Three people were burned to death in a fire in a Brooklyn flat.

President McKinley will make a

tour of Porto Rico and Cuba. Only two men were killed in the

Wardner (Idaho) mine disaster. Ten deaths as a result of suicide, and accident is the record of one Sun-

day in Greater New York. Germany is now said to be seeking an ally and wants the friendship of Uncle Sam. German Ambassador von Holleben has been commissioned to

settle whatever differences exist. An area of 20 blocks in the 28th ward in Brooklyn was inundated by raging waters, which washed out the fundations of houses, tore down trolley and telegraph poles, imprisoned people

Charles W. Miller, of Chicago, last year's six-day champion, won the great bicycle race at Madison-Square Garden again this year, beating the world's record (his own) by 24 miles. He made 2,007 miles, and rested but 24 hours in the 142.

Unprecdented secrecy obtains as to the conditions of the construction of the Shamrock, the challenger for the America's cup. Not merely are the most strict precantions taken to prevent a leakage of the details of her construction, but even the place where she is being built is kept secret.

The foreign exhibitors have been seriously affected by the decision of the Paris appeal court in rejecting the suit of a Swiss embroiderer against a French manufacturer who copied his designs. The effect of the decision is that designs and patterns in the foreign exhibits of 1900 may be copied with impunity by French manufacturers, unsethe exhibitors possesse a manufactory in France.

The battle-ship Massachusetts struck a reef or sunken obstruction near Diamond reef, off Castle William, Governor's island, N. Y., while on her way from the navy-yard to the naval anchorage off Tompkinsville, S. L. The damage wrought was considerably greater than was at first supposed. and it is believed fully 90 days will be up his misdeeds. required to put the vessel in condition to go to sea, even if she is not vitally

The pottery trust has completed its organization under the laws of New Jersey; capital, \$20,000,000.

Steamer Roumania has sailed from Savannah for Havana with the first Florida, stationed at Huntsville, Ala., regiment, North Carolina, to help garrison the turbulent city.

The Paris court of cassation has granted a stay of proceedings in the Picquart trial, and thereby invoked the fury of the anti-Dreyfus press.

A mining suit involving property valued at \$3,000,000 has been entered in the courts of California by a Montana syndicate against prominent Catifornia capitalists.

In a recent public address in Wash-States troops during the late war were the Rough Riders.

It is now understood that Major-Genwill be appointed by President McKinley military governor of western Cuba.

The supreme court of Nebraska has decided that the bondsmen of ex-State Treasurer Bartley will have to make to about \$700,000.

D. H. Howard, a New Mexico cattle dealer, with two detectives, is on the the British trades-union congress. trail of Gilett, the Kansas plunger, on whom Howard is \$40,000 short. Howard will ask the governor of Kansas to issue requisition papers for his extradition to New Mexico

receiving lumber orders from Cape Town, South Africa, after a period of two years, during which little or no lumber was shipped to that district. Two vessels are at present under way to Victoria to receive cargoes for Africa.

Sam Smith, trainrobber, has been sentenced to be hanged at Eldorado, Kan., for the murder of citizen Belford, who was one of a posse that resisted Smith and his partner, Tom Wind. Wind pleaded guilty to second-degree murder and was sentenced to 20 years.

The Spanish government has issued the following semi-official note relating to the president's reference to the loss of the Maine in his message to con-"Spain has been treated by the conqueror with unexampled cruelty and is resigned to her fate; but she can not tolerate President McKinley's accusation, for she is conscious of her complete innocence."

Minor News Items.

The will of the late Edward Austin, 96th birthday at Philadelphia. of Boston, bequeatis \$1,100,000 to public uses.

The exar has recently issued an edict ordering a trial by jury in Siberia after January 1.

The British government has decided to make a generous grant for the relief of the distress and damage caused by the recent hurricane in the West In-

LATER NEWS

Colonel William J. Bryan has deelared himself as opposed to expansion.

By the explosion of a shell at Fort Constantine, at Cronstadt, Russia, nine soldiers were killed and three officers and seven soldiers wounded.

Pettysville, Nate Thomas and Clarence Emmons were killed outright and Will Markley was fatally injured.

The president and party have left Washington for a week's trip through the South, the primary object being to attend the peace jubilee in Atlanta,

Chicago packers will spend a large smount of money in erecting immens cold-storage plants in Santiago and Havana for the reception and storing of fresh meat.

