ACCORDING TO COUNT CASSINI

Position on Many Points Similar to That of the United States-Purpose in Manchuria.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 28.-The Russian ambassador, Count Cassini, has re-turned to Washington after an absence of some months in Europe, during which time he conferred with Count Lamsdorff, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs, con-cerning Chinese and other international

When seen at the embassy today, Count Cassini said that his visit to St. Petersburg occurred more than two months ago, so that he was not in touch with the latest phases of the Chinese situation. Count Cassini says he observed at St. Petersburg that the government was ani-mated by a most reasonable, conciliatory and moderate disposition concerning .There was a desire to avoid making the crisis the occasion for large ects. In particular he noted both at St. Petersburg and throughout Europe that there was a general feeling as to the identity of policy between the United States and Russia, their position being alike on many points. The death of Count Muqavieff, late Minister of Foreign Affairs, had removed an official who had been a steadfast admirer and friend of the United States, and yet, Count Cas-mini said, Count Lamsdorff, the new Min-faster, entertains the same sentiment of friendship and admiration for this coun-

Referring to Russia's action in the Chimese trouble, Count Cassini said that it thad been considered essential at the outset that a ruling head be given to China, The empire was in a deplorable condi-tion as a result of the uprising, and the Manchu dynasty seemed weak and inca-pable. With the departure of the Emeror and the Empress Downger from Pekin the empire practically was left drifting, and it was not to be expected that the 400,000,000 of people of China would carry on such a vast institution without a head. Russia, therefore, considered it essential at the outset to bring back the Emperor, to re-establish a gov-ernment capable of settling affairs. To This end it had been proposed that the troops be withdrawn from Pekin, as there was little doubt that such withdrawal would be followed by the return of the imperial household and a more speedy conclusion of binding negotiations. The Ambassador pointed out that any Chinese negotiations would have to receive the ratification of the Emperor of China.

During the Ambassador's service as Russian Minister at Pekin he became well acquainted with Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, and he speaks in high terms of their ability and statesmanship. Count Cassini's attention was called to the fact that the credentials of the Chiordinary power, and ratified in advance what they may do. But the Ambassador smilingly shook his head, saying that under the Chinese system it would be es-sential in the end to secure imperial con-

When asked as to Russia's purpose in oris, the Ambassador said he was branch of the subject, and could not speak definitely. But he remarked that Russia's great railroad interests leading Arthur would have to be protected. There was not the slightest doubt of this. It was in protecting these inter-ests, he said, that Russia had been at-tacked by the Chinese, and it was only natural and necessary that Russia should resist these attacks. The Ambassador also observed that it was quite natural that Russia should feel a deep interest in Manchuria, as it borders on Russia, much as Canada borders on the United States, so that anything affecting Man-churia came home to Russia far more new potatoes, the increase from one potato called that France, Russia and the other owers interested in China had made an logous declarations against the memberment of China.

# CHINA PAYORS ARBITRATION.

Minister to Russia Considers It the Idea! Solution. NEW YORK, Oct. 29 .- His Excellency

Yang Yu, Chinese Minister to the court of St. Petersburg, while at Yalta, near where the Czar is staving, was ones tioned by a Herald correspondent regarding the Chinese problem. His Excellency was three and one-half years Minister to the United States. He also Chinese delegate to the peace conference at The Hague. He was asked how China would accept the idea of arbitration in this present trouble, to which he replied:

own idea is that arbitration in this matter would be the ideal solution for my fear at present is that unless something is done, negotiations will drag on for a long time. The idea of arbitration is exceedingly popular with China. I fear our people would objec to a court of arbitration, the members of which comprised only Europeans. They feel that Europeans are prejudiced against them. They would imagine that they were not going to be treated fairly. We should have to persuade our people that it was all right. It is to the inter est of the United States to bring about a normal situation in China with the utmost rapidity. America has a large trade with us, and that trade is being very seriously damaged by the condition of things which may last a long time." His Excellency certainly thought Russia would support the idea, as the Czar's

ideal was arbitration, as shown by his calling together of the peace conference, Then he said: "England would join because she also is suffering severely in the matter of trade, which is becoming worse each

Germans Attacked a Boxer Town. BERLIN, Oct. 29.-A dispatch from

Tien Tsin to the German Fleet Society. dated yesterday, says: "A German detachment attacked a force of Boxers at Tsai Yu Chang, killing 50. Two towns have been completely destroyed by artillery."

