## WILL TEST THE PLAN

SCHEME FOR SETTLEMENT OF LA BOR DISPUTES.

Thirty-six Men Chosen From the Ranks of Workingmen, the Great Industries and General Public.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- The conference between the leaders of labor and capital closed today with a decision to give the plan to harmonize their divergent interests a practical test. It was unantmously agreed that the working details of the scheme shall be perfected by an executive committee of 36, to be chosen in equal numbers from the ranks of organized labor, the great industrial and financial leaders and the public not identifled with either of the two interests, in the afternoon Chairman Strauss and Sec retary Easiey, with Archbishop Ireland, Senator Hanna, Samuel Gompers, Presi-dent Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers: Frank P. Sargent, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, and others who had taken part in the conference, met to select the members of the executive After several hours of consuttation, the following names were an-

To represent the employers and capi-talists—Senator Hanna, James A. Chambers, president American Glass Company, Pittsburg; William H. Pfahler, president National Association of Stove Manufac tureres: F. A. Callaway, president American Locomotive Works; Lewis Nixon, president and owner of the Crescent Shipyard, Elizabethport, N. J.; Charles M. Schwab, president United States Steel Corporation; H. H. Vreeland, president Metropolitan Street Railway Company, New York; Charles A. Moore, president Machine Manufacturing Company; John D. Rockefeller, Jr.; E. D. Ripley, presi-dent Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railroad: Marcus M. Marks, president Nation Association of Clothing Manufacturers; Julius Krutschnitt, general manager

Southern Pacific Railroad, To represent organized labor-Samuel Gompers, president American Federation of Labor: John Mitchell, president United Mine Workers; Frank P. Sargent, grand master Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen; Theodore J. Schaffer, president Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers; James Duncan, secre tary Granite Cutters' Union; Daniel J. Keefe, president International Association of Longshoremen; James O'Connell, presi-International Association of Machinists; Martin Fox, president Iron Molders' National Union; James E. Lynch, president International Typographical Union Edward E. Clarke, grand master Order of Railway Conductors; Henry White, sec-retary Garment Workers of America; Walter MacArthur, editor Coast Seamen's Journal, San Francisco.

To represent the public-Ex-President Grover Cleveland, Archbishop John Ireland Bishop Henry C. Potter, Charles Francis Adams, Cornellus N. Bliss, ex-Secretary of the Interior; Charles W. Ellot, prestdept of Harvard University; Franklin McVeagh, Chicago; ex-Controller of the Currency James H. Eckels, John J. Mc-Cook, of this city; John G. Milburn, of

Buffalo; Charles A. Bonaparte, Baltimore, Chairman of conference Oscar C. Strauss and Secretary Ralph M. Easley are ex-officio members of the committee. A sub-committee of three to consider plans, scope and procedure, was appointed. The executive committee will meet tomorrow for organization, the election of officers end the drafting of a plan upon which to

When Chairman Oscar Strauss called the meeting to order Samuel Gompers, Theodore Shaffer, John Mitchell and the other leaders of the American Federation of Labor who were detained at Scranton, had not reached the hall, Frank Sargent, grand master of the Brotherhood of Railway Firemen, was present, and Senator Haina and Archbishop Ireland were again in attendance. Others present were Rev. Frank W. Merry, of Bos-ton, chairman of the labor committee of the National Council of the Congregational Church; Thomas H. Kenney, of the Knights of Labor, of Boston; George F. McNeil, of the American Federation of Labor, of Boston; E. B. Durand, of the Industrial Commission, and S. P. Gallo-

### Unionism Not a Menace.

Frank Sargent, of the Brotherhood of Firemen, replying to the criticism of Charles M. Schwab, as to organized labor, said that unionism was not a menace but an instrument of peace and good; was within the law, and was a strong influence toward the maintenance of the are taking down the barriers," he

said, "that have seemed to separate us. We are privileged to touch elbows here and exchange ideas, and I feel sure that good will come of it. The trouble in the past has been that we have not underital without labor, and the man who does work and the man who manipulates the capital should realize their dependence on one another. The great leader of capital who spoke yesterday would e work of the men in the furnaces and in the mines. That is the fact that I isk capital to remember." Mr. Sargent said the firemen had long

since adopted the policy of reasoning with their employers and educating their own men to a point of intelligence as to the rights of both themselves and their employers. They made no sacrifice of their rights or manhood. "But," he add-"they reserved the right to fight despotic oppression, to crush wrong where reason did not prevail." He said that when labor and capital would fairly and reasonably meet one another, industrial disorder would be greatly reduced.

Lewis Nixon, the shipbuilder, who fol-lowed Mr. Sargent, said that he hoped the conference would effect the organization of a sort of industrial clearing-house, where disputes could be settled. He favored organized labor, and in criticism of had only to say that he thought it needed a greater spirit of Americanism, for eved certain objectionable things nich had grown up in other countries had been imported here.

