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HILLSBORO, OREGON, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1900. NO. 49. VOL. VI. BAW HER OWN LEG CUT OFF. PUERTO PROPERTY OF UITLANDERS. AWAY BILI **BOERS FALLING BACK** EVENTS OF THE DAY CRONIE RICAN LATER NEWS. GOT Woman 83 Years Old Undergoes Surgi-Will Be Restored by England After the British have occupied Colenso. cal Operation by New Method Chicago, Feb. 21 .- Mrs. Mary Arndt, Resolutions aimed at the sugar trust New York, Feb. 22 .- A special to in spite of her 83 years, watched a surwere introduced in the house. the Herald from Washington says: Opening of the Debate in the Concentrating the Defense of Doubt About Capture of the geon at the county hospital today am-**Epitome** of the Telegraphic At Detroit, Mich., Tom Sharkey knocked out Jim Jeffords in the second Uitlanders who have been compelled to putate her right leg near the hip with-House. abandon their property in the Trans-vaal, by reason of the attitude of the Their Country. British Wagons. News of the World. out giving any evidence of pain. The round. operation proved successful. The method by which the operation was Boers, will be reinstated in possession Trains bearing provisions, fuel and should the British conquer the South HOW ROBERTS' PLANS WORKED GREAT INTEREST IN MEASURE THEY WILL GIVE UP LADYSMITH passengers are now to be started for TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES performed was of great interest to the African republic and the Orange Free Kimberley. surgeons, and is said in professional State. Information of the determina-Queen Victoria has appealed to recircles to be a great step in surgery in tion of the British government has Preliminary Speeches by Payne, Dairell Buers From Natal Are Reported to B Relaxing Their Hold on All Sides to An Interesting Collection of Items From tired members of the army to enlist for America. Dr. Samuel Weber, a memreached the state department in the Moving to Assistance of the Free and Richardson-Opposition to Oppose Roberts-Has Crouje ber of the advisory staff of the hospital, form of a copy of this proclamation, issued by the British high commis-sioner for South Africa, at Cape Town the Two Hamispheres Presented iome defense. the Bill. Escaped? State Forces. had charge of the operation, which is In a Condensed Form. Large bands of Yaquis are marching said to be the first of its nature per-Washington, Feb. 21 .- The debate on Guaymas, Mex., and will attempt formed in America, and the second under date of January 26: London, Feb. 22 .- The Boers are London, ? eb. 20 .- It is now amply Lord Roberts' forces have occupied to capture the town. upon the Puerto Rican tariff bill, which "Notice is hereby given that the govconfirmed that General Cronje escaped. known to medical men, the first having leaving all the positions held by them John Pentella, of Astoria, has sued is to continue throughout the week Jacobsdal. Every detail received, however, proves being been performed in Europe. Dr. ernment of her majesty will not recogon British territory and are concentrat-Weber made a study of the initial and possibly longer opened in the the Clatsop Mill Company for \$20,000 how admirable Lord Roberts' plans Terrific mow storms are raging in ing for the defense of their own. nize as valid or effectual any forfeiture operation, and concluded the method house today. On all hands it is agreed for the loss of an arm of any properties in the territories of Northern Germany. were conceived and were succeeding. Sir Redvers Buller thinks they are might be employed for the amputation that this bill, although it applies only But for the unexpected delay at Dekiel Chief Engineer McDonald, of the the South African Republic, or the about to raise the siege of Ladysmith, The house passed the legislative, exto Puerto Rico, involving, as it does. of lower limbs of patients who were to Puerto Rico, involving, as it does, unable to withstand the effects of the question of the power to govern drift, which was almost inmpassable transport Manauense, testified to the Orange Free State, or any charges, fines, and this is the large news of the day. ecutive and judicial appropriation bill. General Clements reports that the force confronting him has been greatly difor wagons, the whole Boer force would inseaworthiness of the vessel. or encumbrances of whatsoever descrip-General Kelley-Kenny's brigade capour new possessions outside the limita-A split in the Populist National Con- have been surrounded. The delay of anaesthetics. tion declared, levied or charged upon tured a Boer supply train of 78 wagons vention, being held at Lincoln, Neb., one day there gave them their chance The method consists in the deadentions of the constitution, is the most any such property, which forfeiture, charge, fine, encumbrance, conveyance. minished. Ten thousand men are estiimportant measure which will come may Jacobalal. for a hasty retreat. All the other ing of the nerves in the limbs by the mated to