EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

ant Happenings of the Past Week. Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

The senate has passed the Elkins anti-trust bill.

Canada expects a big immigration from England this year.

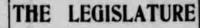
measure creating an eight-hour day law. clerk, has been arrested, charged with rifling the mails.

GOES WITH PANAMA.

Old Canal and Plant, Railroad, Buildings and Other Property.

Washington, Feb. 4 .- If the United States finally enters upon the construction of the interoceanic canal over the l'anama route, as now seems probable, it will first pay to the Panama canal company the vast sum of \$40,000,000. This payment represents more than the mere right of way of this company; it represents the work already done towards digging the rast ditch, the Panama railroad, the maps, drawings, rec-Middlebury. Vt., suffered a \$150,000 of bonus, but it is said that the latter item is comparatively small, for the ditch already constructed, according to official estimates, represents an expenditure of about \$27,000,000, and the l'anama railroad stock at par is worth almost \$7,000,000. The French com-The Idaho legislature voted down the pany will give to this government among other things, about 30,000 acres Frank Maybee, a Chicago postal of land which, with the impany, cover nearly all the ground required for the fling the mails.

President Castro's troops are said to thing like 2,300 buildings will fall into



WHAT THE LAWMAKERS OF OREGON ARE DOING AT SALEM.

duced and Acted Upon in Both House Measures Signed by the Govern Progress of the Balloting for United

The vote-Fulton 34, Geer 16, Wood 7, Mills 12, scattering 8, absent 3. Paulsen, of Clackamas, voted for Geer, but before the result was an nounced changed back to Fulton.

The Senate-Among the bills pase was one to authorize the employment of convict labor on the public highways and one to make state officers and ployes subject to garnishment. A joint lution to abrogate section 35, article 1, of the state constitution, relative to negroes and mulattees, was adopted.

The House-A bill to amend the cod relating to marriage licenses was pass A bill to fix the maximum rates per mile charged by railroad companies

The vote-Fulton 34, Geer 16, Wood 14, Mills 12, scattering 6, absent 8.

The Senate-The bill to reapportion the state into senatorial and represent-ative districts was passed. The Smith bill for the creation of a board of health passed with only one dissenting vote.
A bill was introduced to repeal the law creating the offices of health officers and boatpuller at Astoria.

The House - The bill to commit ine-briates to the insane asylum was lost. A bill to regulate and limit the hours of employment of females was passed.

A resolution was adopted by both branches asking the president to visit Oregon on his trip to the coast.

Saturday. The vote-Fulton 32, Geer 16, Wood 14, ecattering 18, absent and paired 8, present but not voting 1.

The Senate-Among the bills was one relating to licenses for selling intoxicating liquors and one to provide for transfer of prisoners from the penitentiary to the asylum.

reported in favor of senate bill appro-priating \$20,000 for Eastern Oregon agricultural college. Committee on by a well manned and powerful navy, commerce reported favorably on the have expressed themselves as unequivo-house bill for the improvement and use cally in favor of the resolution.

The vote: Fulton 33, Geer 16, Wood 16, scattering 21, absent 4.

The Senate-Motion to adjourn until Monday voted down. A bill was passed prohibiting child labor under certain ages. A communication was received from the governor calling attention to the scandal at the state prison. A measure was introduced to provide an

The House-Among the bills intro duced was one providing a matron at the penitentiary and one for an eight hour working day.

Thursday. The vote: Fulton 33, Geer 16, Wood 17, Williams 10, scattering 11, absent

ing congress to enact better land laws and changing the time of fixing the tax levies. A bill was introduced compell-ing railroads to erect gates in the city of Portland.

The vote today stood: Fulton 33, Geer 16, Wood, 17, scattering 20, absent 3, total 90.

The Senate-Most of the day was taken up in passing charter bills. bill was passed to create a state board of health. Bills were introduced fixing the salary of state printer; making eight bours a day's work in all occu-pations except domestic and agricul-tural; and a number of unimportant

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat- Walla Walla, 75c; blue stem, 86c; valley, 78c.

Barley-Feed, \$23.50 per ton; Flour—Best grade, \$4.30@4.85; grah am, \$3.45@3.85.

