EPITOME OF THE DISPATCHES

Happenings Both at Home drowned. and Abroad.

A WEEK'S NEWS CONDENSED

Interesting Collection of Items From Many Places Culled From the Press Reports of the Current Week.

to be decreasing.

In Wisconsin it is estimated that 500,000,000 pine trees have been de-

Spanish forces are preparing to leave Cuba. Marching orders have been given at several points.

An authentic report received at San Francisco, says the seal herds of the northern waters are being rapidly ex-

It is reliably reported that the ultimatum of the powers to Turkey regarding the island of Crete, has been presented to the sultan. Advices from Van, Turkey, say fight-

ing occurred at Alashgord between Turks and a number of Armenians from Russia. About 50 Armenians A Quebec special says that Skagway

or Dyea are to be placed under British administration, and that Canada will be allowed access to the Yukon by way of Lynn canal under the treaty now being perfected at Quebec.

between 27,700 and 30,000 bales. A Third immunes under Colonel Day. considerable portion of the crop has been already contracted for on a basis of 10 and 11 cents per pound. The story of the loss of the fishing

schooner Bella has reached Seattle. The captain of the vessel was washed The wreck has been beached by the Farallon.

Fire, supposed to have originated berland, Wis., causing a property loss estimated at \$225,000. families are homeless. Five children are reported burned to death. A large burned, throwing many out of employment. Rain saved the entire city from

Yokohama via Honolulu, bringing the congressional commission from the latter place. In speaking of the work of the commission Senator Cullom said: "We have done as much as was possible in the time at our disposal, and we have covered the ground thoroughly. When we meet in Washington we will go to work at once on a report.'

Senor Agoncillo, the Philippine representative who has gone to Washington to ask that the insurgents be heard by the peace commissioners at Paris has made public a translation of the Philippine constitution, which Aguinaldo was to have proclaimed at Malo Los. By this constitution Aguinaldo formally renounces the title of dictator, and assumes that of president of the revolutionary government of the Philippines.

The aged Queen Louise of Denmark died at Copenhagen.

American and Spanish commissioners met and breakfasted together in Paris Thursday.

In Colorado, forest and prairie fires have done tremendous damage in Routt county, along the Roaring Fork river, and down in the San Juan region.

In addition to the troops already ordered to go to Cuba not later than Octoher 20, there will follow four more divisions, three of infantry and one of

Secretary Alger has returned to Washington, after his inspection of the army camps. He says the troops did not take care of themselves, which accounts for their present condition.

A man has been arrested at Orsova charged with complicity in a plot to assassinate the king of Roumania. The police received timely warning and the attempt was 'frustrated. A phial of poison, a dagger and several other weapons were found in the man's pos-

Striking union coalminers and imported negroes engaged in a pitched battle in the main street of Pana. Ill Several hundred shots were fired. No one was wounded in the ranks of the union men. The negroes, it is believed, had several wounded men, and one died after reaching the stockades.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Panama, Colombia, says: It may be stated with entire confidence that Colombia has not defied Italy by declining to pay the Cerruti claim. The dispute with Italy is regarded as settled so far as the award of President Cleveland in the case is concerned. Sixty pounds sterling has already been paid to Ernesto Cerruti for personal damages, and the payment of the liabilities of Cerruti & Co. has been guar-

Minor News Items. The North Atlantic squadron is to be reduced from a force of about 100 ves

A boiler burst at a sawmill near Evergreen, Ala., and Bud Archer, the engineer, his wife and child and his wife's sister were instantly killed.

A sperial train on the Chicago & Northwestern railway established a new record between Chicago and Omaha, making the run of 493 miles

in nine hours and 29 minutes. General Toral, who surrendered the Spanish army at Santiago to the Americans, arrived at Vigo, Spain, and was greeted with a storm of, hisses and

Philip D. Armour, Marshall Field and Norman B. Ream, of Chicago, are said to have obtained control of the

Baltimore & Ohio railroad. Severe earthquake shocks were felt

at Sioux City, Ia., Bloomfield, Neb., and at Elk Point and Hurley, S. D. The Peruvian congress by an immense majority has sanctioned the suspension

A London special from Bombay says t ferry-boat capsized while crossing the Andus river, and 100 passengers were

ernment of Hawaii is to be territorial in form, with one representative in congress. Dr. David J. Hill, of Rochester, N.

