Hews of the Day Selected From Tuesday's Evening Times.

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Provisional Government Has Fortified the Government House.

MASS MEETING FOR ANNEXATION

Any Action Toward Restoration Will be Made an Act of War-Warning From American Business Men to Their Government-Arawa Here.

placed the damaged Miowera on the three months. He went to the Australthis morning. She have in sight be to confer with the different governments elections." tween the Race and Bentik island at daylight and at 9 o'clock was tied up business between the two countries by from the city, the motion was laid over at the outer wharf. She came in in the new steamship line. A Times man until the next meeting. charge of Capt. Babbington, pilot. She left Sydney on Nov. 18th, called at Fiji, was held over a day at Honolulu, and as she came up at a speed of 12 1-2 as she came up at a speed of She left Sydney on Nov. 18th, called at Fiji, was held over a day at Honolulu, and a very successful one," said he, "when a very successful one," said he, "when you consider the colonial trade laws. She charge of Capt. Babbington, pilot. She met the minister on the deck of the knots was delayed in getting here. She came from Honolulu in seven days and

a half. The political situation at Honolulu is practically unchanged, although the annexationists and Royalists have by no means rested on their oars since the last eports were received. The castle or government house as it is now called has been barricaded and protected by week preceding the sailing of the Arawa. On Monday, Dec. 4th, as the vessel steamed out of the harbor. the troops could be seen from the deck of the ship extending the work which is to make government house a fort. The evident intention of the government is to make any attempt on the part of the United States at restoration an act of war. On the night of Dec. 24th a mass meeting of annexationists attended by 1,000 people was held. The tenor the speeches and the resolutions were in favor of an appeal to the congress of the United States and the public sentiment of that nation over the action of Secretary Gresham, On Dec. 2nd a sort of protest or warning signed by all the leading subjects of Uncle Sam in Honolulu was presented to Minister Willis, In it he, President Cleveland, Secretary Gresham, Secretary Herbert and Admiral Irwin are notified that the in 35 days, 7 1.2 hours, via the Cape of United States will be held to answer for any loss of life or property caused by any precipitate action taken by them. Queen Lil has published a denial of the best mean, Plymouth to Tasmania, Her statement that she called on Minister Willis for aid and was referred to the provisional government. F. W. Wundenberg, clerk of the circuit court, was suspended on Nov. 30th, and is to be impeached or otherwise punished for the

statements made by him to Commissioner Blount. The annexationist press is bitter in denunciation of him. The arrival of H. M. S. Champion gave rise to steam at a pressure of 160 pounds to the rumor that Cleveland and England the square inch. The saving, however, had agreed on a joint protectorate similas to the one over samos many also forms a party. The Royalists continue to set days for the restoration, the last fixed being the day after the Wildeparture of the Arawa. Minister lis has not spoken publicly since the Star interview, and it is said he is awaiting instructions on the next San Francisco A secret military organization called the American League has been organized under charter or authority of the provisional government. It has pass words and its members are pledged to secure and aid in every possible way annexation to the United States. Its strength is not known. The officers of the Arawa did not regard the situation being at all critical. Capt. Stewart

said the city was as quiet as Victoria. Dr. Victor Capron, a coffee planter, formerly of Port Townsend, who is returning for a few days' visit, was a passenger from Honolulu. He is of the that annexation is gaining ground. Minister Bowell declined to discuss the political situation in Honolulu. saying that he had refrained from doing so all through his trip. Among the passengers on the Arawa

was Billy Emerson, the old-time minstrel. He is returning from Australia to California J. W. Butcher, an old-time Pacific coast newspaper man, late of Sydney, is going to San Francisco as the representative of the Pacific Coast Coal After all the steamship Miowera will

probably come to Victoria to dock. Strange to relate she was damaged very slightly, her stern post only being injur-She is being temporarily repaired at Honolulu and will either come to Esquimalt or go to Sydney to receive the new post, which is being made for her in England. The officers on the Arawa believe she will come to Victoria H. M. S. Champion reached Honolulu

on Nov. 21st. The Champion sailed Just affrom Esquimalt on Nov. 6th. ter leaving port à sailor, Michael Butler, met with an accident that crushed both of his legs. One leg was amoutated and the man lingered until the morning of the 21st, when he expired, just as the vessel came to anchor. The Champion was to have sailed for the south seas on Dec. 3rd. On the voyage from Esqui malt the engines of the Champion were given a trial for 24 hours, the result being very satisfactory. In four hours, going at full speed, she made 49.75 miles. or 12.44 knots an hour. A 10 1-2 kno rate was maintained during the remaining 20 hours.

