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MARION, Ind., Jan. 15 .- Firter nundred quarts of nitro-glycerine stored in one magazine owned by the S ed in one magazine owned by the St.
Mary's Torpego Co. and the Empire
Glycerine Co., in a ravine two miles
and a half southeast of this city, exploded early this morning, shaking the
entire northeastern part of the state.
Business blooks and dwellings shook
and swayed as if rocked by an earthquake, and the entire city was aroused. A hole at the bottom of the ravine
was all that was left to tell the story.
The explosion was caused by a gas jet
in one of the magazines setting fire to
the buildings. So far as known no one
was injured in the explosion. The
nearest house was half a mile away,
and the occupants escaped serious injury. Telephone inquiries received
here indicate that houses were shaken
fifty miles away.

TO FEAST THE YANKEES.

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BERLIN, Jan. 15.—The latest arrangements in connection with the yissit of Admiral Prince Henry of Prussia to the United States is that the prince will meet the Hohenzollern at Hampton Roads and sail theme to New York.

Elaborate preparations are being made for social entertainments on board the Hohenzollern. By the emperor's special orders a splendid silver service was sent today to Kiel from the royal silver treasuries in the old Schloss. His majesty personally inspected the treasures and selected the service which is to be used on board the Horenzollern on special occasions. Emperor William's programme is that Prince Henry shall reciprocate the New York and Washington festivities with a grand banquet on board the Hohenzollern, inviting the president, the members of the cabinet and others. The curator of the silver treasury goes to the United States on the Hohenzollern to take care of the valuable wares.

CENSUS RETURNS.

Total Population of the Dominion Announced Today.

(Special to Star.)
OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—The total population of the Dominion was announced today as 5,389,666, as follows:—P. E. I., 103,289; Nova Scotia, 459,574; New Brunswick, 331,129; Quebec, 1,648,589; Ontario, 2,182,942; Manitoba, 254,947; British Columbia, 177,272; Territories, 158,941; Yukon, 27,167; unorganized territories, 25,546.

MORE RECRUITS.

(Special to Star.) WENNIPEG, Jan. 15.—A party of about thirty western men, recruited to complete the new contingent of C. M. R. for South Africa, passed through the city yesterday for Halifax from Fort Steele. There were sixteen then from Calgary and the remaining were from Medicine Hat and Regina.

CANADIAN TRACKERS.

(Special to Star.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—The Canadian trackers asked for by Lord Kitchener have been recruited and are now en route for Halifax, from which port they will sail for Halifax along with part of the mounted rifles.

PROROGUE IN MAY.

(Special to Star.) OTTAWA, Jan. 15.—The government hopes to finish business in a three months session, so that prorogation will take place about the middle of May.

THE WEATHER.

THE DOWINDT EXPEDITION.

IRKUTSK, Russia, Jan. 15.-The De-While typedition, bound on an over-land trip from Paris to New York, which left the French capital Dec. 19, leaves here today for Yakutsk, East Siberia, and Behring Straits.

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The Rev. Dr. W. S. Rainsford, rector of St. George's church, derives much enjoyment from the criticisms of his sermons which he hears from time to time. He has an artful way of calling forth these expressions, and enjoys telling of some very frank replies he has received. He recently asked a young parishioner, who is an attentive listener:

"Well, Dorothy, how did you like my Advent sermon?"

"It was very peculiar, Doctor," replied the precocious eleven-year-old, "You read so many texts from the Bible."

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The doctor missed from the services a stern-faced but kindly old woman of New England stock and sought her

"I have not seen you at church late-

ly," he said.
"The fact is, doctor, I have been going to St. S—."
"Don't you like St. George's," the
clergyman asked.
"Yes," was the hesitating reply, "but
there is not enough hell fire in your
sermons. You are too easy on sinners."

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BOER SPY

May Have Blown Up Mule Laden Transport

Or She Has Foundered - Floating Carcasses Found for Forty Miles in Gulf of Mexico.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 15.—It is believed in shipping circles here that a British transport iaden with mules cound for South Africa has been intersepted and blown up by a Boer spy in the Gulf of Mexico, or has foundered. A schooner arriving on the lower coast reports hundreds of dead mules loading for a distance of thirty miles. Phile news has greatly stirred shippens

coast reports hundreds of dead mules floating for a distance of thirty miles. This news has greatly stirred shippers here, who fear that further desperate attempts will be made to stop the export of males to Cape Town.