Y., has been appointed first assistant secretary of state to succeed John B. Moore, resigned.

The Paris Figaro states that Count D'Aubigne, French charge d'affaires at Munich, will replace M. Cambon as German exports to America are said | minister at Washington. Cambon will go to Madrid.

Thirty thousand people were present to witness the launching of the battleship Illinois at Newport News, Va. Many prominent persons were present

from the national capital. The American authorities in Manila have invited all the schoolteachers to resume the instruction of their classes. The schools have been closed since the surrender of Manila to the Americans. Upon separate ballots being taken in the Oregon legislature Tuesday in Salem, H. W. Corbett received 36

George, 10. Forty-six votes are required on joint ballot to elect. A. P. Swineford, ex-governor of prospectors who have returned goldless from that region were unsuccessful because of lack of foresight in failing to

prepare for life in a new country. In consequence of serious disorders due to the presence of the insurgents in the vicinity of Manzanillo, General Lawton has dispatched thither the It is estimated that the total hop steamer Reina de Los Angeles with one crop of Washington this season will be battalion of four companies from the

Evacuation is well nigh completed and the Stars and Stripes will soon wave over the entire island of Porto Rico. The Spanish and American commissioners have worked in perfect harmony. The Spanish made no attempt overboard and drowned. A member of to delay the carrying out of the terms the crew was also washed overboard, of the protocol, but on the contrary were anxious to return to Spain.

Isaac Schlesinger, his wife and two children were held prisoners 14 hours from forest fires, burned half of Cum- at their home in West Taylor street, Chicago, by a crowd of 200 boys. Dur-About 25 ing most of this time the family were compelled to go without food, as their larder was empty. They were in consaw mill is among the buildings stant fear that an attack would be made upon them.

In the case brought by Governor Pingree, of Michigan, to compel the The steamship Gaelic has arrived in Michigan Central railway to sell mile-San Francisco from Hong Kong and age tickets at a flat 2 cents, the Wayne district court holds that the company, under its special charter, has a right to fix its own tolls, and that this is a vested right which the state must pay for if it takes it away.

A report from General Otis to the indicates a happy frame of mind. department states that the total number of deaths among the troops at the Philippines in three months was 87.

The state department has issued a ircu'ar instructing the United States onsulates to half-mast their flags in emery of the late Ambassador Bayard.

A warrant is out for the arrest of United States Senator Quay. Himself and son and other prominent Pennsylvanians are charged with having used state moneys from the People's bank to speculate in stocks.

Thirty miles from Murfreesboro, Tenn., four prominent men were assassinated by John Hollingsworth and several of his friends, who fired upon them from ambush. Hollingsworth was later captured and shot by a posse.

General Fitzhugh Lee's corps will go to Cuba this month. The general health of his command is excellent. The camp at Jacksonville, Fla., is well watered and in splendid sanitary condition. Cuba, the general thinks, will be divided into military departments.

The steamer Fastnet has arrived at Vancouver, B. C., from Skagway with half a million in dust, and with news that a million more was on the wharf when the Fastnet left. There will be but one more boat from Dawson, the Columbia, which will bring down a

large amount of treasure. Captain Dreyfus, whether guilty or nnocent, has certainly caused a veritable cyclone of passion to be let loose, and Paris was in a turmoil all Sunday. Crowds, scuffie, uproar and arests was the programme of the day. About a score of people are said to have been seriously wounded in the various free

Secretary Long, upon advices received at the state department, which show the existence of threatening conditions in China, has ordered Dewey to send two warships immediately from Manila to a point as near the Chinese capital as possible for a warship to approach. The vessels selected are the Baltimore

and Petrel. Bertha Beilstein killed her mother in Pittsburg, Pa., and later put several bullets into her own body, from the effects of which she cannot recover. The only explanation the girl has given for her terrible deed were these words: "I was tired of life. It held no pleasare for me. I wanted to die and did not want mother to live and fret over my death. For that reason I killed

Rev. E. Fullerton, who has been ap pointed United States consul at Naga saki, Japan, is a Methodist missionary.