Capt. Whiting, U. S. N., and Miss Afong were to have been married the day after the Arawa sailed from Hono-The Arawa brought a total of 750 tons

of freight and 40 passengers. She finished discharging at noon and was away for Vancouver about 1 o'clock. She is probably the largest ship which ever docked at the outer wharf. She is a ever four-masted single screw steamer of 5,000 tons and speed to 15 knots, but does not run at that speed continuously. She is an elegantly-appointed ship with large, splendidly furnished saloons and

Shortly after the first of January work will be commenced on the Esquimalt for tifications by the Royal Engineers. The

livered. This is being carried on in the ne 260 acres in the farm, which is situated near the mouth of the Esquimalt lagoon, just behind the lighthouse. On the farm near the water is a rock which stands 100 feet above high water. On this rock the principal fort is to be built. This will be the first portion of the work to be constructed. A good fort built on this rock would command the trance to both Victoria and Esquimalt harbors, making them almost impregnabl. W.rk on a submarine forts will probably be left until spring.

MINISTER BOWELL HOME.

Pleased With the Result of His Mission to Australia.

Hon, Mackenzie Bowell, minister of trade and commerce, returned this morn- Post. ing from his Australian mission on the The big steamship Arawa, which re- steamship Arawa after an absence of with a view of entering trade agreements and reducing tariffs, to build up the debate on the question, was absent They are greatly at variance, but there The clause which he wished to be partieis a general disposition to foster trade ularly discussed at present was clause between the two countries, and there is 170, which limits the regular rate of no doubt the result will be highly satisfactory. On the way up the Arawa Some would say if the single tax ideas from Sorocaha, December 1, that was held a day at Honolulu, and on the morning of Monday, Dec. 4th, I met would say if the single fax ideas were in force this 1 1-2 per cent. would the morning of Monday, Dec. 4th, I met the business people of the city. They carry on civic works. If this was so take a wonderful amount of interest in the council should be allowed to lavy a They have already been good patrons of with the tax on improvements and the breastworks and sand bags. This was and show a disposition to do done by the provisional government duranything that will aid in opening a new market to them. The next step in the consideration of this matter will be the assembling of delegates from the colonies at Ottawa next summer. The ques tion would have received earlier consideration, but the elections are on. Mr. Bowell was joined here by his son, Collector Bowell of Vancouver, and went to Vancouver on the steamship. He will proceed east immediately.

From Wednesday's Evering Times. The Arawa.

The Sydney Mail, describing the steamship Arawa, which arrived he e from Australia yesterday says: "The Arawa is one of the best known, as indeed she is one of the finest, vesels spe cially built for the fail service between London and New Zealand. She has made vovages from Plymouth to Hobart Good Hope, speed 14 knots an hour right thriugh. She has made many averages of 15 knots, though 14 was her best from Plymouth to Otago was 38 days 30 minutes steaming, and on that performance she claims to have beaten everything over the same route. Arawa and the Tainui are sister ships They are fitted with the new triple-expansion form cylindered engines duced by Messrs. Denny & Co., of Dumbarton, Scotland, and they use their is very large, through the stem being as it has any force remaining. Conse quently the Arawa, a ship of 5250 tons, maintained an average speed of 14 knots an hour on a coal consumption of 52 tons a day. Probably no finer looking vessels of their size have ever been turned out by a builder than the Arawa and the Tainui. Their great length, 460 feet over all, is made to appear even great er by there being four masts instead of the usual three and two funnels instead of one. The Arawa is being fitted with refrigerating machinery and insulated compartments for the conveyance of frozen mutton, an advantage over the other two ships. She is due at Sydney from New Zealand, where she is at present on the 10th of November, and despatched by Messrs. Burns, Philip & Co. to Vancouver on Nov. 18th.'