Hay Replies to Anglo-German Note. WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.-Secretary Hay this afternoon returned the answer United States Government to the British-German agreement regarding China. It will not be made public until it is delivered in London and Berlin.

Deaths at Nagasaki. WASHINGTON, Oct. 29.-Surgeon Peerley, in charge of the hospital at Nagamki, today cabled the following list of deaths: October 25, nephritis, Nathan Hoffmaster, Fourteenth Infantry: October 25, myelitis, Charles Crister, Fourteenth Infantry,

J. B. Belford Now for McKinley. The Republicans of Colorado are rejoicing over the political conversion of James B. Belford, of Denver. He was in the Forty-fourth Congress as a Re-publican Delegate from the then Territory of Colorado, but in 1896 was a Bryan man. Lately he has announced his intention to support President McKinley for re-election. He says that he ires Mr. Bryan's personality, but that he regards the prosperity issue ount to any ambitions the Ne- be annexed to Woodstock.

POLICY OF RUSSIA braskan may have for the Presidency.

UPS AND DOWNS OF HOPS.

Man Who Has Raised Them for Thirty Years Has a Say.

H. J. Miller, a well-known hopgrowed and dealer, of Aurora, who was in town yesterday, said the hopproducers are all prosperous this year, as the Fall was unusually favorable to picking, and the price ruling is much more satisfactory than last year. Many hopmen have al-ready sold at 15 cents a pound, which leaves a goodly margin, and the best quality hops are now worth 15% cents.

"Oregon hops," he said, "are the best in the world, this year, and sell readily on a mpie in the East or in England. I do not look for a decrease in price, either, as the world's output of first-class

He does not look for an increased acre questions. He also talked with M. Del-casse, the French Minister of Foreign Af-as hopralsets realize that the product may be down below the cost of raising and picking next year. He does look for an improvement in the care and cultivi tion of the vines, as much of the value

of the hops depends upon this.

John V. Meeker, a pioneer hopraiser was also in the city yesterday. He had 100 acres of good hope near Independence this year, he said, but has not yet disposed of his crop. He considers the present ruling price of 15 cents remunerative but he remembers when hope but he remembers when hope but he said, a nound, "That was in 1883," he said, a nound a pound "and yet I obtained only 60 cents a pound for mine. I was in Puyallup, Wash. then, and I did not know how high hope would go, and so thought 60 cents was pretty good; but in three days I could old for 75 cents. I was not so badly off as some of my neighbors, how-ever, as they refused \$1 a pound, and in the Spring following sold for 20 cents."

Mr. Meeker is not confined to hopraising
in Polk County, as he has 700 scres there devoted to other products. Although he had been in the hopraising business for over 30 years on the Coast, and has be come wealthy, he thicks on the whole that hops have broken up more farmers than they have made rich. "So far as I am concerned," he said, "I have been hopraising so long that I could not go at anything else if I wanted to.

### Oregon Industries. The stavemill at Marshfield started up last week.

In connection with the creamery plant at Bieber, an icehouse will be estab The foundation of D. W. Hurd's new mill at Florence is finished and carpenters are engaged on the framework.

The North Bend sawmill resumed work last week after an idleness of some time. Considerable new machinery was put in. J. D. Irvine has reported to a Brownsville paper that he raised a small field of corn this year which averaged 50 bushels to the acre.

The Carson Tocsin says it has auposed Union-Cornucopia railroad will be built the coming year, Coos County farmers have gathered a bountiful harvest of fruit, vegetables, grain and hay, and the creameries are doing the usual large business this sea-

J. S. Locke has a contract for hauling 200 tons of gypsum from the gypsum mine to the lime kiln, says the Huntington Herald. The work will require about a month's time. A railroad station will be built at Long

Valley, on the narrow-gauge, to be known Manchuria, the Ambassador said he was as Constantia, Another station will be not informed on the latest phases of this built at Willow Creek Valley, to be branch of the subject, and could not known as Armstrong.

