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FIERCELY ARRAIGNED Commissary-General Egan, United States Army, Savagely Attacks Commander-in-Chief Nelson A. Miles.

Extraordinary Language Employed by the C. G. in Denunciation of the Critics of Commissariat Department.

Washington, Jan. 12.-Most vigorous and sensational testimony was given before the war investigating commission to-Commissary-General Egan, who appeared unexpectedly to meet the allegations against the beef issued dur-ing the war. He strongly arraigned Major-General Miles. commander-in-Major-General chiel. He read his testimony from a long written statement. He denied the numerous statements of General Miles. and charges that the latter's testimony constituted severe reflections on the com-manding general, Nelson A. Milesconstituted severe renectable on the cost manding general, Nelson A. Miles-Continuing, he said that whoever called the beef furnished to the troops "embalmed beef" was a "liar, lied in his throat, lied in his heart, lied in every part of the body. General Miles," conpart of the body. General Miles, continued General Egan, "was a man who perpetrated a gross scandal, and who would be drummed out of the service and imprisoned, and should be avoided by every honest man and barred by every club." He characterized his interviews as "felth" "filth

FIGHTING IN ARABIA. The Sons of Ishmael Slashingly Defeat the Osmanli in Pitched Battle.

Constantinople, Jan. 12.—A great bat-tle has been fought in the Yemen divi-sion of Arabia. The Turkish troops stormed and captured the insurgent posi-tion at Sharel on November 30. About 100 insurgents and 2,000 Turks were kill-London, Jan. 12.—A despatch from

Constantinople on December 2nd said it was reported that there had been renewed fighting in Yemen. The Turks were said to have suffered a serious defeat between Hoderda and Wana. The rouble between the Turks and Arabs in that part of Arabia has been in progress for over four years.

THE JOINT HIGH COMMISSION. Sub-Committees on Bonding and Beh-ing Sea Question Hard at Work.

Washington, Jan. 12.—There was no meeting of the Canadian joint high commission to-day, but the sub-committee on bonded privileges and canals held a long session, followed by a meeting of the committee on the Behring Sea question. Satisfactory progress was made on both these subjects. The members of the Canadian and American lumber committee met in the af-

THE SITUATION AT MANILA. General Otis Reports That the City is

Quiet and Business Active. Washington, D.C., Jan. 12.-The sec-Washington, D.C., Jan. 12.—The secretary of war was much gratified this morning by the receipt of the following cablegram from General Otis at Manila: "The conditions are apparently improving, and the citizens feel more secure. Many of the natives are returning. The city is quiet and business active."

FATHER CHINIQUY ILL.

Montreal, Que., Jan. 12.-Father Chine Catholic church, who is known all over the Dominion, is lying at death's door, in the city. He was attacked some days ago by the grippe, and although he recovered he has since suffered a relapse. He is nearly 90 years of age.

munication was interrupted almost every-where by severe gales sweeping over the United Kingdom last night. Steamers

were delayed and the canal service suf-EOME OUTRAGE IN BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 12 .- An attempt: was made last night to blow up the residence of K. S. Knipp, at No. 754 Ellicott street. A bomb was thrown at the house. It struck one of the cellar windows, and the explosion shook buildings two blocks away. No one was in-

QUEBEC LEGISLATURE. Opened To-day-The Speech From the

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Quebec, Jan. 12.—The lieutenant-governor in his spech from the throne at the opening of the legislature to-day said:

Hon. Gentlemen of the Legislative Labors after a year's interruption. Many events have occurred. The departure of Lord Aberdeen is still fresh in the memory of all. We saw with regret this popular governor-general depart from our midst. The Countess of Aberdeen and he have left a lasting impression in the hearts of the people of this country. Lady Minto may be assured in advance of the sincere affection of all Canada. During the period the Catholic Church in Canada has had to regret the disappearance of its illustrious pastor, His Eminence Cardinal Taschereau, who was remarkable above all for the unutterable calmness of a superior mind. Among the occurrences of the meeting in this capital during the month of August last of the international conference charged with the duty of harmonizing the many relations between the population.

Throne

Who Winnipeg Presbytery as a candidate for moderator of next general assembly.

Fort Qu'Appelle, Jan. 11.—Joyner & Elkinton's grist mill, at Fort Qu'Appelle was burned last night. The loss is \$25.7000; insured for \$16.000.

Quebec, Jan. 11.—Sir Wm. Van Horne will be entertained to a banquet at the Garrison Club by the leading citizens of Quebec, Jan. 11.—The bye-election for the Quebec legislature to-day in Matane resulted in the return of Caron, Liberal, by 345 majority. The vacancy was caused by the appointment of May be or primate a legislative labors after the departure of Lordon and Jan. 10.—The Canadian in Matane resulted in the return of Caron, Liberal, by 345 majority. The vacancy was caused by the appointment of May be receipted in the return of Caron, Liberal, by 345 majority. The vacancy was caused by the appointment of May by the Winning Presedent of the forture of the current of the current of the Quebec legislature to-day in Matane resulted in the return of Caron, Liberal, by 345 majority. The vacancy was caused by the a the duty of harmonizing the many relations between the population of the United States and ourselves. The What's Most Called For Must be the Best Remedy.