The American Indies company has been formed in New York with a capital stock of \$18,000,000. Its object is to develop the resources of Cuba and Porto Rico.

President McKinley and as many members of his cabinet as can do so will attend some portion of the peace jubilee which begins at the Omaha ex- the most expensive because the breezposition October 10.

Lieut, John W. Heard, of the Third United States cavalry, is the champion pistol shot of the United States army

Mrs. L. Seeleye, aged 60 years, died in Laport, Tex. Mrs. Seeleye served in the civil war as Frank Thompson, of company F, Second Michigan volunteers, and was granted a pension as a

Union of Astronomers to Messrs. Chandler and Ritchie, announces the discovery of a minor planet with a re- while the trustee represents the creditmarkable orbit, which overlaps, to ors, is appointed by them, and is not some extent that of the planet Mars. required to take the oath.

Being Rushed by the Amer-The Hawaiian Star says the new govicans at Paris.

Stupefies Madrid-Will Resist to the Verge of Hostilities.

Paris, Oct. 5.-Major-General Mer ritt reached Paris today. The American peace commission held a session this morning preparatory to a second meeting with the Spanish commissioners this afternoon.

Today's session lasted until 4 o'clock, at which hour the commissioners adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock next Friday afternoon, such interval being desired and neccessary to allow separate consideration by each commission of matters before the joint commission. The interval will be thus filled with work by each commission, the ultimate results being so facilitated. The secvotes, Judge Bennett, 24, and M. C. retary of the Spanish commission will Several Lives Were Lost in Wisconsi arrive tonight, and the interval will also be employed by the secretaries jointly in maturing plans for the work General Merritt called at their hotel, but did not wait to see the commission. He will call again tomorrow to see members of the commission.

The Spanish and American commis-President Faure. The hour fixed for and the 7-year-old son of Nels Swanson the reception of the Americans is 3:45 were found in the woods, 11/2 miles in the afternoon. General Merritt will northeast of Almena, so badly burned accompany the Americans to this func- that they cannot recover. tion, which will be held at the Palace

de Elvsee. The opinion is now held that the work of the commissioners may be fininshed within a month from the preswas taken only to enable the secretarie to draw up a schedule of work, the representative of the press learns that the session was highly important, and that the Americans have made a demand of such character that the Span iards find it necessary to ask for an adfournment in order to enable them to consult with the government at Madrid.

It is believed that the question concerns the Philippines, and it is known that the Americans are highly pleased gotiations, and consider the two sessions thus far held as very satisfactory to America.

mission expressed the belief that work would be completed within a month

In the Spanish camp great hopes ar built on what they believe General Merritt will advise, namely, that the Philippines are incapable of self-government, and that the whole situation does not warrant America in taking the responsibility for the entire Philippines. The Spanish commissioners are quite ready to give whatever America asks in the way of coaling stations, but human trichinosis due to American will resist more, to the verge of a re-

Madrid Worried.

Madrid, Oct. 5 .- The reported inten tion of the United States government to retain the whole of the Philippines has preated almost a state of stupefaction here, and it is semi-officially annonneed that the Spanish government has resolved to vigorously combat any action which, it is claimed, the terms of the peace protocol preclude. eral Rios, governor of the Visayas islands, reports to the government another defeat of the insurgents. The Spanish volunteers, he says, also repulsed an insurgent attack on the town of Basan, and killed 31 of the attacking force.

TO CORNER WAR IMPLEMENTS

Reported Scheme to Form a Combin

of Warship and Gun Factories. Cleveland, O., Oct. 5 .- An evening paper says one of the most gigantic pro jects for a combination of capital is being examined in this city. It is nothing less than an attempt to unite the warship building interest and armor plate and gun-making interests of the world into one great syndicate. Men of international reputation in the financial and manufacturing world are in the deal. The projectors claim they can raise a capital of \$200,000,000. Among the Clevelanders who are in the deal is said to be Colonel Myron T. Herrick, president of the Society of Savings, and Robert Wallace, president of the Cleveland Ship Building Company. Dr. Gatling, the famous invetor of guns, has been here in conference with other men in the deal. Arm strong, the inventor of the gun which bears his name, has also been here Andrew Carnegie is one of the chief men in the negotiation. Robert Wallace is now in the West with several foreigners. Before he returns he will stop at San Francisco, and the proprie tors of the Union Iron Works will be approached as to whether they will come into the deal.