Freight and Shipping. In their monthly freight and shipping report for November R. P. Rithet &

Co., Ltd., sav: "Dulness and declining rates have been almost the only features worthy of no tice during the past month, and quotations at the close show a weak mar ket. Grain freights have suffered most. rates in the lumber market being little changed. This, however, is mainly owing to the fact that they are already so unremunerative that owners would rather allow business to pass than accept less. To our last issue we attached a list of the Canadian sealing fleet. with the catches of the various vessels during the past season. In order to make the record complete we now give in a supplement the catches of the American and Russian vessels, landed at different points on this coast.' These figures show a catch of 69,938 skins. which, added to our Canadian catch of 69,741 skins, makes the total for the season 139,679 sealskins. This number is subject to final revision, but it may be taken to be substantially correct as it fit man. stands. We quote freights as follows: Grain-San Francisco to Cork, f.o., usual options, 25s. 9d.; Portland to U. K., 32s. 6d: Tacoma to U. K., 30s. Lumber-Burrard Inlet or Puget Sound to Sydney, 27s. 6d.; Melbourne, 37s. 6d.; Port Pirie, 37s. 6d.; Shanghai, 37s. 6d.; Valparaiso, f. o., 37s, 6d, nominal: Cork, f.

naimo to San Francisco, \$1.75 to \$2. Rev Mr. Coombes to Resign. Rev. J. E. Coombes, pastor of Calvary

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Baptist church, has announced his in tention of resigning his pastorate There is to be a meeting of the congretion to-morrow night, when it is likely that his formal resignation will be pre sented. Mr. Coombes has not decided on his plans for the future. He has a leaning toward evangelistic work. and may take it up. Rev. Coombes came to Calvary church over a year ago from La Conner, Wash., and is one of the most popular pastors in the city. date of his farewell sermon is not known. The pastor's family is in Southern Cali

fornia for the winter.

Hibbard & Norton's sealer Volunteer left Seattle to-day on her sealing cruise. She is im command of Capt. G. Wheeler this year.

The N. P. Steamship Co. will receive former owner of the Belmont farm has \$30 a head for all the deported Chinese will be commenced on the Esquimalt for its steamers carry back to China from its purchase have been signed and dethe Sound and Portland.

SINGLE TAX CLUB.

Another Interesting Meeting in Poincer Hall Last Evening. The winter meetings of the Victoria Single Tax ciub, commenced some time ago, are growing more interesting as the season advances. There was a large attendance at last night's meeting, President Howell being in the chair. Routine business was disposed of, among the communications being one from the city clerk granting the club the use of the city hall for next Wednesday evening and another from L. E. Post, the sin gle tax lecturer, saying he would come to British Columbia in May if he could secure two or three engageme It was decided to endeavor to induce the single tax advocates in the different cities to arrange meetings for Mr.

At the last meeting of the club it was moved by G. Jackson and seconded by W. Marchant "that this meeting pledges itself to support only free Canadian-Australian line, arrived in port ian colonies as Canada's representative trade candidates at the next Dominion As Dr. Milne, who was to lead off

taxation in the cities to 1 1-2 per cent. not be sufficient to raise the revenue to the line, it being the only competing one. higher rate on the land and do away trade licenses. He moved that the city members of the legislature be asked to have the act amended so as to allow the city to levy a rate of 5 per cent.

J. A. Cohen thought the municipalities should not be limited to any rate of taxation. It was treating them like of national stupefaction and surprise was minors and children for a government to say just what amount of taxes the city can collect. It would be all right if the government that limited the rate of taxation would say, "Well, if you cannot pay your expenses with that rate we

will pay the balance. Mr. Berridge altered his motion to suit Mr. Cohen's views, so that it read "to do away with any limit to taxation."
W. G. Cameron did not think much could be done until the city had a special charter. Under the present system the people in the rural districts were legislating for the cities, in which they had no interest.

The motion as amended was carried. Cohen said he saw by the Timer Ald. Harris proposed to introduce a resolution at the council to memorialize the government to alter the municipal act so as to allow property owners to vote. whether they paid their taxes or not. This he thought was a matter of congratulation to the club, as they had seen advocating a similar amendment for some time. It would benefit the workingmen, as it was they who were gener ally unable to pay their taxes. Ald. Harris was not a subscriber to the single tax paper, but he, like Ald. Belyea, evidently read it.

B. H. West suggested that to make the meetings interesting the editor the Colonist be invited to attend and discuss single tax. After a few questions had been asked and answered the meeting adjourned.

SEELY OBJECTED

To the Transfer of the Bay View Saloon

License. The licensing court sat this afternoon in the police court, Mayor Beaven and Magistrate Macrae presiding. There was no objection either to the removal of licenses or to the transfer of the same and everything went very smoothly thill Mr. Yates, on behalf of J. J. Ridehalgh, applied for continuation of temporary transfer to John Roberts. This license

is held for the Bay View saloon. The court was quite taken by surprise to see a person in the audience jump to his feet. It was James Seely, owner of the Bay View saloon.