A druggist's testimony of the popularity of a remedy is the strongest kind of a proof that it will do what it promises of great importance will be submitted to you during this session, the object whereful will be to improve the administration of several branches of the public service. Among these measures I wish to call your very particular attentions. You can quote me for saying that which related that which relates to public instruction. Without in any way affecting the principles which form the basis of our school system, this legislation will materially. contribute to the diffusion and the improvement of primary education. The decision rendered by the judicial committee of the privy council with reference to the respective rights of the government of Canada and of the provincial country has necessitated legislated for this important matter. The accounts for the past fiscal year and the estimates for the year IS99-1900 will be submitted to the year IS99-1900 will be submitted to you without delay. Notwithstanding exact so P. Moody, of Simon Leiser & Co., who treme difficulties my government has been on a business trip to the interior, succeeded, if not completely doing returned last evening.

away with, during its first year the deficit of the previous year, at least, in considerably reducing it. The government has devoted special attention to the most effective means of promotine agri-culture progress. To that end five extablished during the year at various points in the province. Colonization has also received special attention from my government. New roads have given access to regions hitherto uninhabited and which are now rapidly filling up with industrious settlers. Side by side with these agricultural groups immense industrial establishments have sprung up in the heart of the forest for the manufacture of pulp and paper. These industries are no doubt merely at their increase. ception, but we have the satisfaction of knowing that our immense, numerous and hitherto undeveloped water powers, as well as our unlimited and unexhaustd forests, assure their extension for sev

A LOTTERY SWINDLE.

eral generations to come.

New York, Jan. 11.—Anthony Comstock, secretary of the Association for the Suppression of Vice, has unearthed what he believes to be a lottery swindle conducted on a program of the Suppression Reconducted on an enormous scale. Recently he received information from Canada that a lottery company with head-quarters in Montreal was distributing large numbers of tickets throughout the Dominion, and that the concern was also supposed to have headquarters in this so supposed to have headquarters in this city. An investigation of the matter showed that the lottery company's circulars and tickets were being printed in a printing house conducted by Frances Macpaur in this city. Accordingly he arrested Julius Spitzer, 16 years of age, who was trying to escape from the house where the lottery printing was discovered. Spitzer was held in \$500 bonds for examination.

A DRUGGIST'S FAITH.

continental reputation. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall &

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NEW KING OF SAMOA. New York, Jan. 10.—A despatch to the Herald from Washington says: Matauf has been elected king of Samoa to sucnment of Canada and of the provincial nas been elected king of Samoa to superments over the fisheries of this ceed Malieta. Official information to this effect has been received here. The superments are necessitated legislation on its important matter. The accounts for past fiscal year and the estimates for

perimental fruit stations have been es-British Columbia Congratulated For Having Followed the Dominion Precedents in Trial of Petitions.

> A Crown Minister Considers It a Move in the Right Direction, as It Prevents Minority Rule.

> Ottawa, Jan. 12.-The British Columbia government is being congratulated here on following the same course in regard to the trial of election petitions as is pursued by the Dominion, namely, to permit members to attend to their legislative duties during the session by allowing the trial of petitions to stand until prorogation.

SUPPLIES REACH DAWSON. Ottawa, Jan. 12.—The story sent out from Ottawa that the military supplies sent by way of St. Michael last summer had not reached Dawson is untrue. The

Halifax, Jan. 12.—A fire which originated in the opera house has practically swept the entire town of Bridgewater. The burned district embraces both sides of Main street for a distance of haif a mile and includes 43 stores and dwellings. Telegraph and telephonic communication is interrupted and information regarding the fire is therefore hard to obtain. According to latest accounts, however, the flames were spreading and threatening the fine buildings in the residential portion of the town. The fire started about 1 o'clock, and four hours later the whole business portion was in flames. A strong gale fanned the fire and the firemen were powerless to stay its progress. The loss will be very heavy, probably close to a milion dollars. Only two buildings remain standing on Main street. The customs house and post-office and shipping office are all gone. Bridgewater is a place of about 2,000 population. FIRE IN A SIX-STOREY TENEMENT.

People Driven Into the Streets in Their Night Clothes.

Night Clothes.