The recent heavy wind storms are said to have washed out most of the fish traps between Ilwaco to McGowan's on the north side of the Columbia. Operation of all the traps was suspended during the bed weather.

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removing the snags between Myrtle Point and Coquille City has stopped, the money appropriated for that purpose having been expended. The work has been a great help to navigation on the upper river. Dr. O. B. Reese exhibited at the office

than it did to countries far removed which he picked up in the road and from that part of the world. He rehalf of the number were of fair size. An iron and brass factory at Baker City is the latest industry proposed at that city. Preparations have gone far anough to indicate that the project is reasonably certain of consummation. The outlay will be between \$60,000 and \$70,000. Fred Bruckman, of the Brownsville reamery, spent several days last week about Holley and Crawfordsville talking creamery matters with the farmers. He says that the farmers of that vicinity awake to the importance of the dairy

ing industry. Pishermen are much dissatisfied says the Florence West, and some have quit work on account of a reduction in the price of fish. For several days the canand 25 cents was paid for silver salmon. The price was reduced to 15 cents Wednesday. Only a few men took their catch to the cannery. The run of silversides has been light so far this season and few of the fishermen have made much. Many of them say they would rather quit work

than fish for 15 cents. W. J. Billings took to the Eugene Register office last week three stalks of corn measuring between 12 and 13 feet in length. They were grown on his place at Thurston from seed sent him by H. J. Hull, from the Philippines. The variety is called 50-day corn. The stalk is extra large and carries an abundance of fod The ears, as yet undeveloped, appear hardly be reached from an upright postn. Mr. Billings says the crop is all out the same height, and he thinks the about the same height, and he thinks the Philippine corn will be a valuable product when grown in this country.

May Have Popular Meeting. At a meeting of the Directors of the Woodstock school district Friday night it was decided to notify the parents of pupils attending school from the Portland district that the money offered by the Portland district, about \$8 per year, would be applied on the tuition of their children. The class paying \$15 per year, in grades from first to sixth, inclusive, would have to pay \$7 additional, and those charged \$18, including all above the sixth grade, would have to pay \$10 additional. J. R. Gilstrap, representing the parents of the pupils affected, was present, and asked if the Directors would not submit the whole matter to a public school meeting of the district and ascertain what they had to say about it. This was agreed to, provided a considerable number of property-owners will sign a request for a call for such meeting. About 15 will be sufficient. The Directors of the Woodstock district do not want to appear obstinate in the matter, but they made it a rule recently to charge each pupil under grade seven, coming from the out-side, \$15 per year, and \$15 for those above for the reason, as they say, its costs the district that much. They feel they must look carefully after the finances of the district, but they are willing if the people of the district will so instruct them to accept the \$8 offered by the city. It is expected that a public meeting will be held in the near future, and the question settled. It may be said that the city dis-trict is accepting the same offer from pupils from the St. Johns district they make the Woodstock district. There are some in the Woodstock district who are in favor of settling the matter by annexation to the city, and also on the other hand, the parents of the pupils attending the Woodstock school would be very glad if they could be cut off from the city and

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Another, an old man named Callahan, may have lost his life.

The top floor was a chemical laboratory used by Louis Patterson, the chemist of the concern, and two men and two girls helped him there. Most of these got out, although at a late hour Patterson bimself had not been Meand from so tout, asknough at a late hour Patterson himself had not been fleard from.

How many of the girls and other employes escaped could not be guessed even tonight. The only person known to have been killed up to 8 o'clock tonight was a man who died in one of the protection as the result of an injury.

hight was a man who died in one of the hospitals as the result of an injury re-ceived in the street. Chief Croker says no firemen are missing. An explosion from this drug house was not unexpected, as it was believed in the neighborhood there were explosive chemicals in the place. J. S. Coward, a shoe manufacturer of 268 Greenwich street. ion, said there was general talk in the mosphere throughout the down-town dis-

SOUTH CAROLINA

HORTA CAROLINA

IN THE HEART OF THE CITY three explosions. The third one, which was the strongest, fairly took us off our feet, and after it was over left us all in a shiver. It seemed to sweep into the office through the open windows, and

then out again. From here it looked like a huge black mass rising into the air. Then it broke, and for several minutes the debris was flying in the air as far as Vesey street. That black mass, when it broke discharged a perfect shower of twisted beams, lumber, parts of tin roofing and other objects. As long as 15 minutes after it occurred, pieces of wrapping paper kept coming down."