In a telegram to the conference Carroll O. Wright, United States Commissioner of Labor, urged the adoption of the joint plan for the settlement of la-

The officers of the American Federation of Labor reached the meeting at noon, and Samuel Gompers was presented to the conference at once. He was given a warm welcome. Prefacing his speech with the declaration that "the whole struggle of the human family has been for a better condition of those who work," Mr. Gompers traced the history of the toller from captivity in the hands of the conslavery and serfdom,

#### down to modern times, Compers Not Opposed to Trusts.

"It is as idle to think that the individu al worker can secure justice as to think that the rudderless ship can escape the tempest," said Mr. Gompers. "It is nec-essary for him to merge his interests with his fellows and thus obtain his in the hue and cry against combinations apital. I may say parenthetically I do object to the trusts interfering capital. with the politics of the country and particularly with the judiciary. Dealing with them industrially I welcome them. I also wish to see organization of work ers and I believe the best interests of the two will prevail when their representatheir differences. They are jointly ele-ments in the production and distribution The employer has no right to to the laborer that there is nothing between them to arbitrate. That declara tion has all the viciousness of the old relation of master and slave. Labor need have no fear for the future. Absolute assurance lies in the justice of its cause, the humane principles upon which it

works, and in the grit and character which makes up the American people." which makes up the American people."

John Mitchell, president of the United
Mineworkers of America, strongly advocated peace. "I think," he said, "the
solution of the labor problem is not a diffcult one. It needs no introduction of Utopian ideas. Men should reason together and when they meet they should be honest with one another. I have never seen strike that could not have been averted if the two interests had met fairly in advance. If the great plan outlined be-

fore this conference is carried out it will do more good than any movement in our country. Ben Tillet, of London, one of the English representatives at the meeting of the American Federation of Labor, and James Duncan also spoke, and Archbishop Ire-land made the closing address of the con-ference. He said in part:

"May the winds carry the news over the Continent, around the world, that such a meeting has taken place in the great City of New York. The hope of the 39th City of New York. The hope of the 38th century is that the great principles of brotherhood, charity and justice announced by the holy one of Palestine shall become wider and deeper at this time than at any other time. Let us have industrial peace. Let employer and employe know that they are brothers. Let thatity and justice and justice more than charity and justice and justice more than harity be the prevailing light of this

Frank Sargent moved that a general executive committee composed of 10 representatives of labor, 10 of capital and resentatives of labor, 10 of capital and ent reports emanating both from South today comment approvingly on the rati16 from the general public be appointed. Africa and from Boer headquarters in fication of the Hay-Pauncefoto treaty by Bear-Admiral Schley from the time he who was in command at the battle of

### BOER LEADER CAPTURED

KRITZINGER FALLS INTO THE HANDS OF GENERAL FRENCH.

Persistent Rumors From Dutch Headquarters in Europe of an Approaching Crists.

LONDON, Dec. 17 .- A dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Belfast (about half way between Pretoria and the frontier of Portuguese East Africa), announces that Commandant Kritzinger, the famous Boer commander, who has figured so prominently in connection with the invasion of Cape Colony, has been captured, badly wounded, by General French. Kritzinger was trying to break the blockhouse cor-

don at Hanover Road.

The capture of Commandant Kritzinger, who has been styled the "Dewet of Cape olony," is regarded as very important, He has been a troublesome invader of Cape Colony and is credited with more barbarities than any other commandant except Schelpers. In a recent proclama tion he called himself the chief command.

ant of Cape Colony.

During the last few days most persist-

placed 95,000 tons of coal at the disposal of the government. They have also of-fered to provide transportation facilities for 40,600 men as soon as desired.

The Diaro published a telegram from London to the effect that the British

Government had addressed a telegraphic communication to the Chilean and Arg fices to bring about a settlement of all existing difficulties between the two countries. The British Government adds that

it takes this step at the instance of Chile.

Telegrams received here from Santiago affirm that a great majority of the members of the Chilean Congress are in fa-vor of a prompt and peaceful settlement. The work of arming the Argentine transports for war service has begun.

Pope Complains of False Reports. NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- A dispatch from Rome to the Paris Temps, quoted by the correspondent of the New York Times and London Times in the French capital, describes an interview with the pope, in which his holiness complained against the false reports in regard to his health. "You see," the pope said, "that it is not all over with me. I work six or eight hours a day, and my work is not easy, for

it embraces the whole church. Please say that I am not yet dead." Calls the Treaty One-Sided. LONDON, Dec. 17 .- With the exception of the Globe, the afternoon newspapers today comment approvingly on the rati-

# RESOLUTIONS ON SCHLEY

MANY WERE INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE YESTERDAY.