New York, Jan. 12.—Over 100 persons, men, women and children, attired in their night clothes, stood shivering in the cold while the firemen were fighting a fire in a six-storey tenement at No. 14 Pitt street this morning. Some of the children were actually naked, and their suffering was intense until the occupants of adjoining houses gave them shelter. The fire started at the big water tank on the roof of the building. The pipes leading from the tank had become frozen yesterday, and late last night an attempt was made to thaw them out. In that manner the woodwork became ignited. Policeman. Woodtry discovered the fire at 2:30 o'clock. He promptly gave the alarm and then ran for assistance, bringing Patrolman Stenis. They smashed open the hall door, then while Skenis took care of the lower floors, Woodtry ran to the top floors and drove all the immites out of bed. A panie at once resulted, but the policeman, fearing that flames would spread, drove them out into the street.

CONDENSED CABLES.

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Paris, Jan. 12.—An exciting time in the Chamber of Deputies is expected to-day, and extensive police measures have been taken in and about the Palais Bourbon in view of possible disorders.

Berlin, Jan. 12.—The officers of the Kaiser Franz Grenadiers, upon the occasion yesterday of the jubilee of the appointment of the Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria as honorary colonel of that regiment, gave a banquet, which was attended by the Emperor William the milister of foreign affairs, Baron Von Bulow, the chief of the emperor's military cabinet, Gen. Von Hahnks, and the Austrolungarian ambassador. Count Von Szoeks'eny-March. A portrait of the Bullow, persented to the regiment, was unveiled during the dinner.

New York, Jan. 12.—A Rome dispatch to the single passengers lost their lives.

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the World says that the report that Arch-bishop Ireland is to be nominated Papal Nameto in the Hhilippines its, contradicted at the Vatican. St. Thomas, D.W.I., Jan. 12.—The American schooner Harry and Grace Reynolds, from South Amboy for St. Croix with a cargo of coal, before reported ashore near St. Croix and full of water, is a total wreck.

EUROPEAN KILLED IN WEST AFRICA. Brussels, Jan. 11. — The Petit Bleu aunounces that the Batelas tribesmen of the Congo Free State, who, as announced from here on January 7th, defeated a column of 200 of the State troops on November 4th, and captured Kalambari on November 14th, also captured fourteen whites, two guns and ammunition, and a quantity of baggage. In addition, five whites were killed at Kalambari, which is the chief town of the district. It was garrisoned by 800 men, who deserted. Vice, Governor Wangerneo, who is now at Stanley Falls, is raising a force of men to proceed against them.

VANCOUVER WRIT ISSUED

A prominent minister of the crown said that if this was not the case then it might be possible for the minority to presented Before the Close of the Month of January.

> A Number of Appointments Announced in To-Night's Issue of the British Columbia Gazette.

and proceeded like the preceding sections on the west bound track. A local train which plies between New York and Boundbrook was delayed about an hour, and when despatched from West Dun-ellan headed round the curve at 25 miles an hour. In the cab of the excursion train was James Prendergast, engineer, with his fireman, George Cheshire. They saw the local as it started on the curve, but before they had time to find out what was the matter they were hurled headling and knocked senseless. Many were killed outright. The two engines, now pilotless, for both crews had jumped, the started of the crews had jumped. came together with an awful crash. The came together with an awful crash. The local engine, as if tripped in its faster flight, turned a complete somersault and came crashing down beside its demolished obstruction. But its career was not end-

destroyed. The fireman was killed and Ohio. the engineer of No. 2 scalded. Several For sale by Henderson Bros., whole-

She Brings News of a Tragedy on the White Pass-Gold Found Near Two Alaskan Cities.

of passengers, miners and others, from the southeastern coast. There were very few from Dawson, but four or five. Among these was Constable Dunn, of the Northwest Mounted Police, who brought out the documents and lice, who brought out the documents and service."

act as substitutes whenever the absence of a regular teacher from duty may require such service."

"That the two pupil teachers who have been appointed to act as substitutes under the foregoing provisions shall be paid a salary of \$10 a month for such service." liee, who brought out the documents and correspondence lost by Corp. Richardson near Big, Salmon. He also brought out a prisoner, a miner, who in the pell-inell stampede to the northern gold-fields had lost his reason. He became insane at Tagish and imagines that everyone is trying to steal his imaginary fortune, but he placed the most implicit faith in the constable. He was turned fortune, but he placed the most implicit faith in the constable. He was turned over to the authorities here. There were also four prisoners from Juneau in charge of a United States marshal. They were four of those convicted at the Juneau assizes for misdemeanor at Skagway. These were George W. Wil-The state of the s were four of those convicted at the Juneau assizes for misdemeanor at Skagway. These were George W. Wil-During the opening weeks of the year the Official Gazette does not usually contain many announcements. This year has been no exception to the rule, and the issue of the Gazette this evening will contain nothing of a startling nature. A number of appointments are gazetted and the writs are issued for the Vancouver election.