Mr. Seely—I object to the transfer

ohn Roberts is not a tenant. Mr. Yates-What has Mr. Seely to do with the matter? Magistrate Macrae How do we know

Mayor Beaven-Who is the owner of the property? Mr. Seely-I am the owner. A notice sent by Mr. Seely to the hold-

er of the license requesting him to vacate the premises was produced, Magistrate Macrae-We do not know anything of Mr. Seely in the matter. Mr. Yates-Mr. Seely cannot prevent transfer; he can turn the tenant out afterwards.

The court then went on with the grant ing of licenses, and when they had reached the end the Seely objection was taken Mr. Yates maintained that Mr. Seely had no valid objection. Mr. Seely would

have to prove that the person was not a Mr. Seely contended that the court had no right to transfer a license to a man not a tenant. He had given Ridhalgh notice to quit the first of Janu-

The court explained that Mr. Seely would have his remedy. He could turn out the tenant, but the ownership of the property had nothing to do with the transfer.

The permit was granted and the court adjourned.

Farmers and Mechanics

Provide yourselves with a bottle Pain-Killer. It is a prompt, safe and sure cure for many ills. It may save you days of sickness, and you will find it is more valuable than gold. Be sure you buy the Perry Davis' Pain-Killer and take no other mixture. 25c. is cheap doctor's bill.

American News.

New York. Dec. 13.-The first annual mechanical toy exposition opened this afternoon at the Lennox Lyceum. eral thousand toys, many of new novel design, are displayed. New York, Dec. 12.-Fred Miller, the pedestrian, and his dog, who started to walk from San Francisco to New York on June 25, arrived her to-day. He states he met with no trouble except want of food when he crossed Arizona and New Mexico. Miller left Buffalo on election night. He brings cards and an entry book signed by postmasters

along the route. He says all through New York state he was treated kindly. He looks well but says he is weary. He weighed 178 pounds to-day, being a loss of ten pounds since starting.

New York, Dec. 13.—Stocks opened firm at from 1-4 to 1 higher, the latter in Manhattan, which rose 128 on the statement that the company has the right to build a third track on Ninth avenue.

Sugar sold 79 1-2 and 80 1-2, a dividend of 3 per cent. IN RIO BAY

Preparations for a Great Battle-Admiral

da Gama's Manifesto. Washington, D.C., Dec. 11.-The navy department has received a cable despatch from Rio de Janeiro that indicates preparations by President Peixoto for a big battle between his forces and those of Admiral Mello. The despatch is from Captain Picking, commanding the U.S. naval forces at Rio, and in substance is as follows: "The Brazilian government has requested foreign consuls to warn vessels to move from their present anchorage, and has drawn a line within which it will be dangerous to venture. This will prevent the loading and unloading of cargoes."

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 11.—The government has received a telegram from Desterro, stating that important events are expected there shortly. President Peixoto has dismissed Admiral Gonsalvos, commander of the Tirandentes and Bahia now at Montevideo because of doubts regarding his lovalty General Saraiva has sent to Peixoto a telegram might hear news from there shortly.

Admiral da Gama, commanding the insurgent vessels in Rio harbor has issued the council should be allowed to levy a a manifesto to his fellow-countrymen, saving he openly joins the ranks of those fighting to free the country from militarism and a hybrid alliance with the influence of sectarianism, and will exert every effort to rescue the country from the anarchy and serfdom to which present rulers have brought her and restore the government which in a moment overthrown November 15, 1889. manifesto closes:

"Brazilians, victory is certain. Hasten it by bringing every possible moral influence to help our cause. I call on all the conservative classes of Brazil to cast off the intolerable yoke of slavery im posed by the militarism of 1889, I hope to fulfil my duty as a Brazilian, though the end be death. Let others do the same.

"SALJENHA DA GAMA." The entire medical staff of the navy. which has hitherto maintained a neutral attitude, to-day joined Admiral da Gama at Euchadas Island.

London, Dec. 11 .- Sir Edward Grey, parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, stated that the latest advices from the British minister at Rio de Janeiro confirmed the statement that the Brazilian admiral da Gama had joined the insurgents. The report of the defeat of the government troops at Rio Grande do Sul had not been confirmed.