Millstuffs — Bran, \$18@19 per ton middlings, \$23 @ 24; shorts, \$19@20 chop, \$18.

Oats-No. 1 white, \$1.15 @ 1.20 gray, \$1.12%@1.15 per cental. Hay — Timothy, \$11@12; clover, \$8@9; cheat, \$9@10 per ton.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 60@75c per sack; ordinary, 40@50c per cental, growers' prices; Merced sweets, \$2@ 2.25 per cental.

Poultry— Chickens, mixed, 11½c; young, 11@12c;hens, 11@12c; turkeys, live, 15@16c; dressed, 18@20c; ducks, \$7@7.50 per dozen; geese, \$7@8.50. Cheese-Full cream, twins, 161/2@

17%c; Young America, 17%@18%c; factory prices, 1@1%c less. Butter—Fancy creamery, 30@32½c per pound; extras, 30c; dairy, 20@ 22½c; store, 15@18c.

Eggs-25 per dosen.

Hops-Choice, 25@26 %c per pound Wool-Valley, 12%@15c; Eastern Oregon, 8@14%c; mohair, 26@28c. Beef — Gross, cows, 3@3%c per pound; steers, 4@4%c; dressed, 7%c. Veal-7%@8%c.

Mutton - Gross, 4c per pound

Lambs - Gross. dressed, 7%c.

TO MAKE ONE STATE.

Congress May Admit New Mexico and Art.

Washington Feb. 5 .- Strong efforts are being made to bring about a compromise on the statehood bill. Many senators who are decidedly displeased with the legislative situation would welcome a compromise in order to clear the way for other legislation. Some hope was built today on a statement of Senator Quay that he "might" have modification to make to his statebood amendment to the agricultural appro printion bill, and consideration of that measure has been postponed at his request until Friday.

The compromise most favored is the admission of Arizona and New Mexico as one state, Quay contending that such a provision should be modified to anthorize the admission of Arizona alone when it shall develop sufficient population. It is learned on good authority that the president would be willing to see such a compromise made, if it was further provided that at the time the large state was admitted, not only Arizona, but New Mexico as well should have an adequate population.

Efforts are being made to reach some compromise which will not arouse antagonism when the bill goes back to the lesty. All questions must receive a

MONEY FOR NAVY.

Washington, Feb. 5. - Sentiment in

ers in the house. The present situa-tion in Venezuela has had considerable effect upon members of congress, and, more than any event of late years, has of placing the United States in a better position to defend itself against the European powers, if need be

river, between Forty-second street, Manhattan, and Long Island City, will probbaly soon be rushed to completion. the work could begin today, according to the engineer. The New York & Long Island railroad company, owners of the franchise, completely reorgan-ized, has been studying the question of resuming the work for a year. plans are complete, and practically all inuation of the long delayed project.

New York, Feb. 5 .- The New York formed of the whereabouts of the physicians, so that they may be reached by wire at any time. These surgeons will also respond to calls of passengers taken ill and to attend employes. Every train will carry surgeon's tools.

New York, Feb. 5 .- It is the ge pinion among local dealers that the great inconvenience caused by scarcity of coal is at an end, and from now on the price will continue to drop, espe-cially if the present mild weather continues. In some places yesterday hard coal could be bought for \$7.50 a ton and one dealer put his price at \$7, with 1,000 tons on hand. The price of soft oal ass as low as \$2.50 a ton, with independent dealers retailing coal at \$6 and \$6.50 a ton.

Denver, Feb. 5 .- A bill introduces in the legislature by Senator Rush provides that at the general election and United States senator, each political party may place on the ballot the names of five or less candidates for the senatorship, and binds the members of the legallature, under penalty of expal-sion, to vote for the candidate of their respective party receiving the greatest number of the popular vote.

yard as a receiving ship. This vessel was one of the first crusiers of the new steel navy and already has become autiquated in many respects.

TERMS OF TREATY

ALASKAN BOUNDARY QUESTIONS FOR TRIBUNAL TO SETTLE.

Be Translated-Three Men Appointed by United States and Three by Great Britain Will Act as Jurists Decision in Three Months.