Killed His Wife and Himself. Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 4 .- This evening Robert Lash, a desperate character, went to 324 Court street, where his wife was stopping, and, calling her into the hallway, shot her dead. Lash then killed himself with the same weapon. The tragedy was the culmination

of many quarrels. In the hotels built in China for the use of foreigners the highest stories are

Postoffice Department Ruling. Washington, Oct. 4.- In a communi cation to the attorney-general, responding to an inquiry, Acting Postmaster-General Heath says the postoffice department holds that a referee in bankruptcy is an officer of the United States government, entitled to use the "penalty envelopes," but is not satisfied that a trustee in bankruptcy is so entitled. The referee, he explains, is appointed by the court, and required to take the usual oath,

Ponce, Porto Rico, Oct. 5 .- It is the well-grounded and almost unanimous opinton of the medical staff of the American army in Porto Rico that the condition of the volunteer forces here necessitates their immediate removal HAVE ALREADY MADE DEMANDS north. Sickness is increasing, and has been increasing during the past three weeks at an alarming rate. Today the sick report shows over 2,700 in hospitals or in quarters, out of a total command of 10,000 men; that is, over 25 per cent of the troops are on the sick list. This however does not mean that there is an effective strength of 7,500 men. The soldiers discharged

> the convalescents do not, and seemingweek.

Cumberland, Wis., Oct. 5 .- The

ent time. While it is the general im- families. The fire is still roaring on pression that today's meeting was one side of this city, but the greatest again devoted to preliminary work, danger is believed to be over. Near and that the adjournment to Friday the town of Johnston, Polk county, property is reported today, and fires

Berlin, Oct. 5 .- A most important revelation regarding American pork was vail here. Trouble is feared at interior made by the German government announcement in the semi-official press

at having so soon reached what they today, that it has received information consider a very important phase of the showing that American pork had entered Germany without certificate. the report that the discovery had been made that thousands of tons of American pork have been imported through a number of custom houses for years bast without certificates. The embassy has requested the foreign office to in-

every case upon a certificate. alleged discoveries of trichinae in American pork. German dealers in American pork offered in July last a reward of 1,000 marks for a case of pork, and three months have passed without anybody claiming the money.

occurred during the evening. NEARING THE CRISIS.

> An ugly statement is made by the Petite Republique to the effect that Colonel Picquart, who had previously however, of verifying the statement. hotels, and it is probable that an exodus will occur, the guests fearing grave

developments. The working class, so far, has held aloof, but the leaders of the rival parties are doing their utmost to stir them up, and it is believed that the disorders will be repeated.

Le Matin publishes a dispatch from Cayenne stating that the French cruiser Dubordieu is lying off the Salut islands

Troops to Be Sent to the Philippines Protect the Visayas Islands. grant reforms in the Visayas islands, on the lines demanded by the inhabitants, and to concentrate his forces at

equaint its Paris commissioners with may be used in the peace negotiations. Finally, it is announced that the government will inform the government at Washington that it has decided to send reinforcements to the Visayas, and has ordered several batteries of artillery in Andalusia to get ready to start net will repeat its protests against the insurgents continuing to hold Spanish

A Russian does not become of age until he is 26.

Washington, Oct. 5 .- To a number in general circulation here that the killed, another fataly injured, and of interested callers today, President Canadian commissioners have demand-McKinley had occasion to reiterate his ed a cession of territory in Alaska, in- dent at the Garfield racetrack tonight. way, in return for fishing concessions on the Newfoundland boundary. The report comes from sources that are con-sidered trustworthy. A call has been issued for a meeting of the leading merchants tomorrow to investigate the report. If it is found to have any foundfurloughs. He stated very firmly that there would be no general discharge until the situation was cleared up.