The force of the explosion was distinct-

ly felt in Wall street, where the accom-panying noises made people think that an earthquake had happened on the lower East Side. In the vicinity of Trinity Church there was much alarm and it was feared that the lofty spire of the old edi fice was about to topple over. The air was full of scraps of paper and charred wood, and a postal card badly scorched and addressed to Tarrant & Co. fell into manufacturer of 263 Greenwich street, the roadway in front of the Broad-street whose place was wrecked by the explo-

NOT SAYING MUCH, BUT GETTING A GOOD DEAL OF WOOD SAWED

# DAWSONASA PERMANENCY

EXTRACTS FROM THE ADVANCE

Cost of Working Reduced and Worthless Properties in 1897 and 1898 Now Yield Good Profits.

Dawson as follows:

The output of gold has been increas-ing, in spite of the fact that the average values of the gravels worked have been steadily declining, the richest mines hav-ing been worked first. However, in the meantime the cost of working has been decreasing, which enables properties to be worked that would not have yielded proxits in 1897 and 1898. There

SHEETS OF CONSULAR REPORTS.

last year.

September 24, Consul McCook writes from

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25,-Under date of

vice-president, W. A. McDonald secretary and treasurer and Albert Johnson general

A mass meeting of the equal suffragists of Washington will convene in Seattle No-vember 20, for the purpose of receiving the reports of officers and of discussing county organisation. The city directory canvass of Everett

ing June 5, 1965. This appointment is

to fill the vacancy caused by the expira

tion of the term of L. D. Collins, of New

The Grocers' Association of Everett has

taken up the matter of running a daily

boat from Everett and Seattle to Whidby

Island points, and has the promise of a certain steamboat owner that a boat will

be placed on the run if the merchants on

Sverett will pledge their freight from Se-

The fruitdrier at Tekoa closed down Sat-

urday on account of the disagreeable weather, farmers not being able to keep

it supplied with prunes. The weather has

not been favorable from the time it start-

ed operations. During its short run abou

25 tons of prunes have been dried, which

Klaybolt & Co., of Cincinnati, who were awarded the \$30,000 worth of bonds issued by school district No. 1, New Whatcom,

erecting additions to the school build-

Their

ngs, have as yet falled to comply with

bid was the lowest at 4½ per cent interest and a small premium. One of the new buildings is nearly finished, and the con-

tractor can draw no money because the money is not yet paid. Unless the money

is paid over very soon the board of di-rectors will award the bonds to one of

Idaho Notes.

bridge at Namos has arrived.

soon have a free mail delivery.

Iron for the Boise River railroad

Farmers in the vicinity of Weiser will

The prune-drier at Troy is running to

its full capacity and may continue until

Work is proceeding rapidly on the Presbyterian Church at Lewiston, It will

be finished according to contract before

The 150-foot contract held by Getchell & Shepherd on the 350-foot level of the Poorman mine, which was closed down on account of the inability to get air, will be resumed at once. They have

installed a new 6-foot hydraulic blower

Professor P. W. Search, of Clark Uni-

versity, who is in Europe, has written as follows: "Yesterday I saw some

magnificent apples from Idaho at the exposition. One of the officials called

my attention to them as specimens of remarkable perfection. They were beau-

ties. I saw nothing finer in the fruit

and work will be pushed with rapidity.

their contract to take the bonds.

the other bidders.

Christmas or later.

will be shipped to the Eastern market.

attle to it.