have gone from the Colesberg Two tickets will be put in the field. before this congress. Interest in the injection of cocaine in the vertebral An armor plate trust, composed of 15 movements of Lord Roberts were exetransfer or transmission has been or district alone. The Boers are also re-Charles E. Macrum, late consul at bill is intense among the members on cuted on time. Apparently General Cronje is retreating with the main shall be declared charged, levied, made firms in the world, which practically cavity above the point where the nerves tracing their steps from Zululand. Pretoria, in the Transvaal, furnishes both sides, and there is urgent demand or carried into effect by the govern-Thus they are relaxing their hold on monopolize armor plate, will be controlling the lower limbs branch proof of his charges against the British for time. army, and even if he shall escape altofrom the spinal chord. ments of the South African Republic all sides in order to assemble to oppose formed. The Democrats are solidly arrayed censor. The patient had suffered a gangrenous gether, he will probably lose all his or of the Orange Free State subsequent-Lord Roberts. He is pressing on stead-Will Borts, a negro, was lynched near Baskett Mills, S. C., by a mob of affection of the leg. and amputation sgainst the measure, and they will became necessary to save her life. She have powerful support from the Repub-Filipino guerillas who attacked ily towards Bloemfontein. This is ly to the 10th of October, 1899." baggage. shown by his inconsequential telegram So far as the state department has squad of Americans on February 2, There is still something doubtful of 250 men. He assaulted the wife of a was not in a condition to make the use lican side in McCall (Rep. Mass.), and killing a corporal, are to be tried be- about the capture of the British convoy. been informed, the Boers have not defrom Paardeberg, 50 or 60 miles away. planter. of an anaesthetic safe, and the surgeon Littlefield (Rep. Me.), both able and Doubtless he is miles behind the col-According to a Daily Mail correspondfore a military commission on the clared forfeited any property belongdecided to try the method which had forceful dehaters. How far the Repub-Rear-Admiral Sampson has been ent with the convoy, which consisted of 200 wagons, each loaded with 6,000 ing to American citizens, but if so, the umn that is pursuing the Boers, and charge of murder. offered and declined the presidency of proved successful in a Berlin hospital. lican disaffection will extend, OF American consul will take measures the next important news may be the Ex-Secretary of War Alger and Cap-The drug was injected into the patient's whether it will endanger the bill, it the Massachusetts institute of pounds of ration and forage, and each for securing its restoration. In the occupation of Bloemfontein. tain Bliss are planing to operate their vertebral cavity a short distance below is impossible to say at this time. the waist line, and soon she announced Payne (Rep. N. Y.), floor leader of the technology. drawn by 16 oxen, it was quite unexevent of failure, and if the British con-Nothing has been heard from the extensive lumbering interests on Paget Sound, and will erect a large saw mill at Fairhaven, Wash. quer the country, its restoration will chase of Cronje for two days. Although the last words of the war office tonight Three men were caught in a snow that she had lost all feeling in her majority, refused to agree that a vote slide in Colorado, near Silverton. Two be certain after the war. It is likely at Fairbayen, Wash. lower limbs, while she was fully con- should be taken upon a substitute to be were killed and the third saved his life escort, consisting of 80 of the Gordon that the South African Republic, dewere that there was no news for publiscious of what was going on and had offered by the minority. This substi-The steamer Coptic brought to a local cation, there is a strong disposition to Highlanders, 40 men of the army servsirous of averting international comby running. San Francisco company 1,840 sacks of tute, which has not yet been framed, the full use of all her faculties. believe that favorable information has The Abbott-Downing Carriage Comice corps, and a few of Kitchener's plications, will be chary about forfeitwill be in substance the bill originally ore concentrats from the mines of The limb was removed two inches been received, but is being withheld pany, of Concord, N. H., has made an horse, maintained a defense until the ing property of persons other than introduced by Payne, providing for free Corea, and is the second similar conbelow the hip, and after the effect of until the operations culminate in some-British. The only case thus tar brought assignment, with liabilites of \$200,000 arrival of reinforcements sustaining signment within a few months. the drug had passed away the woman trade with Puerto Rico by the extento the attention of the state departinsignificant casualties. and assets of \$600,000.