Call for an Investigation, the Thanks of Congress, Increase of Pay and a Sword of Honor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-Representative Wheeler, of Kentucky, a member of the House committee on naval affairs, today introduced a resolution for an investiga-tion of the Schley case. The resolution recites the results of the recent court of quiry and adds:

Whereas, Admiral George Dewey, recognized as the foremost raval officer of the republic, entirely disagrees and dissents from the opinion of his colleagues on said board of inquiry; and, "Whereas, The American people desire

that the conduct of Rear-Admiral Schley should be investigated and passed upon by citizens of the Republic, in no wise connected or identified with the Navy Department; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the committee on naval affairs of the House of Representatives

work is expected to occupy them for several days.

Senator McComas, of Maryland, called at the Navy Department today and had a ong talk with Secretary Long before the latter departed for the Cabinet meeting. The Senator came to the department for the purpose of securing an extension by several days of the time allowed by Sec-retary Long for the submission of the statement of objections. Secretary Long informed Senator McComas that he would grant Admiral Schley's attorneys an extension of 24 hours. This will make the

time expire Thursday at 4 o'clock. Stayton & Moore, who appeared before the court of inquiry as attorneys for Admiral Sampson, have applied to Secretary Long for permission to be heard in protest against the approval by the Secretary of the minority report written by Admiral Dewey, and appended to the majority report of the court of inquiry. The Secre-tary has consented to receive any papers they may care to submit.

#### In Sampson's Behalf.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- Stayton and Campbell, attorneys for Rear-Admiral Sampson, are engaged in drawing up 1 formal protest against the minority fine ing of Admiral Dewey. Mr. Campbell

sald today: "We are preparing a brief, and have until Thursday afternoon to file it. It is based upon the record of the court. Three times, in behalf of Admiral Sampson.

### HOW TO FIND OUT

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains the linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it, or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

#### WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney and bladder rem-edy, fulfills every wish in curing theumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the upassage. It corrects inability to water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant ecessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the ex-traordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50ent and \$1 sizes.

You may have a sample bottle of Swamp-Root and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail. Address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Bing-hamton, N. Y. When writing mention that you read this generous offer in The Portland Daily Oregonian

the Scandinavian-American Bank at Whatcom, Wash., was granted at the Bow Street Police Court today. The prisoner was allowed 15 days in which to appeal,

#### G. A. R. Pension Committee.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 17.—Ell Torance, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., today announced the following mittee on pensions: Colonel Robert Beath, Philadelphia; Colonel John C. Black, Chicago: General James R. Carnahan cago; General James K. Carmanan, In-dianapolis; Judge Charles Burton, Neva-da, Mo.; ex-Governor W. H. Uphim, Marshfield, Wis.; Heary E. Taintor, Hart-ford, Conn., and John C. Lineham, Pena-cock, N. H.

Dr. R. S. Huldkoper Dend. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.-Dr. Rush S. Huidkoper died here today from plication of discuses, said to have been contracted during the Spanish-American War. Dr. Huldkoper was United States Commissioner-General at the exposition at Hamburg in 1881, and in 1892 was appointed Chief Surgeon in the Army, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. He was 47 years old.

#### Yncht for the President.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.-Work has just been started on the yaeht Restless, which for the past three months has been lying in the navy yard in Brooklyn. It is said the boat, when fitted out, will be used by the President and Secretary of the Navy as a yacht in place of the Mayflower, as take two months at least to got the boat in trim.

#### Nominations Confirmed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17,-Among the minations confirmed by the Senate today were: Nathan V. Harlin, Attorney for the Third District of Alaska; Charles Prouty, Interstate Commerce Commis-sioner; Robert C. Bolle, supervising in-spector of steam vessels, Second District; W. L. Tooze, Postmaster at Woodburn,

### Shed Fell Upon Him.

AUGUSTA, Mont., Dec. 17.-Herman Buckholdt, a well-known ranchman living near here, was killed by a shed falling upon him during a wind storm. The wind was blowing a gale. Suddenly the build-ing toppled over, the timbers striking him upon the back and head instantly killing

#### Two More Deaths From Flood. TOWANDA, Pa., Dec. 17.-Two more

leaths from the flood are reported tonight. making five lives thus far known to have been lost in this (Bradford) County. Mr. and Mrs. Abner Richards, well-to-do residents of Austinville, aged about 50 years,

### THE FEAR OF HUMBUG

Prevents Many People From Trying a Good Medicine.

Stomach troubles are so common and in most cases so obstinate to cure that people are apt to look with suspicion on any remedy claiming to be a radical, permanent cure for dyspensia and indigestion. Many such pride themselves on their acuteness in never being humbugged, especially in medicines.