Washington, Feb. 5.-There was me discussion yesterday in the executive session of the senate with reference to making public the treaty recently negotiated by Secretary Hay and Sir hastened to save the millions of treasing \$1,000,000 to be available after Michael Berbert for a settlement of the Alaskan boundary dispute. Owing \$40,000,000 in bullion in the vaults mouth of the Columbia river, in acnegotiated by Secretary Hay and Sir to the fact that a number of articles are in French, it was decided to await a translation before making the treaty ed state, as well as the books of account public. The secretary of the senate and records were hastily locked up.

The building used by the assay office.

Article 1 of the treaty provides that as an assay office, 40 years ago, it was the boundary line tribunal shall be immediately appointed, and shall consist of six impartial jurists, three to be named by the president of the United states or government of gray stone and brick and very old fashioned.

In historic. Before it began to be used advantageous contracts at the outset. This money will be available in time for commencing work when the present available balance has been used and the special board report is made and Article 1 of the treaty provides that majority vote of the tribunal. Provision is made for the appointment of other jurists to fill vacancies and for officers of the tribunal, including scientific experts and agents.

Article 2 provides that a written or printed case of the two parties and other documents, correspondence and evi-

Article 3 provides that the tribunal shall consider in the settlement of the questions submitted to its decisions the treaty between Great Britain and Russia of 1825 and the treaty between the

The original text of these articles i tween the United States and Russia articles III and IV of the Angio-Russian treaty are quoted as describing the

tends the time. Provision also is made as to how the decision shall be prepared and handed to the agents of Tunnel Under East River.

Nwe York, Feb. 5.—Atfer lying idle for 10 years, the tunnel under the East river, between Forte under the East specifies governments. As soon as possible a decision shall be prepared and handed to the agents of the respective governments.

to the contracting parties each shall send one or more scientific experts to lay down the boundary line in accordance with the decision. Should there be a failure of the majroity to agree on any of the points submitted, the respective governments are to be notified through the agents.

The exchange of ratifications, as soon

as the same has become effective, is

DOBLIN IS GUILTY.

Committee in Lessier Case Says He At-

tempted Bribery-Minority Report. Washington, Feb. 5. - The house ommittee on naval affairs has reported to the house its findings in the matter of the investigation of the Lessler bribery charges. It finds that Philip Doblin tried to bribe Lessler, and is liable to punishment for that offense and for Holland boat company are innocent in the matter.

A minority report signed by Repre-sentative Kitchen (Dem. N. C.), Van-diver (Dem. Mo.) and Roberts (Rep. Mass.) was also submtietd. It finds that there was no attempt at bribery, or in effect, that Doblin's whole story is a fiction of his imagination. It

Seattle, Feb. 5 .- It may be neces-

sary to change the plans of the new federal building in this city, as there is not enough money appropriated to build the structure entirely of stone. R. Brainard, representing the archi-tect's office of the treauery department, is here now, consulting with the vari-ous federal officials in regard to the matter. While here he will examine the sandstone product of the state with a view of having that material used in

Annapolis, Feb. 5 .- The 50 midshipcrowd had gathered to witness the cere-monies. Tonight the exercises culmin-ated in the annual grand ball.

MONEY IN DANGER BY FIRE.

New York Assay Office Ablaze, with Mil

New York, Feb. 3 .- Fire broke out today in a laboratory in the second story of the United States assay office, which is next door to the United States subtreasury, and destroyed a portion of the roof and upper story and some of the apparatus. Chief Assayer Torrey said the loss on the building would be nominal. He thought the business of the assay office, which amounted to about 75 assays a day, would not be in-terrupted longer than three or four days. Mr. Torrey believed that nitric acid, which is used in testing bullion,

An alarm was turned in and the 65 government employes in the building and about \$1,500,000 lying outside in various parts of the building. The \$1,500,000 and about \$100,000 in melt-

The building used by the seeay out of is historic. Before it began to be used advantageous contracts at the outset.

BIG SACRAMENTO FIRE.