The war department has issued a The strike situation at the island of Martinique is now calm. Several arfunds in the Philippine islands, be-ginning August 13, 1898, and ending "A rests have been made of strikers for interforing with men at work. December 31, 1899, amount to \$6,696, The body of Miss Esther J. Cullen,

of Olympia, Wash., was found on the The Metropolitan Museum of Art tide flats of that city. A complete air of mystery surrounds her death. Treasures, of New York, in their annual report, state the value of Turner's

The Vermont State Federation of Women's Clubs is attempting to secure the appointment of women on the state \$100,000. board of penal and charitable insti-In Chicago, 500 men employed by tutions. the Gneral Electral Railway Copmany,

A band of Cree Indinas, camped fought with employes of the Western near Butte, Mont., bought a quantity Indiana Railroad Company for the posof alcohol, and by mistake were given wood alcohol, three of the band dying A dozen men were injured. in great agony.

The Owen brothers, two of the banddistrict court at Chicago, issued an its who held up and robbed a Wellsorder denying the injunction prayed Fargo express car at Fairbanks, Ariz., for by the Chicago Tribune against the have been captured near Pearce, Ariz., by a Tombstone posse. Associated Press. This grew out of alleged infringements of copyright.

Pirates are causing much trouble in Chinese waters. A crew from a British gunboat had a lively fight with them ich mountal nton Chang, in wh

The U. S. battleship Kearsarge has been placed in commission.

semion of the Dearborn street crossing.

Senator Simon, of Oregon, intro-

wagons, but Lord Roberts did not de-Grand Canal, Venice, bequeathed to the lay his march to retake these. There museum by Cornelius Vanderbilt, as were few casualties on our side." The last of our supply columns ar-rived from Honey Nest kloof today, having met with no opposition on the way. Specials from Ladysmith report an

apparent movement on the Boers toward the Free State, presumably with the object of assisting General Cronje.

The Standard's correspodent at

"An attack was made yesterday

upon the rear guard of our main body

by a force of 1,400 Boers, who were

hurried up from Colesburg. They

succeeded in capturing some of our

Judge Seaman, in the United States Bonded Warehouses. City of Mexico, Feb. 20 .- The president has issued a decree for the establishment of a system of bonded warehouses at ports of entry. Managers of warehouses may lend money on the goods deposited, as well as enjoy the usual privileges pertaining to this busi-

ness in foreign countries, collect stor-OFTAD

sion of the customs and revenue laws said she felt well. The prospects for of the United States over the island. statement that the receipts of public Jacobslal, telegraphing February 17, her recovery are good. The debate today lacked exciting

ALL AROUND CRONJE.

The Boer General Hopelessly Surrounded.

Payne opened with a general argument London, Feb. 21 .- A member of the in support of the bill, going largely into the material side of the situation, cabinet told H. W. Lucy tonight that the war office had received a telegrar which the bill is designed to relieve. announcing that General Cronje w. Richardson, the Democratic leader, hopelessly surrounded. Mr. Wyndhan was beset with anxious members of the house, but would only reply that the government's news was extremely satisfactory. The sole explanation of the government's withholding good news is that confirmation and more close attention. details are awaited.

The situation, as disclosed by correpondents over the Free State border,

is tantalizing to the public expectation. The elementary facts are that the Boers are trekking eastward toward Bloemfontein with slow moving baggage trains, and that they are pursued by Lord this morning, and adjourned to meet Kitchener with General Kelly-Kenny's at 10:30. The Republicans had addivision. General MacDonald, with journed Saturday to meet at 10:30 the Highlanders, made a forced march today. rd an

ment is that of an American named Brown, who says he did not secure justice from the South African courts. features. It was in the nature of a and has filed a claim for damages, long range bombardment before the

ARGUS.

