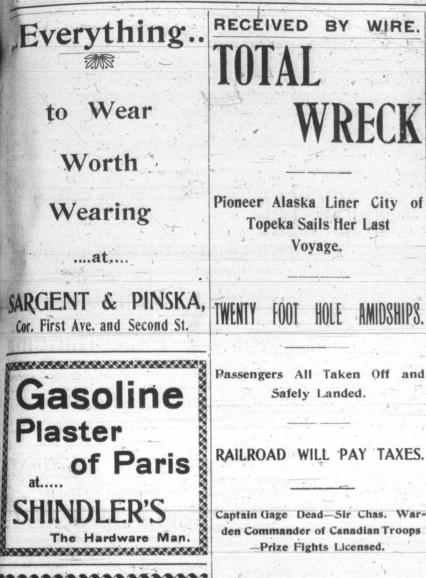
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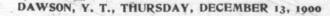
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Foolish Mercier. Paris, Dec. 6, via Skagway, Dec. 13. -In the senate today Gen. Mercier made a red hot speech in which he urges that France go to war with Engand without delay. He outlines how it will be easy to invade England and shows how France is numerically the equal of Enlgand and her superior in instruments of destruction. Mercier refers, to the South African war and says the landing of French troops in England is practical. He pays a high compliment to the ability of French naval officers and moved that complete preparations be immediately made for the mobilization of an army for the purpose of proceeding to war against England without delay. The motion was declared out of order.

England Aroused.

London, Dec. 6, via Skagway, Dec. 13.-English newspapers are very indignant over the motion of Mercier in the French senate with the result that he is being scored most unmercifully.

At Washington.

Washington, Dec. 6, via Skagway, Dec. 13 .- The first measure of the ship subsidy bill passed the senate today. In the house the army organization

RECEIVED BY WIRE. ing, the license fee for each contest mail and a large amount of express, all of which was brought that far by **M'KINLEY'S** horse team, but which, owing to the condition of the trail, could not be brought further by that means of transportation. This story probably accounts for the tardy mail service, to which the people of Dawson have been subjected for the past two months.

Previous reports to the effect that the incoming mail had passed Ogilvie are incorrect, as, up to noon today, it had not even reached Stewart. As compared with the service of this time last year the present is a mere, fravesty. It is in order for somebody to stand up and explain.

Has Been Overlooked.

Companies for carrying on nearly all kinds of business and the importation of all classes of goods to the Klondike have been organized by the thousands within the past few years, yet one very important article has not been provided for. It is understood, however, that steps are being taken to remedy the oversight by the organization of what will be called the Yukon Christmas Tree Importing Association, and by next year it will be possible to order a Christmas tree from the wholesaler's just the same as it is now possible to order a Christmas turkey. A full report of the organization of the company will be given later.

Thought They Were Kettled.

Yesterday afternoon there was a runaway on Second avenue, which, if it endangered no lives, drew plenty of attention. The sleigh was small but its

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of the Settlement of Chinese Matters.



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DEALS WITH THE BOER WAR.

Relations With Great Britain are Very Friendly -- Vexatious Questions Settled-Japan Complimented.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, via Skagway, Dec. 13 .- The president's message dealing with the terms of settlement resulting from the recent Boxer outbreak in China states that the proposition looking to the restoration of the Chinese imperial authority in Pekin full harmony with the desires of the

"We have held and do hold," states a clause dealing with the question, "that effective reparation and an enduring settlement, which will make a recurrence impossible, will best/ be accomplished under the authority which the