London, Dec. 11 .- The London correspondent of the United Press telegraphs as follows Advices from Rio de Janeiro dated Nov. 29th confirm the report that the Nitherohi was destroyed. Rio de Janeiro, it is said, was damaged less than reported. Admiral Mello, having conservative association a motion ex-respected the city, he was gaining symbathy in the different states. Forces expected from the south to effect a landing in favor of Mello.

Peixoto's provincial forces, having been engaged at hazard and being without the next meeting. discipline, are committing acts of ruffianism and are entirely beyond the control of their commanders, in spite of He was born in Kingston 71 years ago, an edict threatening them with severe nunishment if found guilty of any pil-

The inhabitants of Rio de Janeiro are under strict espionage and afraid to speak except in favor of Peixoto. The newspapers publish only favorable reports, though they know them to be un-

The foreign consuls experience difficul ty in protecting their countrymen from being recruited. Provisions here command famine prices. Cargoes arriving in foreign ships are respected as long as they remain on board the ship. When discharged into the lighters they are captured by the insurgents' tugs.

Debates in the Reichstag. Berlin, Dec. 11.-The time of the reichstag was on Saturday taken up with a humdrum debate on bills of minor importance. In the lobbies also the subject of the commission on the proposed bourse taxes was languidly discussed until the news came of the anarchist outrage in the French chamber. Then everybody wakened up and the explosion was discussed in all its phases. In the course of the evening a number of the members of the reichstag went to the chancellerie to inquire what protection there was against similar outrages in the reichstag. Chancellor von Caprivi, as a result of the scare gave instructions that the guards about the reichstag building be increased in number, and that all the tickets of admission be carefully scrutinized before those presenting them be allowed to enter, although he thinks that the present arrangement in this respect is well nigh perfect. The composition of the bourse tax commission is such as to assure the government of a support of a majority of its 28 members on the commission's report. The intemperate language used by Lieberman von Sonnenberg when the bill was sent to the commission, in attacking bourse operations generally as immoral, and bourse speculations as swindling rather ended to strengthen Dr. Miguel's bourse duty scheme. The proposed wine tariff will stand but the tobacco tariff will have to be greatly modified. A tax on luxuries involving a complicated tariff, and affecting everything in use except the necessaries of life, is under consideration by the government to fill the gap left by the alteration of the wine and tobacco duties. The fiscal projects, owever, will not be decided until after

Rome, Dec. 11.-The banking house of Maquay & Hooker, No. 20 Piazza de Spregna, Rome, and No. 5 Via Tornabuona, Florence, suspended payment to-lay. The Anglo-American colonists of both cities had large dealings with the The Americans in Florence will feel the failure with special keenness, as they had been inconvenienced already by had been used by them for many years. There is some expectation that Maquay & Hooker will arrange with their credi tors to resume business.

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CANADIAN NEWS. The News of Eastern Canada in Short

A great many prominent citizens of Quebec are reported to be down with in-

The big Gilmour saw mill at Trenton, on the Bay of Quinte, sawed 38,000,000 feet of lumber this season.

The C. P. R. traffic receipts for the week ending December 7 were \$380,000. For the same week last year, \$438,000. The governor-general will attend the Toronto board of trade banquet after all, His first refusal created great dissatis-

The governor-general has approved the recommendation of his ministers that the law take its course in the case of Chas. Luckey.

William Hooper, brother of the alleged wife murderer, was sentenced at Brant-ford to nine months in the Central prison

Deputy Minister Courtney, who has

returned from Washington, says he was very courteously received by the memhers of congress. Frank Taylor and Mrs James Wilson

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The privy council has decided to recommend his excellency that the law take its course in the case of Luckey, the New Bliss murderer. T. Rutledge, a prominent farmer of the Virden district, died from the effects of injuries received in a scuffle, weeks

John Shaughnessy, in the hotel business in Toronto for the past 29 years, is dead. He was one of the most prominent members of the Masonic body in

ago, while going on the train to Winni-

The Cape Town board of trade has written for copies of the Canadian supreme court and judicature act, in view of the prominence which the question of South African federation is attaining. Marcellus Crombie, aged 65, head of the well-known legal firm of Crombie, Worrell & Gwynee, of Toronto, died from a sudden attack of pneumonia. He was a Past Master of Ionic Masonic

lodge and for many years treasurer of the County Orange lodge. The latest move in the Toronto mayoralty campaign is a deputation which waited on ex-Alderman Macdougall asking him to run against Warring Kennedy. It is now stated that Mayor Fleming will be a candidate. The contest may yet be three-cornered.