MUTILATED LETTERS.

which will be given attention when the

Macrum's Proof That His Mail Was Tampered With.

New York, Feb. 22 .- A special to joined issue upon the power of congress to enact the proposed legislation, and Dalzell (Rep. Pa.), backed up Payne the Journal and Advertiser from Washington says: Charles E. Macrum, late consul at Pretoria, furnishes proof of with a constitutional and legal arguhis charges that United States official ment. All three were listened to with mail was opened by the British censor. Mr. Macrom has several envelopes each bearing the British sticker applied to the envelope after it had been opened Unusual Scene in the Kentucky State by the censor.

He has one envelope which contained Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 21 .- The Demo mail matter from Consul-General crats held a session of the senate, with Stowe, at Cape Town. It is the reula-President Pro Tem. Carter presiding, tion blue of the consular service. It this morning, and adjourned to meet bears upon its face the legend "U. S. Consular Service," and a stamp "Mail Suspended." On the reverse side is

the United States government seal, im-

war is ended

Nevertheless, troops continue to go up. The war office thinks that the call to veterans to rejoin the colors, together with the bounty, will bring 45,000 men to the home defense. The urgency

with which home defense is presse excites some wonder. With the casualties just reported the British losses in wounded, killed and captured are now 11,102.

Right of Islanders.

Washington, Feb. 22 .- Again today there were but three speeches in the house upon the Pnerto Rican tariff bill. Five hours were consumed in their de-livery. Hopkins (Rep. Ill.), spoke in

thing more conclusive. There is an equally strong disposition to think that

General Cronje has got away. Owning to the lack of transports, the British are not likely to invade Boer territory except where Lord Roberts is operating. General Buller will have to stop at the Drakensberg mountains. Probably a part of his 40,000 men will

ultimately join the legions of Lord Roberts. If, as General Buller avers, the Boers are retreating from him, then the news on every side is favorable to

the British.

pirates were killed and one sailor shot.

At El Paso, Texas, a mob of negro soldiers from Fort Bliss attacked the city police station with the object of releasing two of their comrades who had been arrested and during the fight one officer and one soldier was killed.

The Boers now claim to have 120,000 fighting men.

The army appropriation bill carries \$111,700,364.

Treaty between the United States and Trinidad has been signed.

Charles Lewis, of Lewisville, Or. killed himself accidentally while hunting.

Astoria, Or., is taking special pre cautions against the introduction of plague.

The anti-trust co ership of railroads.

A press agent of the defonct Fr syndicate believes that Miller n million dollars out of the swind

Manufacturing, railway and is vesting interests have been damaged by severe storms in Ne

Three well-known citizens town of Nanaimo, B. C., were d while on a hunting trip on Van Island.

The United States govern 61 new naval vessels under tion, which will require in alone, 2,000 men.

Willis P. Sullivan, Mayor secretary, was chosen by the police commissioners of San to be chief of police.

Sam Beswick, an old known character on the Chie of Trade, died as a charity the Baptist hospital of that city.

Mexican papers are giving much a tention to the proposed construction of the Nicaragua canal. They believe is will benefit Mexican trade.

The Salvation Army celebrated the Soth anniversary of its establishment in the United States with the baptizing of Booth Tucker's-baby. The ceremony took place in New York.

Patriotic women of Vancouver, B. C., have devised a means to aid the British soldiers in South Africa. Three thousand pairs of socks are ready for shipment, besides sweaters, caps and handkerchiefs.

The total wealth of American colleges Rear Admiral Bradford estimates the and universities is \$250,000,000. cost of the Pacific cable at \$10,000,000.

Drevfus is still in Southern France, where his health shows continued improvement.

Eli Jimerson, full-blooded Indian treasurer of the Seneca nation, is \$1,000 short in his accounts.