3821 names, which represents a population of 11,763, a gain over last year of 3800. Lowell comes in with a population of 1072, That lazy liver of yours which is a decided gain over the 603 of needs a whip. Ayer's Pills Governor Rogers has appointed Fred T. Offerman, of Fairhaven, a member of the State Board of Pharmacy for the term will stir it without stinging. All druggists. 25 cents a box.

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the edict. The Empress Downger showed trace of anger, but both Prince Tuan and Li Ping Heng at once rose in a towering rage and insisted on the im-mediate execution of the two culprits So the punishment was carried out, and they were disemboweled,

Sues for Accounting. Franklin Johnson, of New York State, yesterday commenced suft in the United States Court against W. C. Johnson, of Oregon City, for an accounting, and to recover \$4000, with interest, Complainant alleges that in 1894, when he was living in Chicago, he sent to W. C. Johnson, who is his uncle, then living in Oregon City, \$1000, defendant agreeing to invest it sufely, so that it would draw 10 per cont toterest. Owing to the relationship between them, the nephew implicitly trusted his uncle, but alleges that defendant has never paid him any part of the \$6000, except \$70; nor has he ever rendered any account of his transactions with the money, until July, 1900. Wherefore the nephew prays that an accounting be or-dered, and that he be decreed judgment for the \$4000 with interest at 5 per cent.

### The Next House Republican.

A canvass of the doubtful Congress districts has just been made by Washington Post, which shows that the Republican majority in the present House of Representatives will probe increased by next month's balloting. In summing up the situation disclosed in the replies received from its correspondents in the various states, the Post says:

The House of Representatives in the Fifty-seventh Congress will probably continue in control of the Republican party. Two weeks before the Presiden-tial election the indications are mostly that way by a majority of between 15 and 25. It may reach as high as 45, should the election prove a landslide for McKinley, as many Republicans believe it will, but that high figure is hardly to be expected."

display of the exposition." The total shipment of prunes and pears during the past season, says the Boise Statesman, was the largest for any single year in the history of the fruit business in that part of the state. The fruit that was shipped in bulk filled 291 cars. This does not include the immense amount that was shipped to various points under the special rates that were established by the Pacific Express Company in order to introduce Idaho fruit into new localities. When this can be accurately figured up it will un-doubtedly raise the entire season's shipment to well over 400 cars.

Oregon Stock Notes. A hog weighing 704 pounds was shipped from Junction to Portland last week. William Quinn, of Prineville, sold 4000 sheep at Ontario Friday for \$2.50 per head. H. N. Williams has about 800 hogs at

Elgin, which he will soon dispose of to the

Portland market.

George Ehrhardt, of Sürprise Valley, started a band of 300 fine beef cattle for Woodland, Cal., last week. The Kalhagan stock ranch at Fort Klamath has furnished the Seattle market with 500 head of beef cattle this season.

A. S. Roberts has sold 1200 sheep to Lane County buyers. They were shipped from The Dalles to their destination this Several sales of cattle have recently been made in the Silver Creek section of Harney County, among which were 130 cows with calves, which Walt Parker sold to A. Venator, at \$32 per cow and

calf. His old cows sold for \$20 per head, and he refused an offer of \$15 for weanling calves, which he preferred keeping, Stock in that part of the county is in good condition for the Winter. Jack Kelsay and his vaqueres came

down from Chewaucan last week with a fine band of cattle numbering 200 head, says the Lakeview Examiner. The antmals are fine beef, and belong to Innes Bros. and Kelsay. They are on pasture at the Venator ranch, and will be kept there until after election. Mr. Kelsay believes that if McKinley is re-elected the cattle will sell at an advanced figure.

## DIED TRYING TO SAVE.

Chinese Ministers Executed for Altering Imperial Edict.