Department Store Burned, Causing Loss

Sacramento, Feb. 3.-The great de Co., was destroyed by fire this morning. One fireman was killed by a falling wall. One other fireman was fatally injured and several others received

California. It was a four story brick

and cement building, covering a large area of ground. An immense stock of department store goods was carried, as in addition to being the leading store in Sacramento it did a large business throughout Central and Northern Cali-

directors have decided to rebuild at once. Meantime, the debris will be cleared away and temporary warerooms put up. About 400 people have been thrown out of employment.

The total insurance is estimated by Colonel Weinstock at about \$300,000 Lose, probably \$500,000.

HOBSON GIVES UP.

Hero of the Merrimac Resigns from Navy on Account of His Eyes.

and the British possessions.

It is provided that the first meeting of the boundary tribunal shall be in London. As soon as possible after the was examined pronounced him fit for duty, and he was ordered to duty in duty, and he was ordered to dut Washintgon, Feb. 3 .- Captain Rich-

affection of the eyes, he and his friends have declared, incapacitated him from active duty. A bill to retire him has passed the house of representatives, and recently, when it was called up in the senate by Mr. Morgan it was passed over on an objection by Mr. Cockrell, who insisted that, an examining board having pronounced him fit for duty,

Hobson should not be retired.

Washintgon, Feb. 3 .- The secretary of the treasry has issued an order making Nome, Alaska, a sub-port of entry. This action was taken after a thorough investigation of the whole subject of officials in Alaska, and it is expected that it will add very materially to the prosperity of Nome and the whole territory. At present all vessels going to Nome are necessarily subject to many inconveniences and delays. Under th new arrangement vessels will enter and clear and duties will be paid at Nome perjury, but Lemuel E. Quigg and the the same as at all other ports of entry.

points, and no car escaped without broken windows. Thousands of people filled the streets, and the police were powerless to control the mob, and were at length forced to request the company officials to call in the cars. The reofficials to call in the cars. The quest was complied with, and the last car pulled into the barn at 11:15 escorted by the police.

Torpedo Boat Crushed.

Corfn. Island of Corfn. Feb. 3 .- The British cruiser Pioneer ran into a tor-pedo boat destroyer near the channel of of preference the blockading pos-Corfu today and 13 persons are believed to have been drowned. The torpedo be allowed to reach a settlement boat destroyer was the Orwell. She out giving some form of pr was cut through at the conning tower during night naval operations, and her fore part sank in deep water taking down 15 men. Only two bodies have been recovered. The after part of the Orwell

Springfield, Mass., Feb. 3. - Orders have been received at the United States armory to rush the shipment of 100,000 Krag-Jorgensen rifles to arsenals over the country. The original cause of the order was the passage of the militia bill, but the rush feature of the order apparently has a special cause.

BIG APPROPRIATION

A MILLION DOLLARS FOR JETTIES AT MOUTH OF COLUMBIA.

Board is Made-Alaska to Have Eight New Lighthouses Bertilion System to Identify Chinese Closer Watch Over Forest Reserves.

Washington, Feb. 4 .- The sundry civil bill, reported to the house yesterday, carries a number of Pacific Const items, most important among them being \$1,000,000 to be available after July I for the work on the jetty at the cordance with the authorization contained in the last river and harbor bill. There is a distinct advantage in having the lump appropriation, as it enables the special board report is made and

Other coast appropriations are: En-iargement and remodeling the Portland postoffice and court buildings, \$175,-000, with \$25,000 additional for rent of temporary quarters for postoffice and courts while repairs are being made: eight Alaska lighthouses, \$200,000; continued improvement of Crater Lake national park, \$2,000; reindeers for Alaska, \$25,000; improvement of Tacoma harbor, \$100,000; purchase of aits for military post Skarway Alaska. site for military post, Skagway, Alaska \$500; continuing mineral examination

\$500; continuing mineral examinations in Alaska by geological survey, \$60,000. The regular appropriations are made for the protection of the seal and aslmon fisheries of Alaska, surveys of the Pacific, Alaskan and Hawaiian coast, government fish stations in Oregon and Washintgon, food and clothing for natives on St. Paul and St. George island, Alaska, etc.

A similicant appropriation is \$500.