During last year '44,000 imigrants settled in Canada. The number from the United States is 11,000, or about importance to Europe and the powers 2,000 more than last year.

duced a bill appropriating age charges, etc. Exemptions of cus toms duties on the materials for the establish a mint at Portland. construction of the warehouses is grant-

Former Judge Wm. S. Vest, a prominent and wealthy citizen of Minneapo. ed for five years. Several banks here are interested in this business, and lis, is dead in Los Angeles, aged 63 New York parties are expected to take years.

a portion of the capital required. The Buller has surrounded the Boers at business was projectd some years ago, Colenso and compelled them to retire but was defeated in congress, but it is across the Tugela river. The British now certain to pass. captured 100 prisoners. Steel Plant for Mexico.

It is said that Dr. Leyds had for his Chicago, Feb. 20 .- A special to the sole purpose in going to Germany, the Record from Monterey, Mex., says: establishment of a German protectorate An American syndicate with a capital over the Boer republic.

of \$10,000,000 will immediately begin Voluntary requests for retirement the construction of a great steel plant from the navy have come in so rapidly in the construction of a great steel plant since January 1, that forced retireground purchased for locating the ments will not be necessary.

At Oakland, Cal., the largest cargo lumber ever consigned to that port,

throughout Europe and America, an

that it has existed for 14 years for the purpose of freeing Poland by force of

military officers will be detailed.

In St. Joseph, Mo., there is offered a

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precious metals.

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the Czar.

grade iron ore and coal is within NAME AND ADDRESS OF

ce. The plant of manufacturing the first inr of the kind to be established in It will give employment to 4.000 men in the different deents when they are in operation. al American capitalists in Monte-

are heavy stockholders in the The Venezuelan Revolution. ana, Feb. 20.-General Ignacio

de, former president of Venewho is now in Havana, said left Venezuela for the good of my try, as it was claimed that I was

concern have been completed and

l buildings. An abundance of

ause of the revolution. As the been the sole cause. I confess I do not know the precise cause war. By some it has been ated to the division of the country

20 states by congress. The revo-hists pretend to consider it uncon-tional, but they have themselves ained that division."

Blephants Ran Amnek. on, Feb. 20.-An exciting scene took place at the Crystal Palace, Sydenarms or any other method. They are harn, this afternoon. Two large ele-hoping for war between England and phants belonging to the circus ran

amuck, killed their keepers and gored Assistant Secretary Allen has been another man. There was a terrible notified by the secretary of the treasury panic in the audience attending the that the revenue marine service will be concert in the place. One animal was glad to participate in the war college captured after great damage to prop-

Secretary Root has not yet replied to the navy department's invitation for the army to take part in the course, but

Assistant Secretary Allen understands at \$150,000.

> Clarksdale, Miss., Feb. 20.-Fire which started in the rear of Bacol & Capps' general store destroyed seven

College Destroyed by Fire.

ry, was destroyed by fire today; loss, \$50,000.

20 miles eastward. General French Carter and Marshall presided. left Kimberley Saturday, going along the Modder river. Lord Kitchener is trying to outmarch and to outflank the Boers, thus checking their retreat, if possible, and driving them back in to the hands of MacDonald and French. THE EL PASO RIOT.

Captain Loughborough's Report of the

Washington, Feb. 21 .- General Mccit-bon, commanding the department f Texas, has forwarded to the adjutant-general a copy of the following telegram from Captain Loughborough, commanding the troops at Fort Bliss, Texas, in regard to the trouble with the local authorities at El Paso, Texas, on the 17th.

"Through negligence or connivance of noncommissioned officers in charge of the barracks, arm racks were opened last night and a number of rifles taken out. One soldier was killed, and I learn one guard at the city jail, where two soldiers were held for drukenness and disorderly conduct. Arm racks are now locked and the keys are in my possession. All ammunition has been placed under lock and key. I have not

permitted any one to leave the garrison. I am co-operating with the civil anthorities and will do everything in my power to bring the guilty parties to justice.'

General McKibbon adds that he has ordered an additional officer to Fort Bliss, and that he will make a thorough investigation. He says further trouble s apprehended.