Simon, the new senator from Oregon, has been placed upon the follow-ing committees: Mines and mining. irrigation, revolutionary claims, Potomac river front and trespasses upon Indian lands.

Five deaths occurred in Butte, Mont., which are claimed to have been caused by the dreadful sulphur and arsenic fumes from the smelters, Many people who can do so are leaving the city to get out of the smoke.

It is probable that Secretary Bliss will, within a short time, tender his resignation to the president. He has had the step under consideration for some time, deeming it necessary that he should be free to devote more time to his large business interests.

The Brooklyn, Texas, Castine and Resolute have been ordered to Havana. While there is not the faintest desire to convey a threat in the dispatch of these warships to Havana, it may be noted that when they lie within the harbor they will hold the town in perfeet subjection.

The Clearwater Short Line Railway Company, which is the official title of the branch Northern Pacific cut-off, has filed certificates in the office of the secretary of state at Olympia, designating Thomas Cooper as its agent in Washington, and showing the route of the proposed road, now under construc-

Word has been received from United States Consul Allen that John C. Flanagan, the confidential clerk of George W. Lake, a rich merchant of Chemulpo, who was murdered August 29, has been sentenced by a consular court to imprisonment for life. Flanagan had been robbing his employer systematically and committed the crime to cover

Two men were killed by the explosion of natural gas at Cannonsville, Ind. One man was killed and several fatally wounded at a school entertainment at Charleston, W. Va.

Henry J. Nelligan, cook, George W. Beverly, both of company G, First were killed in a camp quarrel.

A smooth gang of counterfeiters is at work in the Mis ssippi valley. counterfeit is of the standard silver dollars. All of which have so far been discovered bear the date of 1890. It is believed something like 200,000 of them have gained circulation.

Senator Davis, of the Paris peac commission, in an interview with a London Daily Mail correspondent, declared in favor of a triple alliance beington Count von Goetzen said that the tween the United States, England and only good volunteers among the United Japan, for the protection of all their interests north of the equator.

Charles Tracy, aged 16, shot and instantly killed Tim Connors, custodian eral James F. Wade, president of the of Greenlawn cemetery, Indianapolis, United States eracuation committee, Ind. Tracy with a number of other boys was near the cemetery throwing snowballs at pedestrians. to desist he was killed by Connors.

The thirteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor met good that official's shortages and steal-ings from the state, amounting in all gates from all parts of the country were gates from all parts of the country were present; also William Thorne and William Inskip, of London, representing

The British Columbian government has made a crown reserve of all townsites and land outside of the mining fields in the Lake Atlin district. This was recently announced privately by The British Columbia mills are again Mr. C. Settlin, premier of British Columbia, to Gold Commissioner W. J. Rant, who has just arrived in Seattle from Atlin.

Rossland's famous Le Ros mine is at last before London investors. London Globe Corporation and the British America Corporation have invited subscriptions to 200,000 shares of £5 each in the Le Roi Company, ltd. The purchase price is £950,000, payable in cash in fully paid shares, leaving

£50,000 for the working capital. The United States government is not aware that any arrangement has been made for the transfer of the title of the Samoan islands to Germany, and being one of the parties to the tripartite agreement under which Samoa is now governed, it is not conceivable that any change in the status of the islands can be made without the knowledge of this government.

Leon Favier, who fought under the great Napoleon, has just celebrated his

The president of the municipal coun cil of Paris has informed Mme. Sara Bernhardt that the council has accepted her recent offer to take a lease of the Theater des Nacions.

Preparations are on foot in Honolulu to test the applicability of the United States immigration laws to the Hawaiian islands by the importation to the cane fields of 1,000 Corean laborers.

AN OUTLINE OF THE TREATY

Spaniards opened fire on a Cuban funeral procession in Havana, and wounded several. One will probably Upon at Paris.

GUARANTIES TO SPANISH TRADE

By an explosion in the grist mill at Treaty Must Be Ratifled Within Six Months in Order to Be Binding-Two Copies for Each Commission.