A significant appropriation is \$500,-000 for the exclusion of Chinese, \$300,-000 more than was appropriated for the purpose last year. The increase is 000 more than was appropriated for the purpose last year. The increase is authorized because the committee provides for the adoption of the Be stillion system of identification of Chinese entering and leaving at all ports of entry, it being found this is the only sure method of identification.

The appropriation for the protection of public lands against illegal and fraudulent entry is increased from \$150,000 to \$185,000, the committee directing that more special agents be

forest reserves is increased materially to \$130,000, indicating future activity

in this line. SHOOTS ESCAPING PRISONER.

Attempted Break From Idaho Penitentiary Neatly Frustrated.

Boise, Idaho, Feb. 4. - While athaving pronounced him fit for duty, Hobson should not be retired.

In a letter to the secretary of the navy Hobson sets out the reasons for his resignation, the principal one being the bad condition of his eyes. It is understood that Admiral Taylor, the chief of the bureau of navigation, will make a favorable recomendation on Captain Hobson's resignation.

Boise, Idaho, Feb. 4. — While attempting to escape from the penitentiary this afternoon, Bob Meeks was shot down by Deputy Warden Robert Fulton. Meeks slipped out of the yard behind a wagon and started to runs, and on him. The deputy warden ran into the office and, grabbing a rifle, stopped the fugitive at 300 yards. The ball struck the convict in the left leg, shattering the bone so badly that it has been necessary to amputate the limb. Meeks was sentenced for 35 years for participation in the robbery of the Montpelier bank in 1897. He made a previous escape, but was recaptured after being out two days. It was a found Meeks had sought to commit suicide by attempting to open an artery in his wrist with an improvised knife. This was apparently done last night.

Honolulu, Feb. 4 .- The Pacific Mair . the same as at all other ports of entry.

Trolley Cars Mobbed.

Waterbury, Conn., Feb. 3.—The trolley strike in this city tonight reached the proportions of a general riot. Every car sent out from the barns was greeted with a volley of stones at various points, and no car escaped without

> Beriln, Feb. 4.— The foreign officials say that the interchan views between Mr. Bowen and the resentatives of the ailies at Washin shall have. President Castro willbe allowed to reach a settlement with The attitude of the United States of tinues as from the beginning to be d nified and friendly toward all.

Can't Haul the Traffic. Chicago, Feb. 4.— Because of inabilety of eastern roads to handle all the traffic offered them, western roads have issued blockade notices that affect "about the contract of eral of the necessaries of life. As the latter is flour, which the roads will not receive for delign eastern roads until further notice, condition of congestion on the coroads is very? much worse [than

Ex-Secretary of the Navy Long shows improvement and may recover. Senator Mitchell is slowly recovering from his severe attack of illness. Binger Hermann has turned over the neral land office to his successor. A Manila official is short \$8,000 in

his accounts and has fled to Japan. The railroad connecting Havana and Santiago is completed and opened to The French chamber of deputies is

ananimously in favor of a large stand-

arrived in Washington.

The Washington legislature elected Mr. Ankeny to represent his state in be engaged with revolutionary forces 14 | the hands of the government on con pitals, shops, stables and miscellaneous structures. There is an immense amount of machinery, consisting of a floating plant of tugs, launches, dredg-es, a rolling plant of locomotvice and ington legislature. It is the first measure of the kind not opposed by the pumps, etc. In addition to all this cars, together with excavators, crance, there is a quantity of surveying and other instruments and miscellaneous

LEVI ANKENY, OF WALLA WALLA.

United States senate

uth of Caracas.

Puget sound tugboat companies.

000,000 during January.

errors corrected.

sight.

Fire destroyed the plant of the Chi-

cago railway supply foundry company, at West Harvey, causing a loss esti-mated at \$250,000.

A new pilot bill is before the Wash-

Professor Bidell, of Cornell, an-

nounces a discovery in transmission of

electricity whereby an alternating and direct current may be sent at the same

The national debt was decreased \$3,-

Coercion in Ireland has been almost

abandoned and better times are in

The Alaska boundary treaty has been

returned to the senate with the clerical

Rioting among striking street car men at Waterbury, Conn., continues, despite the presence of troops.