The Lieut-Governor has been pleased to approve the appointment of Dr. Alex. S. Munro, of Vancouver, as medical health officer for Atlin Lake mining division.

The Lieut-Governor makes proclamation of the issue of the writ for an election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles Edward Tisdal, representative of Vancouver city. A return of the result is to be made to the

Reports have also reached Juneau of rich finds in the vicinity of that city. Some miners recently reached there and told of finds on Gold creek, about twenty miles away.

The rush to Atlin and Porcupine creek on the Chilkat pass is daily growing. A number of the employees of the Treadwell mines have stampeded to the latter district. The stampeded to the latter district. The stampeded to McKee creek is, said to have been disappointing. But few locations proved worth recording.

J. S. aville-Cape, one of the passengers of the Cottage City, left Dawson on the 15th December with a dog team of five and made the run in 18 days. Mr. Cape said the trails, with the exception of Thirty-Mile river, are pretty fair. The latter place, however, is very difficult to negotiate and generally it takes two days to get around it. He says the state of the country is decidedly prosperous, notwithstanding that there are at present about 1,500 men out of work. The unemployed men contemplate returning to their homes about April next. A petition has been sent from the American citizens, to the senate at Washington, asking for relief for the unfortunates. A delegate sent to Washington with the petition was also a passenger by the Cottage City. Whilst crossing the Thirty-Mile river Mr. Cape reports that two men fell in. They were badly frozen and taken to the police station at Lubard's Lake, where one recovered, but the Thirty-Mile river Mr. Cape reports that two men fell in. They were badly frozen and taken to the police station at Lubard's Lake, where one recovered, but the other's feet were so badly frozen that amputation is considered necessary. There are a number of Dawsonites as passengers on the Amur, now on her way down, amongst them being two of Dawson's kings, Tom O'Brien and his wife and Dan Stewart. The business men of Dawson are endeavoring to make a ring in the provision market, but the citizens anticipate being able to break

Sydney, Neb., Jan. 9.—At Sunol, 15 miles east of here, the Union Pacific has had a wreck to day. Train No. 2, a fast passenger and a double header which left Omaha yesterday evening, ran into train No. 3. The engines were badly demolished and train No. 2 was entirely demolished and give such quick relief from rheumatism as Chamberlain's Pain should be with the property of this place, says the never had anything to do him so much good and give such quick relief from rheumatism as Chamberlain's Pain should be with the property of the property of

sale agents, Victoria and Vancouver

THE CHAIRMAN REMEMBERED Mr. Chas. Hayward Presented: With

The regular monthly meeting of the office yesterday afternoon.

The principal item of business in addition to the passing of some accounts was the reception of the report of the

Prisoners Brought Down From Juneau—Major
Bliss Coming on the Amur—Destitution at Dawson.

Steamer Cottage City reached the outer wharf at noon with a large number of passengers, miners and others,

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The report of the examiners, the city

the report of the examiners, the city superintendent; Principal Paul, of the High school, and Principal Miss Williams, of the Girls' Central school, was to the effect that Miss Marchant stood bighest, both in the term's work and in the examination, and that Miss Fleming and Miss Report the conditions.

sequence of this equality of standing as reported by the examiners, both Miss Fleming and Miss Brown were appointed substitute teachers at \$5 a month each

local engine, as if tripped in its faster flight, turned a complete somersault and came crashing down beside its demolished obstruction. But its career was not ended until it had jammed the tender of the excursion train almost from one end to the other on the first car from Shamokin. The car—or what was left of it—rolled over, carrying with it the imbedded tender, the fragments of a dozen bodies, and the imprisoned wounded.

As the dead were pulled out of the demolished car they were put in the rear As the dead were pulled out of the demolished car they were put in the rear cars of the excursion train and taken to Boundbrook. The injured were put in the cars of the local train. Twenty-one were taken to Plainfield hospital, while the less injured went on to Jersey City and New York.

The superintendent of the division of the Lehigh Valley said: "The accident is evidently due to a blunder in orders."

Another Smash-up.

Sydney, Neb., Jan. 9.—At Sunol, 15

As ink. She left for the Sound at 2 p.m.

RAILWAY RATE WAR.

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Montreal, Jan. 11.—As a result of the cut of \$30 in the rate between New York and Hongkong on the Great Northern railway and its allies, the Canadian Pacific has entered a vigorous protest, and the rate war is on again.

Mr. Elisha Berry, of this place, says he never had anything to do him so business on the Chilkoot train, and I. A. Paine assistant agent for the Washing-Paine, assistant agent for the Washington & Alaska Steamship Company, who will be agent at Skagway for will be agent at Skagway for the Chilkoot Railway & Transportation

Steamer Tartar arrived of from the Orient via Honolulu last night. She anchored off the outer wharf, and after taking a pilot passed on to Vancouver without touching.