser intends to get it down. Several attempts were make a visit incognito to the United States. The Teutonic will leave Liverpool for New York on January 6th, and, if the Kaiser in cogs, it will probably be on that date, unless he should be offended by the discovery of his plans.

Prince Christian Blinded.
London, Dec. 29.—The injuries from which Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderberg is suffering are the result of an accident. The Queen and members of the royal family were spending the Christians holidays at Osborne House, Isle of Wight. The day before Christmas, while a party was shooting, birds rose be tween the Duke of Connaught and Prince Christian. Shots were fired. Three entered Prince Christian's face, one pellet at the top of his eyelid, descen ling to the back of the eyeball, causing acute pain from whose gun the pellets one. Although the Duke of Connaught is believed to have fired them. The wounds from other pellets show that the shot was almost speat and had glanced from the bough of a tree.

The Salvation Army purpose having a banquet, in their barracks, Pandora street, on New Year's evening, January Ist.

avail. At last they got tired feeding us and gave us permission to get out of the country, which we did in short order. As soon as we reached Nagasaki, I made a formal complaint to the United States consulthere. I will take the matter before the authorities at Washington and will begin action for damages against the Russian Government."

BOSS BUCKLEY. Why He Was Indicted—Judge Wallace and the "Examiner" His Bitter Foes.

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Tupper said the annexation question would ultimately become the issue between parties.

The census department has received an interesting diary of Enumerator Green's trin to the Nass and Skeena rivers.

The death of Mr. Daoust, M.P., caused the days of his illness. He sat for Two Mountains, and was the oldest Conservative member of the House. He had represented Two Mountains almost continuously since 1854. He was a victim of La Grippe.

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phy at the University of Marburg has committed suicide by shooting himself with a revolver. He left a note explaining that he was driven to self destruction by depression of mind, resulting from the reflection that he should never be able to ABBOTSFORD.

Musselwhite was in the woods cutting firewood, the other day, when a piece of bark falling from a tree struck him on the forehead, rendering him unconscious, and giving him an ugly cut.

The Boots and advanced the man and the suicidal student was a dyspeptic.

London, Dec. 29.—Bramwell Booth has recently issued a book of 160 pages, in which he records the progress made during the year in the working out of his father's great year in the working out of his father's great scheme for the redemption of the lapsed masses of London. Although several departments show deficits the Booths are greatly pleased with the results, and they argue that never before has so much been done to alleviate poverty and distress on so comparatively small an outlay. Much greater results are promised when the system is fairly under way. The report centains the following figures: Expenditure on capital account, £90,000, with an additional liability of £10,000, incurred on subscriptions not yet paid in. ditional liability of £10,000, incurred on subscriptions not yet paid in. The farm colony has cost £34,000, and the working expenses of the food d-pots and shelters have been £28,140. The receipts have been £28,140. There have been two and a half million meals, and 347,209 nights' lodging supplied to the homeless. Slum work has cost £2,807, less £579 donated by sympathetic "siummers." The workshops show a deficit of £1,140 in spite of the fact that cost £2,507, tess £579 donated by sympathetic 'simmers.' The workshops show a deficit of £1,140, in spite of the fact that some of the branches show a profit; for instance, the sale of matches has netted £475, knitted work £100, and bookbinding £400. The over-sea colony will be started soon.

"Your Money or Your Life!"

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.-When the case of Michael Hawkins, charged with sending of Michael Hawkins, charged with sending threatening letters to Mrs. Anna Donahue with intent to extort money, was called in the police court, this mo ning, a motion was made by the defendants to dismiss the case, it being claimed that the letters evidently contained only a begging and pleading for his rights. The motion was denied. Mrs. Donohue testified to receiving a letter written by Hawkins. She understood from the letter that he intended another attack on her life unless she paid the money he demanded. NEWS OF THE PROVINCE.

Contraband Chinaman Sets Bolts and Bars at Defiance-Gored to Death.

Chinese Gamblers Threaten Those Who Complain Against Them-Ready to Go Sealing.

New Westminster, Dec. 28.-A farmer Sun from London says: Christopher A. Buckley, the famous blind politician, of San seriously gored by a Holstein hull on the seriously gored by a Holstein bull, on the C.P.N. wharf, last night. He is now in hospital in a precarious condition.

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A Chinaman, held by the customs officials for failing to pay his \$50 tax on his arrival from the States, made his escape from the froom in the South New Westminster Hotel, where he was shut up, by picking the lock, and has not been heard from.