TORNADO AND FLOOD.

casts of Georgia and South Carolina Savannah, Ga., Oct. 4 .- For 15 hours, from 3 o'clock this morning until 6 o'clock tonight, Savannah bas been in the grasp of a West Indian tornade. During the day the wind blew steadily from 50 to 70 miles an hour. While the city escaped with comparatively little damage, the loss of property among the sea islands of the Georgia and South Carolina coasts is be-

lieved to be heavy. For miles in every direction around Savannah the towns along the rivers are submerged. Only one fatality has London, Oct. 4 .- A special dispatch so far been reported-the drowning of from Shanghai says: The announce- a negro while attempting to reach the ment of the death of the emperor is land from a small island near Thunderbold-but heavy loss of life is feared confirmed. The reports as to the means employed in his taking off differ. on the South Carolina sea islands, One story has it that he died of poison, where such fearful loss of life occurred and another that death was caused by during the great tidal wave of 1893. The medical officers have found that strangulation, while a third states that The conditions now are similar to those he was subjected to frightful torture a during that storm. Owing to the subredhot iron being thrust through his merged country and the isolated location of the islands, no news can be had Another dispatch from Shanghai from them until the water subsides.

says: Telegrams furnished by the tal-For eight miles north of Savannah the entire country is a lake, with only tai, or local governor, to a Chinese paper allege that the emperor commit- the hummocks visible. At noon the ted suicide September 21, after signing water was eight feet above the highest a decree which placed the dowager emtide. Driven on shore by the northeast press at the head of affairs in China. storm, it filled up on the islands, swept This, it is added, is understood to mean over banks, and dams, carrying away that the emperor has also been anthe remnant of the rice crop that was nounced semi-officially. All the left by the August storm, and had not English-speaking secretaries and the been gathered, and wiping out farm principal members of the Chinese forcrops. The loss to ricegrowers alone eign office, it is further announced, will be from \$50,000 to \$75,000. Of the entire rice crop along the Savannah The British foreign office today reriver, valued at \$250,000, all but about ceived a dispatch from her majesty's 15 per cent was lost in this and the pre-

minister at Peking saving Mr. Morti- ceding storm. mer, a member of the British legation, The damage to shipping is consideraon returning home yesterday with a ble. The schooner Governor Ames, lady, was insulted and attacked by a which was on her way to sea with a mob, which stoned him and covered cargo of 1,500,000 feet of lumber, went him with mud. Later in the day, the adrift in the harbor, but was secured dispatch adds, some American mis- safely. sionaries were similarly attrcked, as The wharves at the quarantine sta-

was the Chinese secretary of the United tion, at the entrance to the river here, States legation. The latter's ribs were were partially carried away. The telephone, police, light and fire Sir Claude McDonald, the British alarm wires are down, and the city is

minister at Peking, reports that there in darkness. On Hutchinson's island, opposite Savannah, and separating the city from the South Carolina shore, many negro Washington, Oct. 4 .- Minister Confamilies were rescued by boats from ger has cabled the following to the state the revenue steamers Tybee and Bout-"Peking.-Six alleged conspirators

ANOTHER HORROR SHIP.

Surgeon Protests Against Overcrowding on the Obdam. Santiago de Cuba, Oct. 4.-Surgeon-Major Seaman, of the transport Obdam, declares that there will be a repetition of the awful horrors that have characterized the voyage home of the other transports if more sick soldiers are sent Paris, Oct. 4.—The Dreyfus demon- to New York. He says that when the stration organized by M. Pressence, one Obdam left Porto Rico many on board of the leaders of the agitation, for this were sick, yet the first quartermaster canned food, saying that he had no authority to furnish wine. Surgeon Seaman said he would hold him responsible should any deaths occur, and finally succeeded in obtaining suitable food for those who were ill. He asserts Vive armeel" "Vive Zola!" and "A that the ship has every man that she can carry, and that if she reaches New persed. The persons taken into custody York without any deaths occurring, she

will be lucky. Hearing that a number of other sick soldiers were to be sent aboard her, the surgeon-major made a protest, and stated that he was informed by General Lawton that his protest showed lack of discipline, and that an officer had been appointed to see how many additional men the Obdam could carry. Surgeon Seaman says he will cable to Surgeon-General Sternberg a protest, disclaiming responsibility for whatever may

Mayor McCleary, of Santiago, is endeavoring to compel the merchants to sell necessaries of life at reasonable

MILLION DOLLAR FIRE.