This fear of being humbugged can be carried too far, so far, in fact, that many cople suffer for years with weak digeson rather than risk a little time and money in faithfully testing the claims made of a preparation so reliable and uni-versally used as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tab-

Now Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are vastly different in one important respect from ordinary proprietary medicines, for the reason that they are not a secret patent medicine, no secret is made of their ingredients, although they are sold by all druggists under protection of trade-mark, but analysis shows them to contain the natural digestive ferments, pure aseptic pepsin, the digestive acids, Golden Seal, bismuth, hydrastis and nux. They are not cathartic, neither do they act powerfully on any organ, but they cure ndigestion on the common-sense plan of digesting the food eaten thoroughly be-fore it has time to ferment, sour and cause the mischlef. This is the only se-

ret of their success. Cathartic pills never have and never an cure indigestion and stomach trouoles, because they act entirely on the bowels, whereas the whole trouble is really in the stomach. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets taken after

meals digest the food. That is all there s to it. Food not digested or half diheadaches, publication of the heart. of flesh and many other troubles which are often called by some other name.

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ASK Druggist 10 CENT scene. Several freight cars are on fire.

TRIAL SIZE. Ely's Cream Balm Gives Relief at once.

It cleanses, soothes and heals the diseased membrane. It cures Catarris and drives away a Cold In the Head quickly. It is absorbed. Heals and Protects the Membrane. Restores the Senses of Taste and Smell. Full size 190.; Trial Size 190.; at Druggists or by mail. ELY BROTHERS, 56 Warren Street, New York.

# Minutes

of soak and rinse with Pearline washing for every hour of hard rubbing with old-fashioned washing. You save half the time. It's easier, pleasanter, healthier work. Soaking the clothes in Pearline and water

out with little or no rubbing. This soaking is absolutely harmless to the clothes; takes hold better, does the work more thoroughly, makes it easier to get things clean than with any soap.

### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF PORTLAND NATIONAL BANKS.

Condition at Close of Business December 10, 1901, Compared With December 13, 1900.

	First National Bank.		Merchants National Bank		U. S. National Bank.		Ainsworth National Bank.		Totals.	
	Dec. 13, 1900.	Dec. 10, 1901.	Dec. 13, 1900.	Dec. 10, 1901.	Dec. 13, 1900.	Dec. 10, 1901,	Dec. 13, 1900.	Dec. 10, 1901,	Dec. 13, 1900	Dec. 10, 1901.
Resources— Loans and discounts United States bonds Other bonds and stocks Real estate, furniture and fixtures. Redemption fund in United States Treasury Cash on hand and due from banks	85,650-00	\$2,061,123 66 1,100,000 00 2,488,584 74 58,767 98 26,710 96 2,404,981 28	\$1,684,789 70 50,900 00 60,207 04 110,684 35 2,500 00 491,888 78	\$1,181,992 48 50,000 00 208,570 12 61,510 47 627,796 06	\$ 395,985 11 51,890 00 87,704 86 40,724 42 2,500 00 522,824 17	\$ 585,896 67 51,800 00 41,278 76 2,500 00 646,511 92	\$353,156 13 25,000 00 27,187 90 2130,556 00 1,700 00 191,074 09	\$350,274 77 25,000 00 34,870 00 \$120,556 00 1,250 00 195,685 52	\$ 3,682,801 74 1,226,500 00 2,482,625 83 367,614 77 81,700 00 3,138,946 08	\$ 4,179,286   1,226,800   2,732,004   332,103   30,460   3,874 373
Totals  Liabilities— Capital stock Surplus and undivided profits. Circulation Deposits	\$7,301,065 87 500,000 00 770,576 76 495,350 00 5,535,139 11	\$8,180,158 62 \$ 500,000 00 747,950 49 476,830 00 6,455,378 13	\$1,500,109 87 \$ 250,000 00 71,416 43 50,000 00 1,428,693 44	\$2,129,868 13 \$ 250,000 00 87,560 40 30,000 00 1,742,307 73	\$1,100,638 56 \$ 250,000 00 43,142 62 50,000 00 757,436 94	\$1,327,986 35 \$ 250,000 00 47,668 88 50,000 00 980,317 47	\$729,580 37 \$100,000 00 30,134 28 25,000 00 574,446 09	\$737,942 54 \$100,000 00 39,130 33 25,000 00 573,812 21	\$1,100,000 00 \$1,100,000 00 \$15,270 09 \$20,350 00 \$,295,774 58	*\$12,375,966 \$ 1,100,000 922,310 901,830 9,751,815
Totals	\$7,301,065 87	\$8,180,158 62	\$1,800,100 87	\$2,129,868 13	\$1,100,638 16	\$1,827,986 35	\$729,580 37	\$737,942 54	\$10,931,394 67	\$12,375,955

onference. The resolution was adand Chairman Strauss announced that the ittee would be appointed during the day and would be asked to meet at once,

### DARK DAYS FOR DOWIE. The Zionist's Methods of Raising

Funds Exposed. CHICAGO, Dec. 17 .- Testimony was of fered before Judge Tuley today in the suit for the appointment of a receiver for John Alexander Dowle's Zion lace industries to show that Dowle possessed some mysterious power over his disciples, and that by means of it he induced them to

obey his commands implicitly. Samuel Stevenson, the plaintiff, who harges Dowie with having defrauded him of \$185,000 by his power, swore that Dowle waved his hands and exerted this influence by pressing him closely to his body. Stevenson testified that three times he had felt an indescribable awe when Dowle pressed him to his body and that from this influence he and other persons felt that Dowie could call down a curse upon him effectually. He related how Dowie is said to have declared that if Dwight L. Moody did not cease his fight against Zion he would not say that Moody might not die, and that later Dowle told how Moody had taken sick and died. During this testimony a dramatic recital was made how Dowie had declared himself to be Elijah the restorer, how "at the last day" he would be caught up in the clouds and or the dark days to come for all outside of Zion.

