Bill at This Session.

of Speaker Cannon and other Republi-

always in evidence at the beginning of

each session, there is more seriousness

are concerned, the fear is not alone

based on the attitude of the party lead-

committee, though it has been in ses-

sion more than a month, has accom-

plished absolutely nothing. One of its

winter in more than four weeks.

this purpose will be exhausted by July

many instances work has already stop-

The promise has been made that the

DOINGS IN CONGRESS.

Wednesday, Jag. 4.

Upon reconvening today after the

holiday recess, the senate plunged di-rectly into the consideration of the bill

for the admission of two states to be

and Oklahoma and Indian territory.

refered to the committee on judiciary.

Senator Newlands introduced a joint

resolution providing for a commission

to frame and report to congress a

Thursday, Jan. 5.

The joint statehood bill again occu-

Senator Bard introduced two bills

project in Southern Oregon and North-

Senator Bailey submitted a proposed

the term of office of the president at

Asks Fee of \$200,000.

the sum demanded was exhorbitant.

resurrection of the company, he said,

is due to the reorganization committee.

New Russian War Loan.

Another New Russian Loan.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 7 .- Official an-

Newark, N. J., Jan. 7 .- A fee of

national incorporation act for the con-

fifty-ninth congress.

ern California.

for re-election.

ped for lack of funds.

and demand attention.

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HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

The czar has decided to send 200,000 nore troops to Manchuria.

The Japanese found 48,000 prisoners in Port Arthu,r of whom one-third are The flagship of the Baltic squadron

The czar's decision to continue the war causes great indignation and brings sions, when bills were reported and

revolution near. The interstate commerce committee of the senate is working on a bill to

regulate freight rates. As a result of a collission on the Lake Shore road near Angolsa, N. Y.,

eight passengers were injured. The continued internal strife Santo Domingo may necessitate the United States to step in and put a stop

Secretary Hay recommends that the from districts which are sorely in need was instantly killed. naturalization I aws be amended so as of money to continue the improvements to restrict many courts from granting of their waterways. With few excep-

Although orders have not been issued, it is positive that the Russian Baltic squadron will return to Euro-

In an address before the American Forestry congress the president declared we must make and enforce, laws that in a bill the fore part of January. This will protect the great forests of the United States.

Russia scouts all talk of making speaker to give in, but it will not serve for long. Men who want river and

The czar gave General Stoessel a free desperate; the situation at many ports hand at Port Arthur to do as he and on many rivers is becoming serious

More charges of land frauds implicate Idaho citizens, including Senator Heyburn, also Senator Clark, of Mon-

An Ohio river steamer blew up near Huntingdon, W. V.a, killing 16 people and injuring 12 others. The steamer and 20 barges burned.

More than 500 delegates were present at the opening session of the American Forestry congress in Washington. Secretary Wilson welcomed the delegates and in his address advocated needed changes in present laws to protect the forests and water supply.

There is a movement on foot to secure legislation during this session of congress that will abolish the isthmian employed in interstate commerce. canal commission and place the construction under the direct supervision of a board of engineers. It is understood the president favors this plan. The present commission is fooling away dent be extended until the end of the whom, however, 2,000 were unable to covered by insurance. too much time quarreling.

Bitter cold marked the incoming of the new year throughout the old world.

A British steamer has just arrived at pied the major portion of the day in New York with a cargo of 1,100 tons of the senate. European wheat.

The Oklahoma statehood bill will come before the senate immediately threaten to interfere with the construcafter the holiday recess.

Several torpedo boats escaped from Port Arthur and took refuge at Shanghai just prior to the surrender of the

Before surrendering Stoessel sunk he damaged warships in Port Arthur harbor. The Japanese severely criti-

Now that Port Arthur has fallen the appropriated last session. Representabulk of the besieging army will be sent tive Adams, of Pennsylvania, intronorth, but some of them will go home. duced a bill providing for the establish-The army before Port Arthur is vari- ment in the District of Columbia of a ously stated as being between 70,000 whipping post for wife-beaters.

and 120,000 men. If Senator Mitchell follows the inexorable rule of seantorial etiquette, he will not appear on the floor of the senate again until the courts have taken final action in the matter of the indictnent against him.

The cotton mill strike at Fall River, Mass., continues with both sides determined not to give in.

Chicago held memorial services De cember 30 in remembracne of the Iriquois theater disaster, the occasion be ing the first anniversary.