The more conservative element attribute the floating carcasses to a disaster to one of the British vessels during the storms that have been raging near the coast this week.

Dispatches from Texas, which is only a short distance south of Port Eads, say that the schooner Olga has put into Matagorda bay to shelter from the gale blowing on the gulf, and that Capitain George Peterson reports having seen long rows of dead cattle and mules floating in the water. He describes the range of the dead stock as covering at least forty miles.

Matthew Warriner of the Elder-Dempster Steamer company, which furnishes many of the British transports have been accounted for except one salling from here three days ago. They had heard nothing from her.

The recent attempt to blow up the British transport Mechanician in this port is recalled by those persons who incline to the opinion that a British transport has been blown up. The attempt to destroy the Mechanician was charged to Boer agents.

THE SEAT OF THE SOUL.

An Ann Arbor Professor Thinks He Has Discovered It in Spinal Column.

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DETROIT. Mich., Jan. 14.—Prof.
Lombard of Ann Arbor, instructor of physiology in the University of Michigan, believes that he has located the dwelling place of the soul in the spinal column. He has arrived at this conclusion after many months of experiments with frogs.

Result of the last two days' experiments seem to demonstrate that death through the medium of the brain does not ferminate the control of the muscles. Thursday the professor produced before his class a live frog, from which he removed the brain. It was then suspended by its under jaw. An hour later a drop of acetic acid was touched to its foot.

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Instantly the frog began to jerk and twitch to get away from the stings of the acid. Twenty-four hours later a tiny bit of filter paper saturated with acid was placed against the body. The frog kicked with both legs and dislodged the paper. Placed upon its back, the paper was taken off. Every time it was placed on any part of the body the legs sent it flying.

Prof. Lombard calls this activity "reason movements," and will continue the experiments for the purpose of ascertaining how far the reasoning instinct may go,

A BACHELOR'S LAUNDRY.

One Time He Got a Lace Top Nightshirt With Angel Sleeves.

Up home, when I was a kid, the whole house was on its head half the week getting the clothes done. Now all you've got to do is to send a postal to a laundry. Boy comes every Monday after that and walks off with your bag. You never saw him before; might suppose you were never going to see your things again. Well, of course you don't, some of them. But there's a sort of excitement about that—a weekly game of prize package, or a lottery. Sometimes you get back more than you send:

things again. Well, or course you don't, some of them. But there's a sort of excitement about that—a weekly game of prize package, or a lottery. Sometimes you get back more than you send; that week you win. And sometimes you get less, says the New York News. Again, you may get a style of article that you like a lot better than your own. I had a couple of London-made shirts turn up once, and they were great. It passed for the real thing for several weeks, while my turn lasted, and felt like a hayseed when they were handed on to the next, and I had to keep my coat buttoned again. Laundries are never partial. When you've had your fun with a good thing you've got to let the other fellow in on it—whether it's your own or some one else's. Communistic, I suppose.

It doesn't work out so well with handkerchiefs. At least, all the other contributors seem to go in for unbleached cotton effects. Queer, for I never saw a fellow use the sort the laundry hands up when it thinks I've enjoyed my own long enough. Perhaps it furnishes these out of its own pocket. Anyway, they come stiff enough to stand alone, and if you put you hand on one in the dark you think you've got hold of the sand paper. I scratched a match or one side once—fact. Must be pretty expensive, though, for I notice the laundry always; counts one of these equal to two of my all-linen, monogram kind. And you don't have to share them. After they have once come to you they're yours, and you get them back right along.

You get interesting experiences, too, I sent a plain lavender shirt once, and it showed up at the end of the week in a wave pattern of lemon and mauve. They said something had run. I should think it might have. And once my nightshirt came back with a lace top and angel sleeves. I didn't mind—rather liked it. But they wouldn't let me have it again; I suppose because I burst it out some.

STRANGE HALLUCINATION

Caused the Death of an Old and Trusted Engineer.