### Applied for a Receiver.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- According to the build the water plant for Jersey City under an assignment to the company of the as it contract awarded to Patrick H. Flynn, of rope. Brooklyn, the chief stockholder in the water company. The application was made by William Belden, a broker, and brother of Henry Belden, who has been conspicuous for years in endeavoring form a company to supply water to Jer-

### Cold and Fog in England.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Cold, accompanied by dense fog, upset most of the traffic arrangements in London this morning. River traffic was at a standstill for hours, and thousands of out-of-door were unable to reach work. The railroads in the provinces are slowly clearing their tracks, which have been snowbound for four or five days. Telegraphic communication remains greatly impaired.

Mrs. McKinley's Sisters Visit Her. CANTON, O., Dec. 17.—Two sisters of the late President, Mrs. A. J. Duncan and Miss Helen McKinley, of Cleveland, are ere to visit Mrs. McKinley. Mrs. Mc Kinley does not require medical attention, although Drs. Philip and Portmann see

### Telegraphic Brevities.

her once or twice a week.

Two sentries were frozen to death at Lisbon The Rothschilds have formed a naphtha come at Haku.

Major-General Sir Francis D. Winton is dead at London. H was born in 1835. Chicago schoolchildren have subscribed \$23,-000 to the McKinley memorial fund. Sharkey has commenced training for his fight with Maher, at Philadelphia, January 17. Miss Eleanor Ludiow, of Springfield, O., denies that she is engaged to Captain Hobson The Colorado Fuel & Iron Company declared the regular quarterly dividend of 1% per cent.

Judge Darling, of Vermont, formally assumed the duties of Assistant Secretary of the Navy yesterday. Imported Esher, sire of a number of great stakewinners, died at Lexington, of pneumonia,

Prisoners in the jail at Barcelona mutinied and nearly overpowered the guards. Troops suppressed the disorder. aged 18 years.

Kid Sayres, of Milwaukee, got the decision over Hilly Rotchford, of Chicago, on a foul in the second round at Milwaukee. Marquis Ito ascertained while in St. Péters burg that Russia recognized as legitimate Ja-pan's claims to economic expansion in Corea. The transport Kilpatrick has arrived at Nag-usaki, en route to San Francisco, with short-term soldiers, and the Egbert has left Naga-

saki for Manila. Charles E. Fitcham, teller of the First National Bank of Ballston, N. Y., whose defaica-tion caused the bank to close, surrendered to a United States Marshal.

Further hearing in the case of Albert T. Patrick, under indictment at New York for the alleged murder of William Marsh Rice, has been adjourned until January 13.

John Coff. at Morocco, writes that he expect

ed a fine-blooded Arabian horse to reach him from the interior about December 10, which will be shipped to Washington for President Roosevelt's use. To Get Rid of a Troublesome Corn. To Get Rid of a Troublesome Corn.
First soak it in warm water to soften it,
then pare it down as closely as possible
without drawing the blood and apply
Chamberlain's Pain Baim, twice daily,
rubbing vigorously for five minutes at
each application. A corn plaster should
be worn for a few days, to protect it from
the shoe. As a general liniment for
sprains, bruises, lameness and rheumatism, Pain Baim is unequaled. For sale
by all druggists.

o take up the movement fostered by the | Europe of an approaching crisis in South | the United States Senate today. The assumed control of the flying squadron | Santiago. The court ruled that such tes-African affairs have been current. It is alleged that Mr. Kruger will abandon his demand for independence and that the Boer leaders in the field are inclined to cease fighting and seek the best terms obtainable. In a speech yesterday at Cape Town Sir J. Gordon Spriggs, the Premier of Cape Colony, declared that the outlook had never been brighter than at the present time.

#### EARTHQUAKE IN NEW ZEALAND. Great Destruction of Property in the Cheviot District.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.-New Zealand news received by steamer gives de-tails of great destruction of property in the Cheviot district by an earthquake on November 18. In the town of Cheviot and ountry the damage will reach £25,000. Scarcely a building was left standing. The fine homestead of Sir George Clifford was wrecked. Great fissures opened in the earth and water issued from them. In one office a heavy safe was thrown across the room, and brick chimneys fell like toy houses, The people are panic-stricken, as the of bounty-fed sugar to fresh markets, shocks still continue. At Walian River, and thus upsetting the general system great cracks opened in the river bed, into which water poured. Then they closed and volumes of water were sent hundreds of feet into the air.

