JAPAN IS IN A

WARLIKE MOOD

Will Dispatch a Fleet of Nine War-

ships to Chinese Waters in a

France Gets Ready for the Fray-

The St. James Gazette Thinks

Paris, Jan. 21.—The French warships

Bruix and Vauban will leave for China

on January 24th, next Monday. Admiral

De Beaumont has been appointed com-

mander-in-chief of the French squadron.

London, Jan. 21.-A special despatch

from Paris, published this afternoon,

says that orders have been received at

Cherbourg and Toulon respectively to immediately prepare the battleship Bruix

and the battleship Vauban to reinforce

the French squadron in the far east.

The Bruix is a steel vessel of 4,754 tons displacement and 9,049 indicated horse

power. Her speed is estimated at over

18 knots and she carries a crew of near-

y 400 men. The Vauban is a steel ves-

sel of 6,208 tons and 4,560 indicated

horse power. She has a nominal speed

of about 14½ knots, and carries a crew of

Yokohama, Jan. 21.-A fleet of nine

warships will leave in the course of a

week for Chinese waters, the Mikado

previously inspecting the Yarshima Fuji,

a steel barbette ship of 12,450 tons dis-

placement. An address has been issued

appointing Lieut.-Gen. Viscount Kawa-

kami chief of staff and creating a su-

preme military advisory council, con-

sisting of Marquis Yamagata, Marquis

Oyanam, Marquis Haigon and Prince

London, Jan. 21.-The St. James Gaz-

ette this afternoon, commenting upon the dispatch from Yokohama saying that

a fleet of nine Japanese warships will leave Japan in the course of a week for

"Japan is prepared for war. That in a nutshell, is the news from Yokobama to-day, and really the first news from Japan since the beginning of the Charges

crisis. It was significant that the

anese government stopped telegra communication, which it never does

cept when mobilizing the army or nav That is precisely what has been don It is almost certain that the destination

of the fleet is Wei-Hai-Wei, and there

combination of Russia's allies in defi-

opportunity in China are in a posi-

The St. James Gazette also gives

prominence to a list of ships in the Japan-

se navy, pointing out its immense fight-

ing strength. "Even with Great Britain,"

says, "a mere sympathetic onlooker,

t is probable that Japan could finish

off all the Russian and German war-

Great Britain, even including the Power-

ful, has not a vessel in the North Pacific

capable of standing in battle line against

three battleships which Japan possesses,

THE KLONDIKE RUSH.

Indications That There Will Be a Scar-

city of Steamships.

PEACE IN OUBA.

Unhappy Island.

CANADIAN BRIEFS.

lature for East Durham.

throat with a razor.

Cobourg, Jan. 21.—The Liberals have

Delhi, Jan. 21.-John Manary, a farm-

Hamilton, Jan. 21.—The investigating

governors of the Royal Humane Association have awarded a silver medal to Al-

Fridays, and return to Calgary Tues-

Quebec, Jan. 21.—The heirs of the late

Letellier de St. Just, who was dismissed

Thursdays and Saturdays.

Miss Amelia Hall from drowning.

nominated Samuel Grandy for the legis-

London, Jan. 21 .- Senor Sagasta, the

ships east of the Suez in short order.

n to enforce their claims,"

ance of Great Britain and Japan, so long

Chinese waters, says:

He will heist his flag on board

Situation Serious.

Few Days.

NO. 42.

It is a weakness of human nature to judge by appearances.

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wichan. The plaintiff as coroner sued an account for professional services dered on the Indian reserve at Cowian. The township resisted the claim the ground that they were not rethe account should be paid by the inion government. The full court d that the charge is a part of the udistration of justice, and therefore un the jurisdiction of the province, and the Dominion. The appeal was dissed. A. D. Crease for the appellant d A. G. Smith contra.