> Paris, Dec. 15 .- Extraordinary precautions are maintained by both the peace commissions to preserve secrecy as to the contents of the treaty. Each commission has two copies, but even the commission attaches are not permitted to peruse the documents. press correspondent, however, has obtained from a source usually reliable the following outline of the treaty:

Article 1 provides the relinquishment of Cuba. Article 2 provides for the cession of

Porto Rico. Article 3 provides for the cession of

the Philippines for \$20,000,000 as compensation.

Article 4 embraces the plans for the cession of the Philippines, including the return of Spanish prisoners now in the hands of the Tagalos.

Article 5 deals with the cession of barracks, war materials, arms, stores, buildings, and all property pertaining to the Spanish administration in the Philippines.

Article 6 is a renunciation by both against each other and the citizens of each other.

Article 7 grants to Spanish trade and shipping in the Philippines the same treatment as to American trade and shipping for a period of 10 years.

Article 8 provides for the release of all prisoners of war held by Spain and of all prisoners held by her for political offenses committed in the colonies acquired by the United States. Article 9 guarantees the legal rights

Spaniards remaining in Cuba. Article 10 establishes religious freedom in the Philippines and guarantees

to all churches equal rights.

Article 11 provides for the compos tion of courts and other tribunals in Porto Rico and Cuba.

Article 12 provides for the adminis

tration of justice in Porto Rico and Article 13 provides for the continuance for five years of Spanish copyrights in the ceded territory, giving

Spanish books admittance free of duty. Article 14 provides for the establish ment of consulates by Spain in the ceded territory. Article 15 grants to Spanish com merce in Cuba, Porto Rico and the

Philippines the same treatment as to America for 10 years, Spanish shipping to be treated as coasting vessels. Article 16 stipulates that the obligations of the United States to Spanish citizens and property in Cuba shall

terminate with the withdrawal of the United States authorities from the Article 17 provides that the treaty

must be ratified within six months from the date of signing by the respective governments in order to be binding.

CALLED IT A FRAUD.

Turple Scored the Maritime Canal Com-

pany-A Scheme of Confiscation. Washington, Dec. 15,-Today's session of the senate was largely consumed in discussion of the Nicaragua canal bill. Turple made the principal speech on the ground that it is in the interest of the Maritime Canal Company, which he characterized as a fraud and bankthe matter until after the holiday recess. Morgan defended the bill and the motion to postpone. Berry and Refusing Rawlins both offered amendments materially affecting the bill.

Previous to the proceedings upon the canal bill, Morrill made an address in support of the bill authorizing the purchase of a site for a supreme court building and this and several other bills were passed.

The house passed the District of Columbia appropriation bill without a single amendment. The bill carries \$3,359,950, which is \$176,600 less than was carried by the last bill, and \$2,-871,857 less than the estimates. The house also passed the senate bill, which was under consideration yesterday, to All the amendments were rejected.

GAS TANK COLLAPSED.

Flood of Water Followed, Carrying

New York, Dec. 15 .- The great steel gas tank of the Consolidated Gas Company at Avenue A and Twentieth streets, the largest of its kind in the afternoon. It went down with a crash gold valued at \$800,000. and roar like a great explosion. Masonry of granite blocks and bricks to the height of 50 feet fell like a child's of terrible atrocities committed by the toy hours of blocks, and loosened fromandago, 8,000,000 of gallons of water deluged the streets, and in a 10-foot Apari. The correspondent says: tidal wave carried death and destruction through the surrounding neighborhood. It is not known how many were killed and injured.

Movements of Lee's Corps. Savannah, Ga., Dec. 15 .- Two battalions of the Second Illinois regiment of Lee's corps arrived on the transport Michigan, tonight, and will sail tomorrow morning for Mariana. The transport Mobile arrived today from Philadelphia, and will sail Sunday with the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana regiment and the Third battalion of the Second Illinois.

run through the sewers of Paris.