Among the passengers on the steamer Coptic were Colonel H. F. C. von Byle-vett, who has been in Java for 28 years in command of the Dutch Colonial Army and Judge R. L. Dannenbargh, first vicepresident of the Supreme Court of Java. Judge Dannenbargh says conditions in Java are quite satisfactory. The big ropeans and Americans. The Malay Tribune, an application has been made tribes, he says, have long since ceased to for a receiver for the Jersey City Water be troublesome, and it is now quite as Supply Company, which was organized to safe to penetrate to the most out of the way and inaccessible parts of the islands as it is to travel on the continent of Ec

### COLOMBIA AND VENEZUELA.

Hostilities Between the Two Countries About to Begin.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-Semi-official advices received here indicate that hos-tilities are about to begin between Colombia and Venezuela. The delay in proceeding to extremes has been largely caused by the lack of a suitable stock of arms and ammunition by the Colombian Government. This is about to be remedied. The news that comes today is to the effect that the British steamer Ban Righ, which recently excited suspicion by loading a large cargo of arms in European waters, supposedly intended for the Boers in South Africa, but really for the Colom-bian Government, is now near Colon, and the advice is to the effect that when her cargo is distributed among the Colom-bian troops, hostilities will begin between

### Colombia and Venezuela.

Alban Accuses Castro. COLON, Colombia, Dec. 17.—The correspondent here of the Associated Press reuested General Carlos Alban to explain Colombia's refusal to accept the condi-tions of arbitration demanded by Venezuela. General Alban has replied to this

request in the following terms:
"General Castro, President of Venezus la, is the principal factor in the Colombian revolution. Since the beginning of the war he has furnished the revolutionists with arms and ammunition. Castro ancelled the exequateurs of several Co-ombian Consuls in Venezuela, and insultingly treated Senor Rico, the Colombian Minister at Caracas. Castro now pretends to demand satisfaction from Colombia, asking her to accept Chile's offer of me-For the above expressed reason

Colombia severe diplomatic relations with "I would be glad if the press would give publicity to the recent conduct of Presi-dent Regalado, of Salvador, who gave the Colombian revolutionists the steamer Ibis and also supplied them with arms and

ammunition, and this notwithstanding the formal protests of the Consuls." General Alban places no confidence in the report of the capture of Rio Hacha by General Uribe-Uribe. Alban says the Colombian Government has 60,000 men un-

ler arms.
The Colombian gunboat General Pinzor was seen this morning off Playa Donna. Foreigners there are claiming protection from the American and British Consulates foreigners there are claim! The French cruiser D'Estrees has arrived here. She relieves the French cruiser Suchet, which has sailed for Mar-

#### IT IS UP TO CHILE. No Answer Yet to Argentina's Latest Note.

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 17, via Galveston.-The Chilean answer to Argentina's reply to Chile's last note has not yet been received. Hope that the matter will be amicably arranged still prevails here. Senor Concha Subercaseux, the Chilean Minister to Argentina, is doing his utmost to this end. According to the Tiempo, no arrangement of the existing difficulties is possible if Chile refuses to accept the modifications suggested by Argentina to the two important para graphs in the original Chilean note.

Globe sees in the overwheiming majority for the ratification proof that the compact is regarded as one-sided, and cal-culated adversely to affect British political and commercial interests. Senator Teiler's offensive phrase, "In her present mood," clearly signifies, the paper says, "the conviction that England has become too submissive to stand up for her rights against the great Republic." The Globe oncludes: "It is a surrender, not a bargata. We hand over national property as purchase money for American friendship.

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The Brussels Sugar Conference, BRUSSELS, Dec. 17 .- A communication to the Press announces that the annual sugar conference today discussed the effects of high customs taxes on sugar. The indications are that the delegates favor the total abolition of sugar bounties. The main point of today's debate was the imposition of countervailing duties, especially the effect which the imposition of such duties by the United States might have in diverting the export and thus upsetting the general system of bounty paying duties. The German kartel system was also discussed. A proposition is pending to allow the sugar countries not possessing such a price-sustaining organization to pay a bounty of 2 francs per 100 kilos, to offset the ef-fect of the kartel system. At the same time the conference is doubtful of the efficiency of any action which it may take, in view of the fact that the United States and Russia are not bound by the dictum of the conference. The result may Dutch province is being rapidly settled, be to call a fresh conference, to include and its natural resources developed by Eurepresented.