From Wednesday's Daily. he argument in Hobbs vs. the E. & Railway Company was continued bethe full court this morning and will the rest of the day. a meeting of the benchers this ning Mr. William James Nelson, of sland, and Mr. Harold Robertson, of toria, were called to the bar and adted as solicitors. They were afterds sworn in before the full court, be presented by Sir Henry Crease. was decided to appeal from Mr. Jus-Drake's decision in Gwillim vs. Law ety, as the matter is an important and it is thought the opinion of the court should be obtained. The Law ety will pay Mr. Gwillim's cost

SCURVY-STRICKEN CREW. SCURVY-STRICKEN CREW.

ew York, Jan. 16.—Another of the scurtricken crew of the bark Pactolus died
ay. He was James O'Neill and he
at the Hudson street hospital. The
death was that of a Japanese sailor,
en of the crew are at the Marine losl on Staten island, suffering from
vy, but are said to not be in a serious
lition. Still another of the crew is
louveneur hospital with the same dis-

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alth and manhood is fuhy told in an cesting little book, which should be by every thinking man. Plain facts lly stated. No "Electric Belt" non-p, no "free prescription" fake, no C. O. umbug, no quackery, BUT AN HON. BOOK, BY AN HONEST DOCTOR, ed FREE, in plain envelope, securely d, if this paper is mentioned. Address author: G. H. BOBERTZ, M.D. 252 dward Avenue, Detroit, Mich. Estabd 1874.

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CE is hereby given that application be made to the Parliament of Canatits next session by the Central ada Loan and Savings Company of ario for an act to enable the said pany to carry on business anywhere the Dominion of Canada and to condate, define and declare its liabilities, actions and powers, and to carry out foregoing by incorporating its shareers as a new Company.

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Solicitor for Applicants.

ed at Toronto, Dec. 1st, 1897. SALE—At Quathiaski Cove, Valdenid; store, business, stock and prem-For particulars apply to R. H. Hall, RUSSIA PROTESTS.

Threatens China With Reprisals if Taliewan is Reopened.

London, Jan. 21 .- The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "At his second interview with Li Hung Chang on Wednesday the remonstrance of the Marvellous Growth in Her Foreign Russian charge d'affaires, Mon-sieur Payloff, was in the nature of intimidation against the opening of Talienwan. He threatened reprisals and a withdrawal of friendship and protection. The Chinese, while recognizing the advantages of the British terms, as affording the best hope of maintaining the integrity of the empire, are waver-

General Lord Wolseley, field marshal and commander-in-chief of the British army, speaking at a banquet in London last evening, refuted what he called pessimistic rumors current about the army." Lord Wolseley declared that if Britain declared war she could have two of the finest and most fully equipped army corps in readiness before ships could be prepared to embark them. He said, furthermore, that if the men were

better paid, there would be no difficulty in obtaining recruits. There has been a responsible state-ment, though not officially confirmed, that the government had decided to add 7,000 men to the navy, and that the first-class battleship Hannibal, now at Portsmouth, is to be put at once into

Bunkers Cleaned Out and Colliers All Gone to Alaska.

San Francisco, Jan. 19.—There is not a pound of coal for sale in San Francisco except at a few of the small retail yards in the residence districts. The bunkers of the wholesale dealers were cleaned out to-day, excepting what they contracts. The vessels now in the coal carrying trade are not equal to the demand. Many of the steamers that a few months ago were bringing coal cargoes from the Sound ports have been chartered for the Alaska trade, and they are now being changed from colliers to car-

riers of fortune seekers.

All the coal from foreign and Eastern mines that can possibly reach the port within the next two months amounts to 47,000 tons. The consumption of the city and vicinity in that time will be about 240,000 tons. To keep even with the demands, vessels will be required to earry 200,000 tons to this harbor from the Puget Sound and Oregon ports in the next sixty days and there are not enough ships disengaged on the coast to do it. A serious coal famine seems inev-

is no doubt that the government means that the status quo in China, so lar as Manchuria and Corea are concession

as the defenders of a policy to have equal Cuban Insurgents Suffer a Disastrous Defeat at the Hands of General Blanco's Forces.

> Routed From Their Stronghold, Their Buildings Burned and Many Killed in Battle.

Havana, Jan. 21 .- According to information from Spanish sources, General Castellano, learning that the insurgent government was established at Esperanza in buildings constructed by the insurgents, 17 leagues from Puerto Principe at the extreme west end of Cubitas ridge, proceeded in that direction with Montreal, Jan. 21.—A message received 22,000 infantry, 4,000 cavalry and two

by the Grand Trunk states that every field cannons. inch of room on the steamer City of After a three days' trying march he Topeka and City of Seattle, sailing from forced a difficult position on Tuesday Seattle, Jan. 25th, and up as far as Alard overcame the obstinate resistance of askan points, is engaged. Several pas-sengers who left by the Grand Trunk than six miles and burning the houses will be unable to get accommodation on at Esperanza, including the insurgent these steamers. This indicates that the government building.

rush to the Klondike is on in earnest.