C. D. Needham has been arrested for stealing \$50 and two valiess in Calgary. An officer from the latter place will arrive to-morrow and take him back. Needham has often visited the province with theatrical troops.

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New Westminster, Dec. 29.—A rich strike of silver ore has been made about two miles from Mission City. It is said to assay \$200 to the ton, and the ledge has been defined for some distance. There is much excitement in consequence in the neighborhood, and all the farmers are staking claims. Over a hundred have been recorded so far.

Mr. Moresby and Dr. McGuigan have left for Bickley Bay to investigate the death of William Small, a logger, supposed to have been drowned on Dec. 5. Marks of violence were found on the body, and the Bickley Bay people demanded an inquest.

A Swede named Anderson was found yesterday afternoon in a small shack near the city, horribly emclated for want of food.

A man chopped off the little finger of bis right hand and nearly bled to death yesterday. When taken to the doctor he said he had only followed out the scriptural injunction, "If a member offend thee, cut it off." A doctor examined the man and pronounced him insane.

VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, Dec. 28.—This afternoon the Chinese gambling case came up before Justices McLean and Schofield, and was adjourned till Monday. Mah Hong and another boy from the Chinese Mission, were the complainants. When parties were leaving the court, and had reached the corner of Hastings and Cambie streets, Pong Deh, one of the defendants, said something in Chinese to the complainants, and at the same time pulled a revolver. Mah Hong and his companion started on the run for the Court House and laid information against Pong Deh. Officer W. S. Patterson now has a warrant for his arrest. A great many of these Chinese gamblers, who are all highbinders, go armed.

The sealing schooner Beatrice is alongside the C.P.R. wherf taking on supplies. It is expected that she will be ready to start for Behring Sea on Monday.

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Vancouver, Dec. 29.—Owing to neglect of orders from the president of the Westminster Tramway Co., relating to clearing the track of snow, a change has been made in the traffic management of the road, W. D. Burdis being appointed traffic superintendent.

Steamer Etta White, which arrived from the North, last night, had a very stormy passage. She brought word of the accidental shooting of John McLaughlin, at Bickley Bay. The unfortunate man was taking a gun from a boat, when the trigger caught and the gun was discharged, the ball striking him in the head, causing instant death.

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It is reported that an experienced ore handler, from Arizona, is now in the city, negotiating for the purchase of the smelter property. He has sent samples of the ore to his partner in Arizona, and is awaiting his reply before going farther in the matter. Robt. Storm, a practical brick-maker, from Australia, is now in the city, trying to induce capitalists to take stock in a company to manufacture pressed brick. not The Pope's Temporal Power.

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A Student Suicide.

Berlin, Dec. 29—Johann Craft, a student of philosophy at the University of Marburg,

on be in full swing.

him an ugly cut.

The new schoolhouse is completed, and reflects great credit upon its builder, Mr. Roscoe. The trustees have secured the services of Miss Coghlan, at present at

The C.P.R. have at last built a platform here, which is a great convenience, but what is needed most is a freight shed.

NANAIMO, Dec. 29. - Foreman and Can NANAIMO, Dec. 29.—Foreman and Campbell have chartered the S.S. Esperanza, and she will be used for logging purposes.

J. A. McAloney, while at work in the Southfield mine, Saturday, received a serious injury to his arm, caused by the fall of a lot of rock.

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On Sunday morning, the members of Ashlar Lodge, No. 3, A.F. and A.M., attended Divine Service at the Methodist church. The Rev. W. W. Baer, pastor, delivered an address, taking as his text the 17th verse of the 3rd chapter of the II. Chronicles He spoke at some length on the aims and objects of Masonry, which was highly appreciated by his hearers. The annual ball took place at the Opera-House, last night, and was a great social success.

STAVE RIVER VALLEY.

DEWDNEY, Dec. 24.—The men employed in building the government sleigh road were paid off last week, the appropriation having-been expended. As far as the money went-the highest possible amount of work and best results were attained. The road is a credit to all engaged in its construction.

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Dewdney is connected with Nicomen Island by a ferry, thus affording easy communication with the Islanders.

The Dewdney farmers are jubilant over the prospect of the early commencement of the canal to connect the Fraser with Burrard Inlet. Besides giving them a saltwater market, it will benefit and reclaim much of their land.