Preparations are being made at Vladvostok for the reception in the dry docks of any of the Baltic squadron that may need docking when the fleet reaches that port.

The London city police have arrested two members of an international gang which for two or three years is alleged to have been conducting extensive forgeries in £5 Bank of England notes.

The grind of the Federal grand jury can demand redemption at par after goes on, and another report for the six years. expectant public will soon be made. Silver is growing scarce. The price

has rdvanced, and the market is such that the consumer waits on the pro-

Russian cruiser Variag have been discontinued. It will be impossible to recommence work before spring, by which time the steel plates forming the hull will be useless.

The amount of the loan will be \$115. the appointment of an international commission to investigate the fisheries commence work before spring, by which time the steel plates forming the hull will be useless.

NOTHING FOR RIVERS. Small Chance of Congress Passing

Washington, Jan. 7. - Members of congress interested in securing river New York in Grasp of Storm of and harbor appropriations are becomice and Snow. ing uneasy over the repeated warnings

can leaders that the strictest economy must be observed from now until ad-

in the tones of the speaker and party leaders than usual, and the fear is Many Persons, Benumbed With Cold, spreading that they mean what they Fall and Break Bones-Street Cars Blockaded. So far as waterway appropriations

New York, Jan. 6 .- Not in several ers, but the further and very signifi-cant fact that the rivers and harbors years has New York been visited by a storm of such proportions as that which commenced yesterday and continued until early today. Nine inches of members declares that, notwithstand-The flagship of the Baltic squadron ing almost daily meetings have been snow fell, paralyzing traffic, and is reported to have struck a rock and held, not a single line of the bill has brought untold suffering to the city s been framed, not a single item agreed upon. He declares that in past sesvicinity were reported, while many passed, the committee did more actual persons, overcome by cold, dropped to work in two days than it has done this the street, some of them fracturing to respect and duly investigate all pribones.

Five of the seven men who met death This dawdling policy, this postponewhat it means, unless it is that the delay is inspired by the speaker for the sole puropse of staving off action until harbor bill. If it is found that this policy of delay is continued, there is ment of action, is what causes the real from the results of the storm died from policy of delay is continued, there is stepped in front of the "Congressional apt to be a general revolt of members Limited" train at South Amboy and It is estimated that the storm will

cost the New York city railway com- sians agree to co-operate. tions funds heretofore appropriated for pany over \$100,000. Incoming ocean liners report a bliz-

1, and unless a river and harbor bill is zard at sea. passed, work will cease altogether. In

promise will serve to check those mem-In New York city traffic of all kinds ures to the Japanese. harbor appropriations are growing ing before it fine snow that cut like jurisdiction, will become prisoners of to London, of the "hope that in some schedule. At sea the conditions must

has been reported. AWFUL COST OF VICTORY.

composed of Arizona and New Mexico Facts About Siege Gleaned From Rec-Heyburn introduced a bill for the ords of Stoessel.

regulation of corporations, which was Chefoo, Jan. 6. - Some interesting statistics concerning the defense of Port Arthur were brought here by the flotilla of Russian torpedo boat destroyers which carried numerous chests containing complete records of General Stoessel's army.

Originally the army numbered 35,-In the house Representative Mann intoduced a bill to abolish the isthmian canal commission and providing that the powers now invested in the presi-

will die fighting, but it will cost you ping to the floors below. three times their number to kill them." Close to the Fourth str intended to clear away obstacles that tion of the Klamath reserve irrigation remarkable fact was due to wounded men returning to the front. Cases amendment to the constitution fixing have been recorded where men have gone to the hospital seven times, resix years and making him ineligible turning convalescent to the forts.

The number of officers killed was The house committee on fortifications proportionately greater than in any battle known to history. This was due to the frequent lethargic condition of the men, who, without food and withproportionately greater than in any direction. reported the fortifications bill, carrying \$6,747,893, which is \$770,299 less than Japan \$100,000,000.

Crowds Cry for News. St. Petersburg, Jan. 6. - The scenes

\$200,000 for James Smith, Jr., for acting as receiver for the United States at the admiralty and war office today were a repetition of those of yesterday Shipbuilding company was asked of Judge Lanning in the United States crowds of weeping women and children vainly asking for lists of the survivors District court here today. Counsel for of the Port Arthur garrison, which the Sheldon reorganization committee could not be furnished. While the opposed the application, and said that Russian military law is imperative in He said all the money Mr. Smith handled in the receivership was not more than \$1,125,000. The credit for the

No Time for Mediation.