The management of the Bank of Monfound re-united insurgents 5,000 strong treal deny the report that an agency of near Inferno woods, six miles from Esthat institution will be opened in Dawson peranza. He routed them after two hours, combat and put them to flight. The insurgents' loss was numerous, but owing to the density of the woods is was difficult, according to Spanish ac-News of the Changed Condition in the counts, to ascertain the full extent of

the defeat. The insurgents left 57 dead on the field The Spanish loss was five killed and panish premier, according to a special 31 wounded, among the latter being Lt.lispatch from Madrid this afternoon, re-Col. Mones.

ported at the cabinet meeting yesterday evening that all dispatches received from The insurgents, under their leader, Montague, engaged General Passo at the Cuba gave "unqualified promise of town of Esparanza, province of Santa He added that this is not only Clara. Under cover of darkness they the impression in Cuba but is also the impression in the United States. reached some houses but the garrison repelled the attack and followed the fleeing insurgents outside the town. The

insurgents left nine dead. A private lispatch from Spanish sources says the attacking insurgends had thirty wounded and that the garri-

sen's loss was insignificant. Although nothing appears to be known er, committed suicide by cutting his on the subject at Spanish headquarters, persistent rumors were in circulation today to the effect that Cahxto Garcia, the famous, insurgent leader, was killed in the last engagement against the Spanish

bert J. Fummer, of Hamilton, for saving The local newspapers are requesting Winnipeg, Jan. 21.—A new time table will go into effect on the Edmonton and the government to pardon all those who have been guilty of offences against the Macleod branches of the C.P.R. on the 30th inst. Trains from Edmonton will cave on Mondays, Wednesdays and

Quebec in 1879, are petitioning the Ottawa government for the amount of salary which the deceased would have received for his full term. They offer to compromise the claim for \$25,000.

CANADA'S MARCH TO PROSPERITY

VICTORIA, B. C., TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1898.

Trade During the Past Six Months.

Returns for That Period Show Increase in Total Trade of \$25,000,000 -Inland Revenue Statistics.

Ottawa, Jan. 20.—Canada's foreign trade has shown marvellous growth during the speaker was on dry land. ing the past six months. The customs department has made up the return for a teacher from Williams county, has died

Returns from the port of Vancouver ROM THE CAPITAL not being complete, the estimated amount crease for the six months over the cor-COAL FAMINE IN SAN FRANCISCO \$3,6000,000. Increases in imports are very heavy in iron and steel schedules. and importation of provisions is more than doubled, largely accounted for, no doubt, by the Klondike trade. There is a large decrease in the importation of Nanaimo Is Placed on an Equal Pootsugar owing to the warehousing in anticipation of tariff changes, and a slight decrease in the woolen schedule. The exports classified and compared with

It will be seen that there is a very heavy increase in exports of farm products and of meat, cheese and butter, and slight increase in manufactures. The rapid mineral development of Canada is indicated in an increase for the half year of \$2,300,000. The only deonly amounts to \$130,000. The returns for December alone show that exports increased by nearly sixteen million dol-

The department of inland revenue ha issued its annual report for the year ending 30th June, 1897. It shows that the quantity of spirits produced during the year was \$2,279,958 proof gallons as compared with \$4,382,210 the previous. Indian corn constitutes the bulk of the raw material used in its production. There was taken for consumption during the year 2,907,802 gallons of spirts, as compared with 2,463,000 in 1896. The consumption of malt liquor was 17,888,000, as compared with 18,-014,000 in 1896. The number of cigars consumed was 113,276,000 as compared with 108 390 000 in 1896. There was a slight decrease in the beer consumed and a small increase in tobacco. The revenue was about one million and a quarter greater than the previous year. There was an increase of fifteen million native-made cigarettes smoked during

STEAMER SPRINGS A LEAK.

Sydney, N.S.W., Jan. 19.—The steamer King Cyrus, Christensen, from New-castle for San Francisco, arrived here leaking badly below the water line and was beached.

THE CONGO MASSACRE.

London, Jan. 21 .- A letter which has just been received in London from a well known resident in the British Congo, dated November 6th, speaks of the sacre of the French expedition under Capt. Marchand being accepted as a

THE RELIEF EXPEDITION.