PERU, Ind., Jan. 15.-As the result

PERU. Ind., Jan. 15.—As the result of strange hallucination J. E. Sible, an old and trusted engineer of the Wabash railroad, was fatally injured last night. Sible was at the throttle of the big locomotive of the limited, which was thundering along at the rate of 40 miles an hour. When the lights of the town of Attica appeared, the old engineer gave a start, and shouted to Burt Frick, his fireman, "Jump for your life, Burt. The switch is turned."

The sentence was not finished, for in an instant Sible had applied the safety break, reversed the lever and had jumped to escape the crash. The fireman followed, but was not injured. The train came to a stop and Frick went back to find the engineer. The latter lay on the roadbed, horribly injured. His skull had been crushed, an arm and a leg broken, his ribs fractured and his spine injured. He was carried aboard the train. An investigation showed that there had been no danger to the train. The vignal lights of the switch showed an unobstructed sath. Sible was brought to a hospital here, where he managed to gasp out his story.

According to Fireman Frick, Sible had been more or less nervous since he was in a wreck at Lafayette some months ago. The passengers were shaken up by the sudden stopping of the train, but none was hurt.

KING EDWARD

Endorses the Belief That There Will be an Early Declaration of Peace.

of Peace.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—King Edward has given the royal endorsement to the belief current among the public that an early declaration of peace in South Africa may be anticipated. "The war might now be regarded as approaching its conclusion," were the words used by his majesty this morning in addressing the officers of the guards after reviewing a draft of 1,200 of the Grenadier Coldstream and Scots Guards, who starts for South Africa tomorrow. The king's speech otherwise was not important. He was accompanied by Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught, the Duke of Cambridge and Lord Roberts, surrounded by brilliant staffs. A large gathering of private guards viewed the function.

BRIEFS BY WIRE.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 15.—Norman B, Eyre, a son of Prest. Eyre, of the Newton National bank, was struck by the New York express on the Philadelphia and Reading railway late last night and instantly killed. Young Eyre was hurrying to catch a train at the Spring Garden station on the Reading road, and stepped from the footwalk onto the tracks just as the express came along.

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BERLIN, Jan. 15.—Admiral Count Von Baudippi, who is to command the imperial yacht Hohenzollern on her forthcoming visit to New York to take part in the ceremony incident to the launching of Emperor William's new yacht, arrived here yesterday. He will go to Potsdam to see His Majesty before salling for the United States.

JAMESTOWN, N. Y., Jan. 15.—Capt. Conrad Hult died last night. He organized and was for many years captain of the 13th Separate company National Guard; he established and was for a long time the publisher of the Vartland, a Swedish newspaper, in this city, and was the first president of Jamestown common council.

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CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—The great demonstration planned by the German population of Chicago, in honor of Admiral Schley, embracing a torchlight parade of four thousand veterans of the German army and a chorus of a thousand voices, will not be held, owing to this fact that the events already arranged for his entertainment more than occury the time which the admiral can spend in this city. Instead, an address of welcome, to be magnificently engrossed and adorned with a cut of the admiral's flagship, the Brooklyn, will be formulated and presented to the Admiral during his visit.

SPECIAL AMBASSADCR REID.

LONDON, Jan. 15.—The appointment of Whitelaw Reld as special ambassador to represent the United States at the coronation of King Edward has been received with much satisfaction in official circles here. The Globe says: "The selection is a very happy one, as Mr. Reld has always been persona grata in the house, and has done all he could to promote good relations between his country and our own. The name of Mr. Cleveland was originally suggested, but we are glad President Roosevelt and not adopt the suggestion. We cannot quite forget the Venezuelan message to congress."

A VARD OF MILE

(New York Times.)

John Flanigan, the big policeman who has his beat along Third avenue, above Fourteenth street, strolled out of the rain the other day, into a grocery store, above Seventeenth street, and seeing a big crock of milk on the counter, he sall:

"Will ye give me a yard or so o' milk, me bhoy?"

The "bhoy," himself not slow, dipped his finger into the crock and drew a line about a yard long on the counter.

ter.
"Here you are, sir. Five cents please."
"Thin rowl it up an Ol'll take it A. E. CLARKE.

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