Drove Rebels From Rich Country. Oaxaca, Mexico, Feb. 21.-General Bravo's force of government troops has driven back the Maya Indians and taken possession of several important towns that were occupied by the rebels during the week. The country

occupied by the Mayas is little known to the outside world. Its natural riches are great. An army officer with General Bravo's troops writes as follows of the country: "All this vast territory which is

now being reconquered contains fabulous wealth and an exuberant fertility of soil, which can raise everything in the way of agriculture. Its forests are extensive and have all the precions woods. The whole country is well watered. There is an abundance of game, the singing birds, many with spiendid plumage, are everywhere. Deer and mountain turkey are here by the thousands.

iers there in garrison.

Republicans recognizing Mr. Marshall, adjourned after prayer, and, led by Lieutenant-Governor Marshall, the Re publican senators left the hall. The Democratic senators, recognizing President Pro Tem. Carter, paid no attention to the Republican proceedings, and continued in session. The Democratic senate then adopted a motion, introduced by Mr. Allen, of Lexington, to reaffirm the former action of the sen-

lash of the contending forces in battle.

TWO MEN PRESIDED.

ate by which Goebel was declared governor. This prevailed on a viva voice vote. Senator Triplett, anti-Goebel Democrat, voted with the Democrats for the purpose of making a quorum. The Demcoratic senators adjourned after adopting the Allen resolution.

The house Democrats will follow the action of the senate Democrats, ratifying the former proceedings in the Goebel and Taylor and the Beckham Marshall contests. The house convened at noon. Speaker Trimble presiding. The journal of the Democratic legisla ture, siting at Louisville, was read Hickman (Dem.) demanded a roll call to ascertain the presence of a quorum. The Republicans did not answer to their names and only 53 of the 60 Democrats were present. The house adopted a resolution directing the custodian of public buildings to drape the legislative halls and statehouse with blems of mourning, and to place the

state capitol flag at half-mast, on account of the death of Governor Goebel.

The contest matter was not taken up. The Inter-Ocean's Suit.

Springfield, 111., Feb. 21.-In th

appeal of the Inter-Ocean Publishing Company against the Associated Press. the supreme court today rendered an opinion reversing the decree entered by the Cook county circuit court and the appellate court for the first district. and remanded the case to the the circuit court, with directions to enter a decree as prayed for in the original bill filed by the Inter-Ocean Publishing Company, to restrain the Associated Press from suspending or expelling the

petitioner from its mymbership and from refusing to turnsish it news according to its contract.

Samoan Treaty Proclamation. Washington, Feb. 21.-The presiden

today signed the proclamation making public the Samoan treaty. The proch mation is in the usual form, save fo the section relative to the exchange of

Edwin Mayo Dead.

extenso.

Quebec, Feb. 21.-Edwin Mayo, o the "Pudd'nhead Wilson" company, dropped dead in the Chateau Fronten today. Mr. Mayo and his wife wer staying at the Frontenac. He was Mexican forces. The cause of this chatting with Edwin Varney, manager of the Academy, until about 2 o'clock When Mr. Varney started to take his has been received that the main body of 2,000 Yaquis are marching on Guay- leave, Mr. Mayo arose to see him out and suddenly fell back in his chair mas, with a view of capturing the town, with all its supplies, stores and He bled profusely from the mouth, and inhabitants. There are only 300 soldwas dead before a doctor, who called, could get to the hotel.

researd much the red sealing way of the The consular serivce. The British sticker, resealing the letter after it had been opened, bears the potential initials, 'V. R.," the initials of the clerk who opened the letter, the name of the place where it was opened.

This letter was mailed at Cape Town, October 4, by Consul-General Stowe It was held there one month apparentr for the next postmark is that of Durban, dated November 4. From Durban it was sent to Pretoria and reached Mr. Macrum in its mutilated form. The circulars to consuls issued by the department, are not in themselves important, but nevertheless 'official mail'' never reached Mr. Macrum. They were confiscated without apology or explanation by the British censor. As for Mr. Macrum's personal mail, he never heard of it.

The British authorities are familiar with the American consular code. On November 8, Mr. Macrum sent a cablegram in code to the state department, urgently requesting that he be permitted to come home. Usually cable-grams, because of the difference in country, consume two days in transon November 9, before the cablegram was received by the state department, certainly, and before it was sent from South Africa, probably, the British papers in Natal, hundreds of miles

that Mr. Macrum, the American conto go home.