Ottawa, Jan. 21.-The impression has gone abroad that the American government will send a detachment of American troops with the relief expedition to Klondike. Such is not the case. Minister Sifton says mounted police alone will act as the escort.

SITUATION AT PRAGUE.

Prague, Bohemia, Jan. 21.-Owing to the racial embitterment which prevails the police have prohibited the wearing of party badges and club uniforms under penalty of 100 florins fine or fourteen days' imprisonment. The residence of the manager of the local branch of the Vienna Banking Association was raided yesterday evening by eight youths, who were expelled by the police. The police also dispersed a number of small gatherings. Otherwise the city has been quiet.

O. W. O. Hardman, when sheriff of Tyler Co., W. Va., was at one time, al-COTTON OPERATIVES STRIKE.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 21.—Reports this morning from various New England points show that the strikes in progress the course the action mill creatives were to say that I have need Chamberlain's course the action mill creatives were to say that I have need Chamberlain's course the action mill creatives were to say that I have need Chamberlain's course the action mill creatives were to say that I have need Chamberlain's course the action mill creatives were to say that I have need Chamberlain's course the action mill creatives were to say that I have need Chamberlain's course the action mill creatives were to say that I have need Chamberlain's course the course of the cou

AMERICAN BRIEFS. Successful Submarine Travelling

Teacher Fatally Thrashed. New York, Jan. 21.-One of the mos remarkable conversations on record took place in this city yesterday. It was carried on over a telephone wire. At one end of the wire was Captain Charles Jacques, superintendent of the Holland submarine boat company, in the New York office of that concern; at the other end of the wire sat Simon Lake in the n of the submarine boat Argonaut, eight miles out in Baltimore harbor and sixty-five feet under water. A fairly gale was blowing up above, but Mr. ke's wonderful craft crawled along adily on its submarine way, paying its cable as it went and, Mr. Lake's e could be heard in New York just

Ann, Ills., Jan. 21 .- John McGowan, of over \$25,000,000. Following is the statement of imports for six months:

1897. 1896.

Henry and scott Jordan, 10 and 20 years of the scott Jordan boys had been chastised by the teacher, and way-laid McGowan while on his way to church and gave him a fatal beating. They were arrested. For a time lynch-

s of Those Authorized to Issue Miners' Certificates for the Yukon.

ing With the Other British Columbia Cities.

Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 22.-The persons who have been authorized to issue free miners' certificates for the Yukon are as follows: The collector of customs at Victoria, Vancouver and Nanaimo, B. C., Toronto, and Montreal, the agents of Dominion lands at Edmonton, N.W.T., Winnipeg, Prince Albert, Sask., Calgary, N.W.T., Kamloogs, B. C., and New Westminster, B. C. To these may be added the high commissioner, London, England; A. S. Jury, 15 Water street, Liverpool, Eng.; A. M. Murray, 52 Stenoch Square, Glasgow, Scotland; C. R. Devlin, Dob lin, Ireland. Only persons holding free miners's certificates are entitled to hold issue. The fee for the certificate is \$10. increased by nearly sixteen million dollars in one month and imports decreased by \$3.736,000. The duty collected during December on dutiable imports in December on dutiable imports in the secretary for Dr. Carroll's convenience of inland covered by \$254,000.

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PACIFIC STEAMSHIP POOL

Three Oriental Lines Will Share Expenses and Profits.

San Francisco, Jan. 19 .- Further par-Pacific Mail and the Occidental & Oribear in equal proportion all the expenses of navigation incurred by the three comthey each run four at present. The agreement will be carried into practice as soon as the steamers of the Toyo Kisen

NO PLACE FOR HOBOS.

Thugs and "sure-thing" men will not be tolerated in Victoria. This morning E. J. Walton, who worked the short change game on Mrs. Davis, the prowas sentenced to three months. Walton fore the meeting, and the discussion was took his dinner at the Poodle Dog last quite out of order. evening and tendered a \$20 gold piece, given him and an additional 50 cents, do it again. When she came to count the change Walton claimed that it was a mistake, but the fraud was too barefaced.

FIRE AT ALVINSTON.

on the upper flat of one of the burned stores. The loss is \$15,000 and insurance \$6,000.

MRS. BOOTH'S CONDITION.

New York, Jan. 21,-Mrs. Ballington Presbyterian hospital, suffering from an arterial disease, was to-day removed to her home in Montclair, N.J. Mrs. Booth's condition is very much improv-

A POINTER FOR POOR PARENTS.