SNOW SHOVELERS KILLED

Run Down by a Fast Train on the New

Buffalo, New York, Dec. 15.—Nine men were killed and three injured at Winspur bridge, near Corfu, on the New York Central railroad, today. They were Poles, with the exception of John Warnes, their foreman, who is among the killed. The men were engaged in shoveling snow. All were frightfully mutilated. The men stepped from the track to avoid an approaching train, right in front of a fast express train, running in the same direction as the first, and were literally ground to pieces. Engineer Smith, of the express, in an interview, said:
"I could see nothing ahead of me,

but I thought the place looked bad and blew my whistle. I had my hand on the whistle when I heard my fireman vell. He did not call for brakes, but 1 slapped on the air the minute I heard Cubans, but the management of the government were derived from the conhim. He had seen a man beside the track, though he had not seen anyone struck. A moment after I applied the brakes I saw a man shoot up into the air on my side of the cab. He was as Cuban troops, got into an excited arguhigh as the smokestack when I saw ment with the manager of the theater, him. He came down on the freight train which was running along on that the police on duty. There Allegrette man of prominence and no recognized side, and was carried a mile before he entered into a heated discussion with a tribunal had ever been reckless enough fell off. My train stopped in about Spanish officer, who struck him across to controvert it. two train lengths, and the sight that I the face with the flat of bis sword. saw when I got out was the most horrible I have ever witnessed. The dead and mangled were lying on both sides more blows were struck on both sides, of the track just as they had been thrown. I did not see them until after park cheered for Spain and brought we had struck them. I did not see them come on the track, and until my jacent streets and squares. fireman velled I did not know they were there."

MEXICO'S OFFER TO SPAIN.

Colonization Scheme That Will Benefit

the Press from Washington says: The table. Mexican government has submitted a colonization project to the Spanish authorities in Havana, by which it pro-poses not only to aid the Spanish gov-Cuban, fell wounded on the stairs, and ernment, but to give great assistance as another wounded man broke into the well to the Spanish soldiers who have room occupied by Lientenant Fitzhugh served in Cuban warfare and are soon to evacuate Cuba.

The proposition of the Mexican government is to organize bands among the Spanish soldiers and provide them with free passage to Mexico, where necessary tools, seeds and implements for agricultural work will be furnished, and in addition oxen and small houses was in uniform, they stopped the pur-will be given to the immigrants and a suit of the Cubans, saluted and retired. certain tract of the public lands in Mexico will be provided for colonization purposes,

The government, in turn, is to take a lien upon the products, and exact a return of 20 per cent each year until the supplies are paid for by the colonists, after which the lands will become their own.

For these who do not care to accept this proposition, arrangements have been made by the government of Mexico to supply a large number of Spanish soldiers with labor on the public works and in the mines, at the rate of

IN BARBAROUS FORMOSA.

San Francisco, Dec. 15 .- Oriental adivces are that terrible atrocities have occurred in Formosa. Two hundred rebels recently attacked a village, surprising the people and looting the place. They burned 87 houses. A Japanese police inspector and six constables perished in repelling the attack, One constable was captured alive. The in opposition to the bill, attacking it insurgents fastened on his neck the bloody heads of his companions and drove him before them into the woods. Reinforcements were sent to the vilrupt. He moved a postponement of lage, where the mutilated bodies of the victims were found. One constable, who escaped, killed his own wife and the Maritime company, and opposed child with his Japanese sword to prevent them from becoming captives. He

was then killed by the savages. There is much disquietude among the inhabitants of Hankow since the recent fire, in which 3,000 people their lives. Several smaller fires have occurred since, all believed to be the work of incendiaries. The Shanghai Daily Press says five Chinese were caught in the act of igniting as many dwellings. They were thrown into the flames and burned alive.

Tortured by Filipinos.

San Francisco, Dec. 15 .- The Manila correspondent of the Hong Kong Press gives details of the shocking treatment of friars and other prisoners captur d amend the laws relating to seamen. by the insurgents in the northern part of the island of Luzon. General Leybe, who was sent by Aguinaldo to attack the cities in the extreme north of Luzon, sent a report to his chief that he had brought the entire section raided completely under the control of the Filipinos. Leybe also mentions in his report the capture of 124 friars and lay brothers, many Spanish soldiers, with world, collapsed at 5:30 o'clock this their arms and property, and silver and

The Press correspondent states that from Spanish sources have come reports rebels, who are said to have locted the churches in the town of Cagayan and

"The bishop was subjected to the grossest indignities. The friars were beaten with sticks, kicked and hung up in the torrid sun for several hours. The natives were forbidden to render the friars any assistance. During their greatest sufferings, while hungry and naked in the broiling sun, Chinese and natives furtively supplied them with food and water. One aged friar was placed upon a horse's saddle and 'jumped' until blood poured from his mouth and nose. Another, it is said, clothed only in a rain coat, was carried in triumph for 200 yards, then endgeled to death mid savage cries. Nuns Over 100 miles of telegraph wires in the convent were subjected to shameless treatment.