Boudamen Held Responsible.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 22 .- The supreme court today reaffirmed its decision of last November in the suit against the estate of ex-State Treasurer Rufus bondsmen to recover the amount spent in making good a shortage of \$478,000 in Treasurer Ramsay's accounts with the state. The former decision of the court reversed and remanded the ion of the lower court, thus compelling the bondsmen to stand responsible for the shortage. Today's decision was

on a rehearing of the case. Street Car Barn Burned.

New York, Feb. 21 .- Fire today detroyed one of the buildings occupied by the Metropolitan Street Railway ratifications, and recites the treaty in Company. Three cars were destroyed and 40 damaged. Loss, \$75,000.

> Although Japan has not addressed any remonstrances to the government respecting the treaty of reciprocity negotiated by this government with France, she has made it plain to the authorities that she will be adversely affected by the provisions relating to silks. The United States is unable to take any action in the matter except to negotiate a treaty of reciprocity with Japan in case the French treaty is rati-

fied, which is, from the present out look. an altogether unlikely event.

support of the bill, and Newlands (Silver Nev.), and Swanson (Dem. Va.), in opposition to it. The speakers de vote thesmelves almost exclusively to the constitutional question involved, and were listened to with attention. The Republican leaders are becom-

ing nervous over the fate of the bill. They have only a majority of 14 over the opposition, which is solidly opposed to the measure. Eight votes from the Republican side would, therefore, defeat it, and there are from 12 to 15 Republican votes in doubt. A movement for a Repulbican caucus is being agitated, and, although no call has been issued up to the time of adjournment tonight, the general understanding was that one would be held tomorrow night.

Mormon Telegraph Lines.

Chicago, Feb. 22.-Colonel R. C. Clowry, vice-president and general superintendent of the Western Union Telegraph Company, today completed the purchase of all the lines of the Deseret Telegraph Company, which time between South Africa and this have heretofore belonged to and been operated by the Mormon church. These mission; that is to say, the cable sent lines extend throughout Utah and to by Mr. Macrum on November 8, would all the Mormon settlements in the state normally have been received by the of Idaho and Nevada, and their constate department on November 10. But struction by Brigham Young was in advance of the building of railroads. and for many years they were the principal means of immediate communication for the Mormon church and its ousiness connections. Coloneel J. J. way, announced in impressive type Dickey, superintendent of the third district of the Western Union Telegraph sul at Pretoria desired to be permitted Comapny, with headquarters at Omaha, went to Salt Lake this afternoon to complete the transfer of the property.

Empress Dowager's Warlike Edict.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 22 .- A warlike secret edict has been issued by the emgressions by foreign powers on Chinese mil The edict calls noon the governors to resist all aggression and "protect their ancestral homes and graves from the invader" by force of arms, if necessary, without asking instructions from Peking. All the Chinese papers say that the Russians and French are ing the hand of the empress dowager in her act of dethroning the young em-

peror. Nebraska Suit Against Standard Oll. Lincoln; Neb. , Feb. 22 .- A demurrer filed by the Standard Oil Company to a peition of the state of Nebraska, which seeks to deprive the company of its franchise for operating in the state on the ground that it is a trust in vio-

lation of the Nebraska anti-trast law, was argued before the supreme court this afternoon. The case was taken under advisement.

Thunder can be heard at the dista of 14 miles

Marching on Guaymas. Austin, Tex., Feb. 21.-Information eaching here today from Ortiz, Mex., is to the effect that a courier has been dispatched after Generl Torres and the special messeenger is that information

New Orleans. Feb. 20 .- The

Seven Stores Worth \$60,000, Burned much coal in the Philippines, but no brick stores in the business portion of

A geological survey expert has found

the city today; loss, \$50,000.

bounty of \$600 for every highwayman Charles college, at Grand Coteau, to-The German foreign office says the gether with a large and valuable librachange in Chinese emperors is of no

exercises of the coming summer, and erty. The other escaped through the will detail several officers to attend. grounds, but was captured late this

evening in the suburbs of Breckenham. Fire in Denver, Colo., destroyed a

tour-story building. Loss is estimated