Toledo, Ohio, Jan. 21.-Joseph Folk at Kelley's Island, sold his two daughters for \$100, giving them in lieu of money, each to satisfy a debt of \$50 which he could not otherwise meet.

Do not despair of curing your sick head-ache when you can so easily obtain Car-ter's Little Liver Pills. They will effect a prompt and permanent cure. Their action is mild and natural.

THE GOLDEN CACHE

Proceedings at the Annual Meeting of the Company Held at Vancouver on Thursday.

The Trustees' Law Suit Discussed-President McKinnon Still Thinks the Property is Valuable.

Vancouver, Jan. 21.-The second annual ordinary meeting of the Golden Cache Mines Company, Limited, was held yesterday afternoon at the board of trade rooms, Hastings street and lasted from 3 till after 5 o'clock. Mr. J. M. Mackinnon, the president, was in the chair, and the other directors present were Messrs, Wm. Skene, R. Hamilton and John Macquillan. The latter did not occupy a seat with his colleagues, but sat with Dr. Carroll among the shareholders. There was a large attendance of stockholders.

The secretary (Mr. Alexander Grant) read the notice convening the meeting and also the minutes of the last general

Before any motion to adopt there was put, Mr. Macquillan asked if Dr. Carroll The responsibility of selling the shares at \$1.80 was removed from him. That mentioned in the last report as part of

The Chairman-Dr. Carroll stands as trustee for those shares. I don't know whether he has the scrip in his possession. I presume he never asked for i till a very late day, and then, after consideration, I think either Dr. Carroll or his solicitor was tendered the scrip, which, I believe he refused.

Dr. Carroll—I was refused the scrip

by your secretary when I asked for it. The Chairman-Did you ask for the scrip immediately after your appointment as trustee? You never asked for it till a few months ago. You signed certificates presented to you without asking a

I acted on that advice. Mr. Macquillan-I only wanted to know whether the scrip was in his posses-

The Chairman-He should have seen that he had it. I presume he left it board was etlected unanimously as fol-with the secretary of the company. The lows: Messrs. J. M. Mackinnon, Wilcompany never at any time refused to liam Skene, R. Hamilton, all of Vancouhand over the scrip to Dr. Carroll until ver, and Mr. William Munsey, of Vicsuch time as he precipitated the com- toria.

been made out? The Secretary-The matter stands this way: An absolute transfer of 100,000 shares was made to Dr. Carroll. The certificate was not made out; it was subject to Dr. Carroll's order until the com-

mencement of the dispute. When that ticulars regarding the agreement recently entered into by the Japanese, the Dr. Carroll—Under conditions. The Secretary-The law suit was comental steamship companies are now at menced and our solicitor advised us not hand. Arrangements have been made to to give Dr. Carroll any more than was absolutely necessary to carry out the conditions of his trust and advised us before. (Cheers.) panies, although the distribution of pro- not to hand over the certificate until such fits shall be subject to the amount of time as the matter under controversy fits shall be subject to the amount of time as the matter under control of the receipts gained by them. Under the agreement the Occidental & Oriental ed in favor of the company. He read that the directors were in no way read and Pacific Mail are each to reduce their the terms and added: When a demand sponsible for this, but that the fault rested between the shareholders of the numbed of steamers to three, although was made upon the for the certificate I they each run four at present. The agree-tendered it to Mr. Williams, Dr. Carroll's solicitor, and he said he would have to consult his client before taking it, but Kaisha, now being built in England, ar- that he would consider that it had been tendered. I have the certificate in the office standing to his order.

Some further discussion on the subject then took place, and the secretary mentioned that Dr. Carroll had signed transfers for 43,576 shares. This was vote of thanks was nessed. equivalent to nearly half the certificate. Mr. William Skeene drew attention to prietress of the Poodle Dog resturant, the fact that there was no motion be

The chairman, after some further receiving \$19.50 in change. Then after talk, said: I am very sorry, gentlemen some talk he asked for the return of that I have given the meeting too much the gold piece and returning what Mrs. latitude, to discuss questions out of or-Davis thought was the change she had der, and I can assure you that I will not The motion to adopt the minutes of

Mrs. Davis found that it was \$5 short. the previous meeting was put and car-The secretary read the report for the