Berlin, Jan. 7 .- The prospectus of Paris, Jan. 6 .- The official view here the new Russian loan of \$81,000,000 continues to regard mediation between will be issued tomorrow. Subscription Russia and Japan as impracticable lists will be opened in Germany, Rus- The Temps, semi-official, in a leading sia and Holland January 12. The price article, says: "Russia will not considof the issue in Germany will be 95. The bankers' syndicate has paid into er mediation at a moment when her the Russian treasury 901/2. These terms are considered here very favorable for Russia, inasmuch as the holders overwhelming force under General Kuat the foreign office.

International Salmon Commission. Victoria, B. C., Jan. 6 .- Local cannouncement of the issue of a new loan ners have been advised of the intention tucer.

is published here for the first time. of the Dominion government to seek

The Japanese attempts to raise the The amount of the loan will be \$115,- the appointment of an international

SUMMARY OF THE TERMS.

Russian Officers Go Home on Parole Privates Remain Prisoners.

London, Jan. 5 .- The Japanese legathe agreement which served as the basis of the capitulation of Port Arthur. The agreement was signed by the Russian and Japanese commissionjournment. While talk of this sort is CLAIMS TOLL OF SEVEN LIVES ers, representing Generals Stoessel and Nogi respectively, and later by the commanders in chief themselves, the final consummation of it taking place in the evening of January 2.

> The agreement consists of 11 articles. Several of them are of a purely technical nature. The essential points of the others are as follows: The entire fortress, with its surrounding forti- whose hills for months have run red fications, the ships still afloat in the with the blood of the bravest of two harbor and the wrecks of those sunk warlike nations, has at last succumbed and partly sunk, all arms and ammunition, the military buildings in the born in carrying out the will of his fortress and forts as well as in the old sovereign, has seen the sdvance of the poor. Seven deaths in New York and and new towns, together with all other besieging army gain in momentum and government property, are to be surren- energy, until to hold out longer would dered to the Japanese. The latter agree have been a crime against humanity. vate rights and claims.

free action relative to their claims for brave and victorious enemy.

Today 5,000 men were put to work clearing the streets of New York and tomorrow the number will be doubled. or sea within the confines of Port Ar-The effects of the blizzard were felt thur, as well as the lists with the the sacrifice of life and money that was The promise has been made that the rivers and harbors committee will bring in a bill the fore part of January. This promise will serve to check those memmarine fatalities have been reported.

The effects of the blizzard were felt thur, as well as the lists with the sacrince of the and money that was names of all military and naval officers entailed in the ten months' siege.

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was impeded, trolley lines were tied up and the streets, swept by a gale driv- as well as the officials under Russian of Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister sand and piled in great drifts, were practically impassable. Railroad trains from all points were delayed from a few minutes to three hours, and the elevated lines were operated with the greatest difficulty, without regard to sechedule. At see the conditions must be seen to part to be sent on part to be sent to be sent on part to be sent on part to be sent on part to be s re to be sent on parole to Russia.

As a guarantee of good faith, the plans would invite disaster without forts at Itseshan and Antushan, together with other fortifications still stand- the warships at present in the harbor have been severe, but so far no disaster ing, are to be surrendered to the Jap- of Vladivostok. anese not later than noon of January 3.

DOES MUCH DAMAGE.

Disastrous Fire in Plant of Union Meat

Company at Portland. Portland, Jan. 4 .- Fire raged in the inally the army numbered 35,- ly gutting the building. Loss on the Eleven thousand have been structure, which was a three-story been conducting, as the nominal assistkilled, 16,000 are wounded or sick, brick, is estimated at \$100,000, and on ant of Mr. Hall, the land fraud cases while 8,000 remained in the forts, of the contents \$150,000. This is partly in Oregon.

It is learned that, when General ed the fire. The flames burst out on Stoessel wrote to General Nogi regard- the third floor, directly over the engine conference with the president. Mr. ing the surrender of the fortress he room. When the fire was first discov- Moody declined to say what the charges "I have 8,000 men in the forts, and the flames were leaping in every direc-6,000 of these are able to fight. If you tion above and streams of ammonia ice to dispense with him, particularly do not accept my proposal these men from the cold storage plant were drip- in regard to the conduct of the land

Close to the Fourth street side of the During the siege 265 per cent of the building, on a track of the Southern garrison were put out of action. This Pacific, stood several freight and refrigerator cars.