> French Public Worship Bill. PARIS, Dec. 17.—In the Chamber of Deputies today the Premier, M. Waldeckesseau, urged the House to re-estab lish the public worship estimates, which were suppressed by the Budget Commission. He pointed out the advantages of the maintenance of concordat which gave the state authority over the clergy, and said a denunciation of the concordat would lead to the creation of a hierarchy, of which the head would be at Rome Ultramontanism would be no longer a doctrine, but a fact, and a spiritual chief would be created in France, in addition to the temporal chief. Moreover, the proposition for the denunciation of the concordat had never once found a ma-jority in the Chamber, and he, the Premier, dld not believe it existed now. Even the great revolution had not dared to separate the state and the church ought not to undertake a task which they were not sure they were able to carry out, for, if the policy of separation is to get a check, it would be a serious setback to the republican idea. The Chamber subsequently decided to discuss the details of the bill.

Revolt of Russian Peasants. LONDON, Dec. 17 .- A special dispatch from St. Petersburg says that a remarkable revolt, alleged to be due to harsh treatment of the peasantry, has taken dace on the estate of Count Palen, near Mitau, 25 miles from Riga. antry rose in a body, besieged the castle, set fire to it and danced around the biaz-ing building. The police were powerless against the mob, and the troops arrived too late to be of any service. Everything was destroyed, including the valuable gallery of paintings. Count Palen is a

#### Menelik Wants No Miners. NEW YORK, Dec. 17 .- The most important news by the Jibuti mail, says a dispatch from Marseilles to the London limes and New York Times, is the refusal of the Negus Menelik to grant min-ing concessions in his equatorial prov-

nember of the Council of the Empire

King Abandons Trip to Ireland. LONDON, Dec. 17.-The World today says the proposed visit of King Edward and Queen Alexandra to Ireland, which was to have taken place in the Spring or after his majesty's coronation, has been abandoned on account of the disturbed

inces to engineers of the Abyssinian Ex-

#### Hostile to Missionaries. VIENNA, Dec. 17 .- A rumor has been ublished in the newspapers here to the

effect that when Marquis Ito, the Japan-ese statesman, was recently in St. Peters-

burg the Russian Ministers vainly sought

state of that country.

persuade him to exclude British and American missionaries from Japan. Switzerland Will Not Interfere. BERNE, Dec. 17 .- The Bundesrath has declined to approach Great Britain on the subject of the concentration camps in

Earthquake in Croatia. shock was felt in Agram and in several other Croatian towns Tuesday afternoon.

up to and including the engagement with the Spanish fleet off the coast of Cuba." fact, Admiral Sampson's flag was never down at Santiago, and he was in com-mand of the squadron. The question of command at Santiago has already been passed upon by the Court of Claims, Prevision is made for a report to the House of Representatives, and authority

is given to send for persons and papers. Senator McComas, of Maryland, tomorrow will introduce in the Senate the following resolution: "Whereas, Commodore Schley was the senior officer of our squadron off Santiago when the Spanish squadron attempted to escape on the morning of July 3, 1898, and, "Whereas, He was in absolute command and is entitled to the credit due to such

commanding officer for the glorious vic-tory which resulted in the total destruction of the Spanish ships, be it enacted, etc., that Rear-Admiral Winneld Scott Schley, of the United States Navy, retired, be hereafter paid out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the same pay and allowance he received as Rear-Admiral on the active list of said Navy at the date of his retirement by reason of age."

Representative Griffith, of Indiana, introduced a resolution for an investigation of the Navy Department and of the Schley case, the preamble expresses confidence in Admiral Schley, recites the allegation of the Maclay history, and refers to reports that Captain Crowninshield and other naval officers were furnished proofs of this history. The large amounts of prize money received by Admiral Sampson and Captain Chadwick and the small amounts received by Admiral Schley and the Captains of the ships participating in the Santiago battle, are set forth as among the subjects to be investigated. Representative Schirm, of Maryland, ina considerable extent, to represent the views of the Maryland delegation in Congress. After reciting the opinion of Admiral Dewey in the recent court of in-quiry, the resolutions recite as follows: That the opinion and finding of Ad miral George Dewey be and it is hereby indorsed as the only opinion and finding

justified by the evidence adduced, and pertinent facts established before the court of inquiry; that the thanks of Con-gress are hereby extended to the said Rear-Admiral Schley, retired, and to the officers and men under his command, for their brave and efficient conduct in achieving the victory over the Spanish fleet under the command of Admiral Cevera; that Rear-Admiral Schley be placed upon the list of retired Rear-Admirals of United States Navy with the full rank, grade, privileges, emoluments and pay of officers of said rank in active service." Representative Gaines, of Tennessee, introduced a resolution reciting the paralleled achievement of Admiral Schley n destroying the Spanish squadron with onsummate skill and terrible celerity resolution makes the opinion of Ad-

Representative Ball, of Texas, introduced a resolution giving the thanks of Congress Admiral Schley Representative Cummins, of New York, ptroduced a resolution directing the Secretary of the Navy to present a sword of honor to Admiral Schley, and to strike off bronze "Schley" medals for the officers and men who participated in the of Santiago. An appropriation of \$16,000

s made.

miral Dewey the opinion of Congress.