The most heroic martyrs of the Chinese insurrection were Ministers Hsu and Yuen, who were executed for altering an Imperial edict. The details are as

follows: About June 21 or 22 Prince Tuan had a draft edict sanctioned by the Empress Dowager and ordered the Ministers Hau Ching Cheng and Yuen Chang to transmit it by wire to the Viceroys and Gov-ernors throughout the Empire, these two being charged with the duty of sending

out Imperial messages. On going th the edict in question, Hsu and Yuen came across a passage which said:
"You are hereby ordered to kill and destroy all the foreign missionaries, the Christian converts, the foreign houses, the churches, the foreign officials and merchants that may be found in the country, and you shall incur our displeasure by being slow in discharging the duties imposed upon you, etc." The astonishment of the two Ministers was unbounded, and on Hsu asking the opinion of Yuen, the latter replied that

the edict could not be sent out. There was no time to hesitate about taking a heroic step. Yuen took up a brush erased the words "kill and destroy all," and wrote in their places, "do your most to protect." Thus altered, the edict was duly for-

warded. This done, Hsu said to his league: "There will be no more safety for us," to which Yuen answered:
"Why should we two regret our own death? What we should do at this juncture is to act for the safety of the try and protect the lives of innocent, millions. Should we be killed in these en-deavors, our death will be our life, and my desires will be fulfilled."

Boon after they secretly sent their fam illes out of Pekin to their homesteads in the South, knowing well that they would never see them again. On his arrival subsequently, Li Ping

Heng appeared before the Empress Dow-ager and Prince Tuan and made a detailed report on the attitude of the great southern Viceroys, who were, he said, conspiring with foreigners contrary to the Imperial wishes. Referring to the edict above mentioned, he said that it ordered the Viceroys and Governors to protect the foreigners, thus directing them to act in a manner quite the contrary to which the Central Government itself was acting in

The last remark caused the Empress Dowager and Prince Tuan to summon at once to their presence Hau and Yuen, G. Simpson is president, A. H. Anderson who confesed having made alterations in



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neighborhood about the chemicals in the | trict was surcharged with a strong odor, Tarrant concern. R. M. Dixon, member of the firm of R. W. Dixon & Son, of Washington street, declared tonight that ings were soon crowded with spectators,

for several weeks neighbors had noticed barrels and carboys going into the building. Everybody was apprehensive of fire in that particular place.

Phillips, the engineer at Tarrant's, said, when he described his own exit from the burning building, that Patterson, the chemist, had told him some time ago that there were dangerous chemicals in the place, and that if it ever got afire

the place, and that if it ever got after the best thing the people employed there could do would be to get as far away and as quickly as they could.

George Murphy, inspector of combustibles for the fire department, said after the fire that the Tarrants had a permit for the storing of one barrel of turpentine, one barrel of benzolne and 100 pounds of colledom with slephal. He pounds of collodiom with alcohol. He could not say that this amount had been Injured and Missing. The most seriously injured are:

Carl Burderwald, Brooklyn, both legs Daniel Carmody, legs crushed. Joseph Daken, burned and cut; condioritical.

Henrietta German, Brooklyn, cut about head and face, internally injured; may John Myers, New York, both legs roken

W. S. Temple, New York, leg broken

Following is a list of the missing:

F. R. Armstrong, Rutherford, N. J., employed at 270 Greenwich street; Mile Belding, New York; Mary Bradley, York, employed at 49 Murray street; Mrs. Bishop and two daughters, wife and children of proprietor of Home-Made Hotel: Joseph Basso, borough of the Bronx; Ira C. Barnes, New York; Fran-cis Barnes, Summit, N. J.; John Creigher, Brooklyn, employed at 401 Warren street; Michael Coughlan, New York, street-cleaning department employe; Kate Callahan, New York, employed by Tarrant; Isaac Cohen, New York, truck-driver; Henrietta Clark, Hoboken, employed by breenwich street; Harriet

Tarrant; — Dowrdkowitz, New York, employed at 288 Greenwich street; George Donnelly, New York, truckman; Erie St. Flastman, New York, employed by Acker, Merrill & Condit; Millie Golden, employed by Tarrant; Miss Griffin, employed at 288 Brooklyn, employed by Tarrant; William Halsey, Brooklyn, employed at 162 War-ren; Louis Joskell, New York; Ben-jamin Moorhouse, Mountclair, N. J., employed by Tarrant; Julia Murphy, New York; Henry Muh, Brooklyn; Jules Op-penhelm, address not known; Mary Rusch, Weehawken, N. J., employed by Tarrant; Frank Scoetter, Roselle, N. J. employed by Electric Supply Company; Kate Smith, Jersey City, employed at 152 Chambers; George Schuyk, Brooklyn, employed by Tarrant; Morris Spielkoff, York; Mary Smith, New York, employed by Tarrant; James New York street-cleaning department; Patrick Hennessey, Hoboken; Morris Kwaver, New York; V. H. Mattheuk, New York, employed by a piano firm on Broadway: Frederick Peters, Hoboken, plumber: George Sulker, Brooklyn, em-