Chief Justice McDonald of Nova Scotia has sailed from New York for Jamaica, accompanied by his son, James A. McDonald, barrister. It is understood the chief justice is on an important mission on behalf of the Imperial and Dominion governments. An interesting case was heard in the

exchequer court. George Leprohon is suing the crown for damages received by falling on an jey sidewalk in front of the Three Rivers post office. Solicitor-General Curran defended for the crown. The decision will be awaited with interest, as its effects may be far-reaching. At a meeting of the Toronto Young

open the question of national schools was put to a vote and resulted in a tie. The resolution will be submitted again at Charles Sangster, the well-known Canadian noet, died at Kingston on Saturday,

and in 1849 became editor of the Am herstburg Courier, subsequent to which he joined the press of Kingston. His reputation as a poet was considerable, and his writings as a whole were well

The Montreal Star editorially urges the Dominion government strongly to appoint Hon. Peter Mitchell as governor of New Brunswick. It believes that while there may be other aspirants to the office, there can be no one whose claims, based on valuable services rendered to his native province and to the Dominion, will compare with those of Mr. Mitchell.

The funeral of the late Hon, Rodolphe Laflamme was one of the largest and most representative ever seen in Mon-The chief mourners were the decased's two sons, Leopold Laflamme, his brother, and Mr. Justice Jette, his brother-in-law. The past bearers were Chief Justice Lacoste, Sir Joseph Hickson, Judge Pagnuelo and several other members of the legal fraternity.

Wm. H. Howland, ex-Mayor of Torento, died on Tuesday afternoon of pneumonia, resulting from an attack of grippe. The deceased was a son of Sir P. Howland, ex-lieutenant-governor of Ontario, and was known all over Canada and in many parts of the United States, particularly in regard to his connection with all sorts of philanthropic, temperance and religious work. He was

The tug Douglas H. Thomas arrived in Louisburg on Tuesday. She left the Dominion Coal Company's barges Lizzie and Alice off Greyon island at 11.30 on Monday night. The hawser parted at the bow of the Lizzie. It was blowing a gale at the time, with snow squalls and a heavy westerly sea. Captain Nutter lay by 'tintil 8 b'clock this morning, but could see nothing of the barges. left when the weather moderated in search of them. There is a crew of five men on each barge. Mr. Adams, professor of pathology in

McGill university, Montreal, late fellow of Jesus college, Cambridge, and Dr. McEachren, Dominion government ve terinarian, 'who made a microscopic exammation of the lungs of animals slaughtered at Deptford ex Hurona, which, it was alleged, were affected with pleuro, have sent separate reports to the government. Both agree that the diagno of the imperial veterinarians was based on the serious error that the animals were suffering from pleuro. It is openly stated at Ottawa that the officials of the imperial department of agriculture deavored to make out a case to establish their foregone conclusion.

Chicago, Dec. 12.-The Chicago post office, situated in the heart of the was robbed of \$7,000 to-night. Andrew Robertson, cashier of the wholesale stamp department, was dangerously wounde in a fight with the robbers. About 7:30 while he was engaged in balancing accounts, some one appeared at the window and asked him how he was

coming out. Robertson replied that he

Daring Post Office Robbery.

thought he was all right. The stranger said that he had sent a boy for stamps during the day and that Robertson had given him too many, and would return them if Robertson would open the door, When the man gave a private rap used by the clerks in the building the door was opened. As soon as the robber was inside the office he attacked Robert. son and a terrible conflict ensued, Stamps were scattered all around the office, several large packages being found on the floor. Robertson was finally re duced to insensibility, and the thief de camped, taking what money there was in sight. The exact amount taken is no known, but it is said by government and ployees that the sum will reach \$7,000 Robertson was taken to the Presbyteri an hospital, where the physicians, sai, that his wounds were dangerous. Up to a late hour to-night the police had fail to obtain any clue to the robber.

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GENERAL DISPATCHES.

News in Brief From Various Parts of the World.