Serious Blow to the Town of Colorado Springs-Eight Blocks Burned. Colorado Springs, Colo., Oct. 4 .-This city had a visitation of fire this afternoon which threatened for four hours to destroy the entire business district. The wind was blowing at the rate of 45 miles an hour from the southwest when the fire started at the Denver & Rio Grande treight depot, at the foot of Cucharis street, at 2:10 P. M., and the flames spread with great owing to the chaotic state in which the rapidity. A strip four blecks long from north to south, and two blocks wide from east to west, has been burned over, but at this hour the conflagration is believed to be under control. The flames are still leaping high over the burnt district, but the wind has died down, and there is no doubt that the fire engines, which have come from \$2,000 a year. Denver and Pueblo in response to appeals for aid, will be able to confine the flames within the present limits. The Antlers hotel, one of the largest

in the West, three lumber yards and two blocks of business houses have been destroyed. In round numbers the loss is estimated at \$1,000,000, and insurance at one-half of that amount.

San Juan de Porto Rico, Oct. 3 .-The meeting of the military commission yesterday was private, and no news was given out regarding what these contentions, in order that they transpired. The American troops now occupy fully two-thirds of the island. statute. New Steamship Line.

> Vancouver, B. C., Oct. 4 .- The Canadian Pacific rallway will estab-

lish another trans-Pacific line. The steamers Tartar and Athenian, of over for the Philippine islands within 24 4,500 tons, will run between Vancou-hours. In addition to this, the cabi-ver and Vladivostock, the termini of the trans-Canadian and trans-Asian lines, respectively. The Athenian will sail first, loading here and then proceeding to Seattle and Portland, where grain will probably be placed on board for Russia. Fatal Bleycle Accident. Chicago, Oct. 3.-One man was

third seriously hurt in a bicycle acci-

pital in an unconscious condition, and may die; and F. A. Bridges, 24 years old, whose right shoulder was broken besides being bruised about the body.

Both houses of the Oregon legislaure adjourned early Friday afternoon until Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock; and most of the members left town over Sunday. Everything about the state printer's office is running at high pressure to get the bills already introluced in shape.

In the senate 60 bills have been inroduced, and have gone to the printer. some 25 resolutions have also been nandled there. In the house the numper of bills introduced is 36, and resolutions, including joint and concurrent, 35.

The committee on agriculture was permitted to leave the senate until Monday in order to visit Corvallis. Resolutions were introduced as fol-

By Michell, to establish a rule of leading in case of arson; read first and econd time by title and referred to the committee on judiciary. By Morrow, mending the statute creating the sixth udicial district. By Wade, giving the preference in employment to old solliers and veterans. By Reed, amendsecond time by title and referred to the

The senate then took a recess until P. M.

In the House.

In the house the committee on agriculture was excused until Monday, so that the members might visit the agricultural college at Corvallis and investigate the recent fire in accordance with the governor's message

Bills were introduced as follows: By Topping, changing the location Empire City to Coquille City. lees, and also establishing trial fees. right of private parties to examine the are wished. By Thompson, regulating the salaries of Washington county officers as follows: County clerk, \$1,800; recorder, \$1,000; sheriff, \$1,800.

introduced as follows: By Ross, to abolish estates in entire-By Hill, prohibiting the sale of railroad tickets by other than regular agents of roads. By Fieeland, fixing the terms of court in the sixth judicial district. By Marsh, to establish the

A number of bills introduced at the commencement of the session came up proper committees.

order. One in regard to sheriff's fees, etc., in the case of embezzlement by an official of Douglas county, was referred to the Douglass county delegation for Ex-Representative U'Ren had intro

duced in the house an amendment to the constitution of the state, section 1 article 4, to agree with the populistic platform providing for the initiative and referendum; indefinitely postponed. A report of the committee on resolutions recommended that the resolution providing for an investigation of the military board is now in owing to the

Freeland of Morrow, introduced bill to make a change in the salaries sheriff and county clerk in Morrow county, reducing each from \$2,400 to

The house adjourned until Monday.

introduced the briefest bill of this or any other session, it is believed. It is a bill for an act abolishing tenancy by

Thompson of Washington introduced a bill to make the salaries of the sheriff and clerk of his county each \$1,800 with a deputy for each at \$600. recorder is to have \$1,000, with one deputy, at \$500. The sheriff now receives \$2,500, with \$800 for a deputy; the clerk \$2,200, with \$800 for a deputy, and the recorder, \$1,500, with

FAST WORK DONE.