ployed at 169 Chambers. At 3 o'clock the fire was completely under control of the firemen, the fiames still burning flercely in the interior of spreading was over. flames had been extinguished in the buildings south of Warren street, and crowds of men from the building departwere put to work tearing down

high walls In addition to the great number of injured who were taken from the ruins at the scene of the disaster or from the imediate vicinity and carried in ambulances to the various hospitals, a great number of cases, some of them said to be more than trifling, were attended to in the down-town district. A canvass of the drug stores on Lower Broadway deeloped the fact that persons who at the time of the explosion were blocks away from the scene of the catastrophe had straggled in a half-dazed condition to have injuries from flying glass or falling lebris attended to.

W. L. Sergeant, who occupies an office on the 22d floor of the Syndicate building, the tallest sky-scraper in this city, watched the fire and subsequent explowatched the fire and subsequent explo-sions from the window of his office. He

"I had been watching the fire for five

or six minutes when the first explosion

. 000,000 a year for many years to come, f the expenses of working are further reduced. The main causes for the high cost as if of acids The roofs of the tall buildand much anxiety was manifested. Combination on the part of merchants and traders to keep up paces. There are

Told by an Eye-Witness. The Rev. Martin Luther, of the Wilson Memorial Church, who was within a block of the scene of the accident when the explosion occurred, had a remarakable escape. He was on his way from the Franklin-street ferry to attende the noon meeting of the John-Street Methodist Church. He was suffering from a wound in the head as a result of trying to hold a horse which had been knocked down

by a truck ·
"My experience," he said, "was one which I will never forget. I came up Franklin street from the ferry, and turned down Washington street toward Warren. I had just turned the corner into War-ren street when the first explosion occurred. When the second and terrific curred. When the second and terrinc crash came I was in the middle of the block between Greenwich and Market streets, on the south side of the street.

"Just before the great explosion, I had on several of the creeks, and these will be the street of the creeks, and these will be the street of the creeks, and these will be the street of the creeks, and these will be the street of the creeks. en directly oposite the burning ing, looking at the fire and the escaping down the fire ladders. Had I remained in that position a few ments longer I would have been killed. I consider my escape an act of Provi-

"When I first arrived on the scene there was a dense black smoke pouring out of the windows of the burning building. As I looked, men and women were being assisted out by the firemen, and were coming down the ladders. Then there was a noise from the interior of

### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* DO NOT LOSE YOUR VOTE FOR PRESIDENT.

If you were entitled to register last Spring, you are entitled to vote at the coming election, whether you registerer then or not. Secure the affidavits of six freeholders that you are entitled to vote, and leave them with the judges of election. The blanks will be furnished without cost, and the serv ices of the Notary are free. Apply to John F. Logan, 103 Third street, or to Wilbur Kern, Burkhard building, corner of Grand and Union avenues, East . Bide.

......................... the structure, and a white smoke began to pour out. Just before that I left the front of the building and went down the block. Every one on the escapes seemed to have been rescued, and so far could see there was no one on the escapes when the explosion occurred.
"As I looked, one man appeared at one of the upper windows. His face exooth agony and fear. The smoke

almost shut him out from the view of those in the street. "'Go up to the roof. For God's sake, go up,' the crowd shouted. "The man left the window. A few mo-ments later the big explosion occurred, and I believe he perished. It seemed to me that the whole building was carried up into the air, only to break into a thousand pleces to come down on the people and houses, bringing death and

destruction. There was a slight sound before the explosion, and then with a flash and noise that shook the ground the building went up.
"I was standing near a building, and as there was a break in the crowd, I darted through and got just inside the shelter of the doors when the glass in the windows of the building crashed in

and the glass fell all about me "The crowd stampeded down the street, Men fell over each other, and to add to the excitement, the truck horses stampeded. There were a great number of trucks in the vicinity, and as it was the moon hour, many of the horses had their food bags over their heads. At Green-wich street they blocked the street. Those that had fallen were kicked and run down by others trying to get past. I tried to get to one of the horses which was not injured but which had fallen. I made an effort to get him on his feet, but was kicked in the head."