CUBANS AND SPANISH MIX

Rioting in Havana, With Fatal Results.

THREE KILLED, MANY WOUNDED

The Trouble Was Caused by an Effort to Close the Theaters on Account of Garcia's Death.

Tacon theater, where there were many and was escorted to the sidewalk by Then there was a collision between the Cubans and Spanish military men. and many persons from the cafes and crowds of people to the spot from ad-

Suddenly a shot was fired, whether by a Cuban or by a Spaniard, inten-tionally or accidentally, cannot be said, trality with regards to any country and the Cubans retreated into the Hotel Ingleterra. More shots were fired on both sides, and Arturo a French New York, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to seriously wounded white sitting at a

More shots were fired, and Cubans ran through the hotel office and made Lee, son of the famous general, and the former consul-general here, demanding protection. General Greene and several members of his staff, who had been out on a balcony watching the crowd, heard the uprear in the hotel, and went anto the corridor. So soon as the Spanish officers saw General Greene, who

In the meantime, Eastaquino Lemus had been fatally wounded in the street, and Pedro Bless and Senor Jiminez had been killed. Shortly after the Spanish guards on

duty swarmed in from the neighboring streets, and order was restored. At the time the Cubans and pursuing Spaniards ran through the Hotel Ingleterra, General Humphreys was in the lobby, talking to Major Martin, of General Greene's staff, and other gentlemen. A bullet shattered a mirror near

which they stood, and two others splintered the staircase. R. S. Howland, editor of the Providence Journal and Mr. W. L. Reilly, a New York contractor, were jostled by the sudden rush of shouting and fight- overland fast mail and piled up the Terrible Atrocities Committed by the ing men. General Julio Sanguilly was cars and engine in great confusion. sitting at a table in the lobby. The violent scenes in the office and on the stairs lasted, however, for only a few minutes. On the outside the Spanish soldiers were clearing the great square and streets in the vicinity. The hotel was full of American officers and civil- Nickel Plate road, who was cut and ians, and some of them with their wives were standing on the balconies at the imminent risk of being hit by bullets fired at an upward angle to scare the crowds. From that point they

watched the spectacle in the electric-

lighted square. It is reported that in addition to those killed and wounded who have ing cared for in private houses. Three arrests were made. A few minutes ed for Hong Kong today under her own after the shooting in the hotel fright-steam. She is of 1,030 tons displaceened patrons and Cubans gathered ment and 2,200 indicated horse-power. around General Greene asking if he would protect them. He assured them he believed they were safe, but the only recognized authority in Havana was the Spanish executive. He then sent unteers was st Captain Cole and Lieutenant Stevens shot to death. to General Castellanos to inquire what was being done to preserve order. The latter replied that the cafes had been ordered closed, and the streets cleared, while troops in sufficient numbers to keep the peace had been posted in the squares and thoroughfares. Two of the aids of General Castellanos called upon General Greene and gave him further personal assurances.

Telephone messages describing the occurrence were sent to General Wade in Elvedado, and General Greene cabled to Washington a brief statement of the facts. What was taking place in the city was all unknown to the American warships and transports in the harbor, nor did the news reach there until this morning.

The United States evacuation commissioners and General Greene sent General Clous and Captain Hart at noon today to exchange views with the Spanish commissioners. It was arranged that all the Cuban officers and soldiers, including General Julio Sanguilly and Jose Lacret, should go to the camp near Mariano and remain out Stothern, and John Winee. The other of the city until the Spanish forces were withdrawn. Mr. Jerome, the British for. consul, had already called at the palace on the same mission.

Astonishing Chinese Reform

London, Dec. 13 .- The Peking cor respondent of the Daily Mail says: An imperial rescript just issued sentences to death a Chinese literatus who wrote threatening letters to a foreign missionary in Kiang Si, and confer-Chinese honors on the missionary for his tact and forbearance in the matter. The edict astonished the Chinese and the action of the empress dowager is likely to have a salutary effect.

EXPANSION OPPOSED.