Representative Butler, of Missouri, introduced a resolution providing that the views of Admiral Dewey be accepted as the verdict of Congress.

Representative Mudd, of Maryland, inroduced a resolution as follows: Resolved That the thanks of Congress and of the American people are hereby

and for their victory over the Spanish forces and the destruction of the Spanish fleet in the naval battle off Santiago de Cuba, July 2, 1898." Mr. Mudd says the resolution is not the esult of any concerted action by the Maryland delegation, and represents his

tendered to Rear-Admiral Winfield Scott Schley and the officers and men under his

ndividual views. Mr. Cooper's resolution declared Schley n command and entitled to credit for the rictory at Santiago, and directed that he be placed on the active list, was the rank he held before retirement.

Mr. Vandiver's resolution resides the finding of the court of inquiry reflected

on Admiral Schley, and calls for an investigation by seven members House, which shall investigate what in-justice has been done and whether envy. ealousy, rivalry or other factional feeling exist among naval officers and wheat remedy should be applied. Representative Norton, of Ohlo, Intro-duced a resolution proposing the restora-tion of Admiral Schley to the active list.

## MORE TIME FOR SCHLEY.

secretary Long Gives His Attorney

Raynor Drafts His Protest. BALTIMORE, Dec. 17 .- Attorney-General Isidor Raynor, counsel for Admiral Schley, today finished the draft of the formal document to be delivered tomorrow to Secretary of the Navy Long, protesting against the finding of the court of inquiry. Tomorrow morning Mr. Raynor will carry the draft to Washington and after he and Admiral Schley have conferred over it, a copy will be pre-pared for transmission to Secretary Long. Practically, the protest will be a review of the evidence in the case, submitted in such a way that Secretary Long will

timony was inadmissible, and the ques-tion was not gone into. As a matter of

which awarded that honor to Rear-Ad-miral Sampson."

### PHILIPPINE FINANCES.

whole controversy.

have the opportunity to pass upon the

No Interference With Importation or Exportation of Gold or Silver.

MANILA, Dec. 17 .- The United States Commission has finally decided not to in-terfere again with the importation or exportation of gold or silver, unless absolutely compelled to do so by force of circumstances, but, beginning with the year 1902, the commission will alter the two-to-one rate, in accordance with the existing ratio, in the hope of preventing the further exportation of gold and Amerwhich are at present being ican bills

shipped daily. The reports from the provinces of the earthquake of Sunday last show that they suffered more severely than Mantla. At Batangas a soldier was killed by falling masonry. Ships felt the shock several

miles at sea. Seven hundred bolomen have surren dered is the Island of Samar, owing to the lack of food. The son of the Governor of the Island of Negros has been killed in an engagement with Ladrones

#### Four cases of the plague have occurred here, the first since October. GONE TO MEET BRIGANDS.

lease of Miss Stone. CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 17.-W. W. Peet, treasurer of the Turkish Mission in Constantinople, accompanied by M. Gargiuolo, Dragoman of the United States Legation here, started tonight to meet the brigands who hold Miss Stone captive. In accordance with instructions received from Washington, they will attempt to se cure the release of the prisoner in ex-change for the ransom money now available. It is reported here that Mme. Tsill

Another Attempt to Secure the Re-

#### KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 17.-Lowell pence, a Pinkerton detective, today post tively identified the man under arrest here as Harvey Logan, one of the alleged Great Northern express robbers. He

Identified as Logan.

says this man was seen in Nashville with

a quantity of Montana bank money. The

the woman who was arrested there with

ka's baby is still alive and well.

man still refuses to talk. Collision Near Rawlins. CHEYENNE, Wyo., Dec. 17 .- An eastound fast mail train on the Union Po citic crashed into the rear end of a freight train near Rawlins tonight. The passen gers were shaken up and Fireman Charles Brown was seriously injured. A wrecking

outfit and doctors have been sent to

Retirement of Hawaiian Coinage. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-Senator Cul-lum today introduced a bill providing for the retirement of the Hawaiian coinage

Demand for Extradition Granted. LONDON, Dec. 17 .- The demand for the extradition of H. St. John Dix, charged with larceny committed in the United States, and who is accused of wrecking



loosens the dirt so that you rinse it

South Africa, taking the ground that it might be interpreted as unwarrantable Another Twenty-four Hours. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-Hon, Isidor interference in the affairs of a foreign Raynor and Mr. Teague, counsel and ascountry. sistant coursel, respectively, for Admiral Schley during the court of inquiry, have gone to Baltimore and are busily engaged VIENNA, Dec. 18 .- A sharp earthquake in that city with the preparation of the statement of objections to the court's Much property was damaged. The peo-ple were panic-stricken, but no lives were findings, which Admiral Schley has been granted permission to file with the re-viewing authority, Secretary Long. This The railroads of the country have lost,