A number of farmers about Glenwood are going into the sheep industry. J. H. Hadley and son, Roye, have purchased 300 fine ewes, and will Winter them on clover William McGrath has bo and will Winter them at Mr. Childer's place, near Columbus. Alva and Paul Kuhnhausen have also purchased some occurred. This was weak compared to Kuhnh those which followed. In all, there were sheen,

High cost of transportation from Skagway to Dawson or by sea and up the Yu kon River to Dawson.

Bad condition of the roads and cons quent excessive freight rates to the mines, quent excessive freight rates to the mines. At times, it is absolutely impossible to take freight along the main creeks except on mule back. This prevents the moving of machinery and involves delay. The average rate of freight from Dawson to the mines during this Summer, when it was lower than it had ever been before, was from 3 to 15 cents are pound accord-

within 24 hours.

of working at present are as follows:

in Dawson a great many people who make a business of watching the market,

forming corners and raising prices. It is

not uncommon to see the price of staple articles of food double or treble in value

on several of the creeks, and these will fford considerable relief. Unsatisfactory mining

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which cause many disputes as to title and heavy cost for rettiement. This is due to having regulations here more applicable to other districts, but the government is now taking steps to reform these mat A charge of 10 per cent on the gross out

put of any claim over \$5000 per year is made. This, with the miner's license, reording fees and other government charges, prevents the working of a great There can be no doubt that gambling has done very much towards retarding the development of the country.

As a large part of the ground worked must be thawed, generally with steam, immense quantities of fuel are required. The hills in the neighborhood of the mines have been denuded of forests, and the cost of fuel is increasing. From \$12 to \$25 per cord is now paid for wood. The remedy for this difficulty will be in building a railroad to the principal creeks, to convey wood and coal from Dawson

Considerable capital has come in from England in a tentative way-probably \$2,000,000 or \$4,000,000-and the representatives have stated that their people were prepared to put in any quantity that the conditions would justify. Their experience of the past two years, however, has been discouraging, and a number of them speak of qutting entirely unless changes are brought about that will enable them to handle large areas of gravel cheaply. There have been no discoveries of cop-per in the immediate neighborhood. Con-

siderable prospecting is being done near Whitehorse, and good results are claimed. Not much attention has been paid to quartz until lately. A good many reports of discoveries have been made, and some prospecting is being done near Dawson and along the Yukon and its branches farther up.

Recently, some valuable placer gold claims have been located in River mining district, over 100 miles from Dawson. Several hundred miners particiin a stampede to this There is no doubt, now that this Klondike section has been thrown open again by the Government to prospectors, that many new discoveries will be made in the near

## Washington Notes.

Jared Pintler, a barber, was arrested at Tekoa Saturday for resisting an officer with scissors. The Vincent Methodist Episcopal Church of Spokane will at once proceed with the

building of a new church. E. D. Clark has been sentenced at Colfax to imprisonment of one year for cattle stealing four years ago. The Waitsburg Gazette reports that red

squirrels are coming out in Spring Valley, after hibernating 2½ months. A six-foot vein which samples 18 ounces silver per ton and 26 per cent lead is reported to have been discovered 19 miles northeast of Colvilla.

Charles D. Smeed, head clerk at the

Rainier-Grand Hotel, at Seattle, is said to be missing and to be short in his ac-counts to the amount of \$655. The Church of Our Savior of the Norwe gian Lutheran Society at Tacoma was robbed of % chairs Friday. They were taken away in a wagon in broad daylight. The Phoenix Logging Company was organized a few days ago, with a capital stock of \$50,000, and will commence opera-tions in the Hood Canal country. Solomon