There was also a car of fuel oil. It There was also a car of fuel oil. It public when it returned indictments stood where the flames were the hottest against Senator Mitchell, Binger Herand for more than an hour it was the fear of the police and firemen that it fear of the police and firemen that it

out sleep, moved only when led by their officers. The Russians estimate that the taking of the fortress has cost the fortress has cos breathed a sigh of relief when they spirators who were convicted in the drove back the flames and were able to recent trial was pending in the Federal turn their attention to the building court. proper.

Ready to Mediate.

Washington, Jan. 5. — President Roosevelt has decided that he will offer his good offices to bring about peace the requirement that the commander him to do so. He has heretofore in for rebuilding the navy, the fact is of a fortress who surrenders shall be tried by court martial, the emperor will undoubtedly order that this formality be dispensed with in the case of General Stoessel.

In this to do so. He has nerectore in sisted that both parties must request that Russia's naval program has not yet been definitely decided or promulgated. All that is positively known is that the plans cover a long period of years. The absolute necessity of a sea power is one of Russia's latest lessons will be taken in the immediate future. will be taken in the immediate future, of the present war. probably two or three months.

To Relieve Sufferers.

self-esteem is suffering from the deepest quantity of medical supplies, appliances occurred. At 4:25 o'clock and a few wound and before playing her strongest and comforts for the Russiaan sick and minutes before 8 o'clock tonight other card, namely, the concentration of an wounded. The Andomeda had on shocks were felt. The plate glass in a ropatkin." The same opinion is held stores, including 350 beds and 100,000 the small towers on the city hall was the receipt of official permission to sail constructed. on the errand of mercy.

possession of a number of the forts of Port Arthur today. The Russian officers an officials will be permitted to return to Russia upon parole, the officers retaining their side arms.

It cold weather which prevails in the center of Russia has caused a temporary suspension of the mobilization and movement of troops. Today the temperature is 40 degrees below Fahren-heit.

tion yesterday published the terms of Port Arthur Gives Up After Fighting Eleven Months.

CAUSES GREAT JOY IN TOKIO

Stoessel Confesses He Found Further Resistance Was Only a Useless Sacrifice of Lives.

New York, Jan. 3 .- Port Arthur,

anticipated that they are such as an The Japanese reserve the right of honorable soldier may accept from a

investigation of the reports alleging the absence of direct official notice such violation of the proprieties of the from General Stoessel that Port Arthur surrender is promised, and the Rus- has surrendered, have not permitted the news to become public. Emperor The plans of the forts still standing, Nicholas is in the south of Russia, and destroyed or in the course of construc- his ministers are for the time being in tion, the stock of torpedoes and mines, the dark as to what dispatches have

peace is an open question. There is

HALL IS REMOVED.

Summary Action by the President in Land Fraud Cases.

Washington, Jan. 3. - President Roosevelt has directed the absolute replant of the Union Meat company, moval of John H. Hall, United States Fourth aand Glisan streets, from 11 district attorney for the district of Orelast night to 3 this morning, complete- gon. The action was taken at the re-

The announcement of this action was Heated lard is believed to have start- made by Attorney General Moody as he ered by Night Engineer John Sleight, against Mr. Hall were, if any, but did fraud cases now being investigated.

Mitchell and Hermann Indicted. Portland, Jan. 3.-The Federal grand ary fulfilled the expectations of the would explode aand deal death in every are charged with having conspired with

New Navy for Russia. St. Petersburg, Jan. 4 .- With reference to the report published in the United States under a St. Petersburg between Russia and Japan whenever date that Emperor Nicholas has peti-either party to the conflict shall request tioned the expenditure of \$80,000,000

Bay City Is Shocked.

San Francisco, Jan. 4 .- This city Wei Hai Wei, Jan. 5 .- The British experienced a number of earthquake steamer Andromeda sailed for Port Ar-thur this morning carrying a large shock, which lasted for six seconds, board two surgeons and eight tons of few buildings was shattered. One of pounds of provisions. Her cargo was twisted. Officials at the hall, howshipped on board last night, following ever, say that the tower was faultily

Cold Suspends Mobilization.

Japanese Occupy Forts.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 4.—The intenseTokio, Jan. 5.—The Japanese took ly cold weather which prevails in the