Rome, Dec. 12.—The new cabinet form. ed by Francisco Crispi, will be announced officially, in all probability, to-morrow while driving home, near Kerwood, were morning. Senator Andrea Calendra is struck by a Grand Trunk train and in-, Tatini has been selected for the ministruck by morning. Senator Andrea Calendra li try of justice; Senator Tuigi Ferrario posts and telegraphs; Senator Augusto Baccelo, public instruction; Paolo Bossel agriculture. The war and marine lort. folios have not been allotted. At meeting of the council the president of the chamber suggested that measures be adopted to prevent, in the parliamentary uildings any such explosion as that of

Saturday in Paris. London, Dec. 12.-In the House ommons to-day Rt. Hon. Lord George Hamilton, Conservative, formerly first lord of the admiralty, stated that he would shortly move the adoption of resolution calling upon the government to inform the House as to its intentions in regard to increasing the strength

the navy. London, Dec. 12.-Mr. James Kiel Hardie, socialist member for the south division of Westham, moved that the House adjourn for the purpose of call ing the attention of parliament to the condition of the unemployed. Mr. Har die said that acute distress was prevailing in the country. A large number of cases of suicide and starvation were reported. Pauperism had increased, especially in London, and it was necessary. he declared, that the local authorities should furnish employment for the poor. Mr. John Macdonald, member for Tower Hamlets, supported Mr. Hardie, whose

motion was lost by a vote of 175 to 33. London, Dec. 12.-High winds and rain did considerable damage in England to-day. The army printing works, now being built at Aldershot, was partly destroyed. The men at work on the build ing came down in the ruins and several were so seriously injured that they were taken to the hospital. The peninsula of Poole in Dorsel suffered severely, Roofs were blown of and a few light structures demolished. Many streets were under water and much of the shipping at the docks was damaged. Few persons

were injured. London, Dec. 12,-The body of Seador Outram, Mr. Gladstone's valet and trusted factotem for 20 years, who mysteriously disappeared at the beginning of December, was found floating in the Thames to-day. It was taken into the Tower Hill mortuary, where an inquestwill be held. It is surmised that Outram committed suicide. He left Mr. Gladstone's Downing street residence on the night of November 30, ostensibly to meet the young woman to whom he was engaged to be married. He did not meet her and was not afterwards seen by any of his acquaintances. It is conjectured that on that night or soon after he

threw himself into the river. Dublin, Dec. 11.-Sheridan, the man under arrest on suspicion of being concerned in the recent attempted dynamits outrage here, was again arraigned in

court to-day and remanded. Cape Town, Dec. 10.-A dispatch sent from Buluwayo says that King Lobengula has sent envoys to the British ask ing that a number of the British South Africa Company's men be sent to meet him. He desires to surrender and wants the soldiers to guard him. He has abandoned his intention to cross the Zambesi.

Antwerp, Dec. 10.-Last night there was an immense fire in this city. The grain warehouse called the Hanseatic house, a block covering 80,000 square metres of ground, was completely destroyed. Ships in the dock's vicinity were removed before the flames reached The loss in the grain destroyed is 3,500,000 francs, and the loss on the buildings is estimated at 1,000,000 francs. An inquiry will be opened in regard to the origin of the fire. It is supposed to have been incendiary. The Hanseatic house, destroyed by fire this morning, was one of the historical landmarks of the city. The building was begun in 1564 and completed in 1568, from the plans of Cornelius Vriendt. At midnight two men were seen to leave the warehouse and run along the quay. It is believed they were the incendiaries The fire broke out immediately after The docks were filled with shipping. Seamen, soldiers and police made stren uous but unsuccessful efforts to subduthe flames. The tower and the roof collapsed at 1 e'clock. At 11:30 tonight the walls fell, burying a policeman and wounding many persons. warehouse belonged to the city and was insured for 1,250,000 francs. It contained 11,000,000 kilograms of grain and 200,000 kilograms of linseed. One of the firms which ocupied a portion of the buildings claims that its loss

grain amounts to 1,000,000 francs. Berlin, Dec. 11 .- Dr. von Mittenacht prime minister of Wurtemburg, who has been attending the recent debates in the reichstag, has been energetically lobbying against the proposed wine duties as ruinous to Wurtemburg and in violation of treaties between Prussia and the South German states.

Notice of Dissolution.

The partnership heretofore existing between Malcolm Galbrath. John Reardon and Richard Maxwell, under the name "Galbrath, Reardon & Maxwell," sa lozgers, at Burgoyne Bay. S. S. I., was on 8th December. 1895. dissolved by mutual consent. Richard Maxwell retires and Malcolm Galbrath and John Reardon continue the business: assuming all liabilities of the old firm.

Dated 11th December, 1893. RICHARD MAXWELL dec11d3tw1t

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