Senators Vest and Hoar Desire No

Washington, Dec. 14.—Discussion of two questions, each of importance and interest at this session, was begun by the senate at its session today. Territorial expansion and the construction of he Nicaragua canal occupied the attention of the body during the greater part of the afternoon. As soon as the routine morning busi-

ness had been disposed of, Mr. Vest (Dem. Mo.) called up his resolution offered last week, declaring it to be unconstituional for this government to Havana, Dec. 14.—After the news of eneral Garcia's death eneral through General Garcia's death spread through Havana early yesterday afternoon, the Cubans wished to have all the places of amusement closed. They succeeded in declared it was a basic principle of this closing two places frequented by government "that the powers of the sent of the governed," and maintained Spanish officers among the audience, that the federal government had no refused to close the house. Thereupon authority-either in morals or in the constitution-to go beyond that principle. He held that the principle had been sustained by the supreme court in various decisions, and that no public

Mr. Morgan opened the debate on the canal bill with a three hours' appeal for action at this session. The whole country, he said, would be disappointed if congress did not act. He was willing to take any measure which would result in the building of the canal. In the course of his remarks, he agreed to accept an amendment spewith which the United States might

TO RELIEVE VOLUNTEERS.

Six Regiments Designated for Service

Washington, Dec. 14 .- The war department has begun in earnest the rehef of the volunteer troops now stationed at Manila by regulars. This afternoon Secretary Alger signed an order designating for this purpose six regiments of the United States infantry out of eight held in reserve for service to tropical countries. The regiments are the Twentieth, at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.; the Third, at Fort Snelling, Minn.; the Twelfth, at Jefferson barracks, Mo., and Fort Riley, Kan.; the Seventeenth, at Columbus barracks, O.; the Fourth, at Fort Sheridan, and

the Twenty-second, at Fort Crook, Neb. They will go forward to Manila as soon as the transportation can be provided. It may be that the two regiments still held in reserve, the Twentyfourth and the Twenty-fifth infantry, will join the others before they sail. These regiments were selected in the reverse ratio to the loss sustained by them in the Cuban campaign. The volunteers in Manila will be retried in the order in which they reached that city.

Pendleton, Or., Dec. 13.-Rushing down the mountain grade of the O. R. & N. Co.'s main line a heavy freight train crashed into the rear end of the

The mail train was at the time ary. Three men were injured-David Filger, an old man of 64, who was on his way to the coast from Montauk, Ill.; Jay Adams, of San Francisco, general Pacific coast agent for the scalded; Louis Plechner, traveling salesman for the wholesale house of Ginterman Bros., St. Paul; and Fireman Harry Burrows, of the freight train, who received a cut on the forehead.

Manila, Dec. 14.—The Isle de Cuba, one of the ships sunk by Dewey been previously mentioned, 14 are be- in the battle of Manila, and which he subsequently caused to be raised, start-The Raleigh leaves for home Thurs-

day via the Suez canal. As a result of an altercation before a fruit stand yesterday, a California volunteers was stabbed and two natives

The Mare Island Fleet

Vallejo, Cal., Dec. 14 .- The rebuilding of the United States cruiser Ranger at Mare island is progressing rapidly. The Wheeling came out of the dock today. She will receive her supply of coal and provisions in a few days, and will then sail for the northern seas. The Iroquois has been thoroughly overhauled and in readiness to go into commission. Commander Henry Nichols has been ordered to Manila to take charge of the Monadnock.

Father and Son Killed. Denver, Dec. 14 .- A special to the News from Starkville, Colo., says: Michael Tereso and his 15-year old son Antonio were killed today by a cave-in

in the coal mine in which they were working. Four Burned to Death. New York, Dec. 14.-The fire which destroyed the apartment-bouse at 184 Prospect Place, Brooklyn, last night, killed four persons-Joseph W. Noblett, his wife, his wife's mother, Mrs.

missing persons have been accounted

To Welcome the Fighting Machines. Lima, Peru, Dec. 14.-Cubans residing here are preparing to give an enthusiastic reception to the United States battle-ships Oregon and Iowa, on their arrival in the northern passage along the coast, en route to join Dew-

ey's squadron at Manila. Aged Argonaut Dead. New York, Dec. 14 .- Dr. Edward Shall, a noted physician, is dead at his home in this city, aged 80 years. He

was a California goldhunter in 1849.