William A. Wilson, who absconded

Godfrey Hunter, jr., has been acquit-

The breaking of an elevator cable at

Denver caused the maiming and bruis-

ing of seven persons, one of whom may

enne, Wyo., are under arrest, charged with the theft of goods in transit.

Two stock trains on the Illinois Cen-

A movement is on foot to cretae a

Nine Union Pacific trainmen who

ted of the charge of murder growing out of the killing of William Fitzgerald at

from Manila with \$8,000 of govern-ment funds, has been captured at Mon-

quired to complete the Panama canal is 10 years, and the estimated cost is \$184,000,000. The Walker commissi thought it would take but eight years to build a canal at Nicaragua. It is estimated that millions will need be spent by the United States engineers in making Colon, Panama, and the canal route sanitary before much work can be done. The Panama fever has cost 100,000 lives, and no one can live long there under present conditions. It is thought that Chinese and Negroes will need to be imported for work in the ditch, as the climate is too oppressive to permit much labor by Americans, and the natives will not work.

ELEVEN WOMEN BURNED.

Awful Holocaust on Malcolm Isla

Seventeen Injured. Seattle, Feb. 4 .- A special to the Times from Vancouver says: Thursday evening witnessed a grim tragedy with dire results to the Finnish settlers on Malcolm island, some distance up the coast from Vancouver. In a terrible men were at a meeting, in a common living house in which 34 families were living, 11 women and children were burned to death and 17 injured. ran between Sydney, Neb., and Chey-

The anguish of the men, who powerless in many cases to help the tral collided, killing two men and inwomen and children, owing to there being no water supply, was terrible. As they stood outside the blasing building, children were thrown from the house at their feet and frantic women were falling all about them crippled and bruised as they leaped from the second story of the doomed hotel. There are about 100 families on the talend. The building burned was not juring 11 others. Five cars of stock were consumed in the fire which broke new state out of the western portion of North Dakota and the eastern portion of Montana. It is proposed to call it island. The building burned was put up to provide temporary shelter for the more recent arrivals, who had been living in tents. Many of the men performed acts of great bravery, and were

To Colonize Venezuela

Joplin, Mo., Feb. 4.—"The Vene-suelan Company," which organized here several days ago to enlist men for colonization in Venesuela, has, it was stated today, received over 1,000 men, all with military training and some of whom are stated to have held commis sions in the United States army and navy. Applications for membership Jean Jules Jusserand, the new French are pouring in from all parts of the mbassador to the United States, has United States and Canada. The company expects to secure large land grants. dressed, 7@7%c.

zona as One, to Be Divided Later.

Congressmen Favor Big Appropriations

the home and in the naval affairs committee is strongly in favor of Representative Dayton's resolution calling dence shall be submitted by the two upon the secretary of the navy for a parties within two months of the expermanent programme for the steady change of the ratifications of this treaty. increase, equipment and manning of Two months afterward the counter case the navy, with a view of giving to the may be submitted, but the tribunal United States a navy as efficient and may extend the time if it so desires. powerful as that of any power in the world. This resolution is now before the committee on naval affairs, but action on it will be delayed until disposal of the Lessler bribery case. Many members of congress, some of United States and Russia of March 30, whom are identified with naval affairs, 1867, and "particularly articles III, IV and some of whom have only the in- and V of the first mentioned treaty." terest of seeing the country protected by a well manned and powerful navy, given in French. In the treaty be-

Representative Cannon, of Illinois chairman of the committee on appropriations, who believes not one penny of the government's money should be other than wisely spent, endorses Mr.

Dayton's proposal.

Railroad Provides Free Surgeons. Central railroad has perfected a plan to minimize loss of life and injuries in accidents by employing 60 surgeons, who will live all along the line, so that they may be reached at once. Each physician will have charge of a section. The station masters will be kept in-

Philadelphia to Stay at Bremerton Washington, Feb. 5.—The navy de-partment has decided to retain the

their diplomas from the hands of Secretary of the Navy Moody, and became full fledged officers of the American navy. The exercises took place in the new armory. The midshipmen assem-bled in front of the barracks and marched to the armory, where a large