Dr. Carroll obtained permission to make an explanation. He said that Alvinston, Jan. 2.-An incendiary fire in the early part of July he signed certhis morning destroyed the stores of tificates for \$18,000 worth of shares, al-Mrs. S. Spackman, dry goods; Jas. Morthough thinking it was a pretty long rison, stoves and tinware; and John order. The secretary had assured the Cummings', and badly damaged adjoining buildings. The Oddfellows' hall was than sufficient to place the mine on a sound dividend-paying basis. seven or eight weeks afterwards he was asked to sign a certificate for 6,664 shares, leaving a balance of 50,000. He hesitated to lo that, and took advice, and was warned that if he transferred Booth, after being five weeks in the any of the se shares he could be held personally liable. He then asked for the share certificate. His legal adviser advised him to do so. The secretary refused. He could produce a document giving a very decided refusal. The shares were then at \$1.80, and he was told by the secretary that if the price fell the company would hold him (Dr. Carroll) responsible for any reduction. The syndicate also sent him letters saying it would hold him liable if he sold any more shares. It declared that enough had already been sold to comply with the prospectus. In that case he was advised by his solicitor to ask the court to de-fine the trust. The result they know. He was ordered to sell those shares by the court. (Hear, hear.) He was glad hour.



company had not handed over the certificate vet. The president claimed that the judgment had been in favor of the company. He (Dr. Carroll) was in that position, that if the court said he was to sell he was a winner, and if he was ordered not to sell he was a winner also. was what he went into court for.

Mr. Hamilton: You are president of

the Dominion Development After the stock was sold to Mr. Oldroyd, you instantly refused to sign any more

Dr. Carroll: I beg your pardon. Mr. Hamilton: I can prove what I

Dr. Carroll said that as he was referred to in Mr. Skene's address, he would like to say a few more words. So far from his action having been vexatious, the court had declared that he was per-fectly justified in bringing the suit. He had not bought or sold a share since the terest in the Golden Cache, and still had a fifth in the property. He had been fully justified in going into court.

After some discussion the election of officers was proceeded with Messrs. De Beck, Harris, Macquillan and Douglas declined nomination, and the

peny into a law suit. Then we refused Mr. Hamilton nominated Dr. Carroll, a claim or obtain a mining lease. The to hand it out.

but that gentleman pointed out that ne could scarcely act in the dual capacity could scarcely act in the dual capacity. then the statement just read in the min- of director and trustee. He was sup-

> Mr. Macquillan-Has the certificate The president said his opinion of the property was what it had been from the beginning—that it was a very good one. The more development that was done showed it to be better every day. They were, of course, a little disappointed at the result of the chean-up, but there were many disadvantages' connected with it that had to be taken into consideration. He was not in the least discouraged, nor did he think there was any need for discouragement; in fact the superintendent of the mine reported it to be in a better position than ever

In reference to the induted market value which the shares commanded company and the brokers who, had boomed the shares. He turther added that if any of the shareholders sacrificed their shares by selling at 30 cents per share, the blame rested with the shareholders and not with the directors, and there was no law to prevent this. Mr. William T. Stein was re-appointed

auditor of the company, and a hearty BOLD ATTEMPT AT HOLD-UP.

Masked Man Attacks Portland Bank Cashier in Daylight. Portland, Ore., Jan. 20 .- A bold attempt was made to hold up the citizen's

bank, on the East Side, about 3:30 this afternoon, but owing to the courage and thoughtfulness of Cashier A. W. Lambert, the robber was put to flight without securing a cent.

The bank had just closed for the day, and Mr. Lambert, together with his as-

sistants, was preparing to put the money into the vault, when a masked man entered the freut door, which is probably ten feet from the counter. In his right hand he held a revolver,

while with his left he was apparently holding his mask close to his face. Pointing to a stack of bills behind the screen on the counter, the robber demanded that Cashier Lambert hand them over, Lambert started to pick up the money, but at the same time secured a revolver from a drawer. As soon as the robber saw that he was confronted with a revolver, he turned and fled, but before he reached the street Cashier Lamhert fired a shot at him, which passed through his clothing.

Dozens of people were on the street, and a large crowd was attracted by the shooting, but the fleeing robber soon reached his horse, which was hitched only a block away, and mounting it was soon out of sight.

Some time before the robbery the man was noticed in the vicinity of the bank, but it was not believed that he contemplated making a raid on the bank, situated on a crowded street and in broad daylight.

The sheriff and a posse started in pursuit of the highwayman, but no trace of him had ben secured up to a late