Considerable Routine Business Tran Much routine business was transacted in the two hours the legislature was in

session Monday afternoon. The senate received four new bills, one of which was finally passed under suspension of the rules—an amendment to the Astoria charter to enlarge the powers of the common council. Tweny-eight bills were advanced through the second reading, and half a dozen

resolutions were concurred in. The Astoria charter amendment also went through the house, as did a bill to give Tillamook county two terms of court each year instead of one, and a bill to authorize Coos county to sell certain property that had been purchased for a courthouse site, but had been found unsuitable. A dozen new bills were introduced in the house, eight others passed second reading, and

five resolutions were handled. By the agreement of the senate to the resolution authorizing an investigation of the insane asylum and the concurrence of the house in a resolution to investigate the Soldiers' Home at Roseburg, the fourth investigation of the session was set on toot, the others being of the penitentiary and of the secretary of state's office, which are already in

progress. One of the resolutions introduced by Ross of Multnomah, and passed, is for arranging appropriate exercises for a joint meeting of the two houses February 14, to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the admission of Oregon as a state and the 50th anniversary of extending United States laws over Oregon, the governor being requested to appoint a committee for a semi-centennial ce'ebration in Portland, June 15. The last member to appear at roll-call this session is Representative Donnelly, of Grant, who had been absent in Ten-

nessee and only arrived Monday. When the general agents of insurance companies have an opportunity to read the bill introduced by Fordney of Wallowa, in the house, they will, it is understood, take immediate steps to defeat it. The bill provides for the retention and investment of the legal reserve on all policies to be written in the future in the state A failure to comply with the provisions of the bill will entail a forfeiture of the license of

the offending company. The Senate. Bills were introduced in the senate Monday as follows: By Kelly-To repeal the act regulating the sale of adulterated food and

medicines.

By Adams-Providing for the taxation of dogs and kindred subjects. By Mulkey-To incorporate the town of Monmouth.

By Fulton-To amer relating to the incorporation of the city of Astoria; passed. In the house Monday afternoon, brils were introduced as follows:

By Flagg-To incorporate the city of Salem. It provides for bonding outstanding warrant indebtedness and aims to secure better sanitary conditions. By Stanley-To reimburse the Omaha

By Curtis-Amending the general laws in relation to the administrative department so that the term of the governor shall commence the second Monday in January after his election. By Sherwin-Amending the charter

fair commissioners in the sum of \$18,-

of Ashland; passed. By Maxwell-Amending the miscellaneous laws in regard to the time of holding elections in the fifth judicial district.

By Stillman-Compelling persons or corporations operating sleeping cars to keep upper berths closed when not occupied, and imposing \$500 fine for violations. By Hobkirk-A bill which is intend-

ed to remedy certain alleged irregular-

ities in the manner in which the rec-

ords of Multnomah county are kept,

and throwing the same open to the gen-Wade of Union, introduced in the senate a bill for an act giving preference in appointment and employment to honorably discharged Union soldiers and sailors, in every department of the state, and in counties and cities and on public works. It is provided that age, oss of limb, or other physical impairment which does not in fact incapacitate, shall not be deemed to disqualify them, provided they possess the business capacity to discharge the duties of the position involved. It is also specified that no such soldier or sailor now holding any such position, unless for definite term, shall be removed, excent for cause shown after due hearing. The measure is not made to apply to

the letter and spirit of the law is made a misdemeanor. The Baker City charter bill was the first measure to pass both houses. Its chief purpose is to relieve the present city officials of office. They were elected more than four years ago, and then This is to do away with the common the city charter was amended, and by law rule that personal estates shall go inadvertence it failed to provide for any in entirety to the husband or wife in election. So the mayor and councilmen case of the death of the other, instead have had to continue to hold office. of descending to heirs. The disposal greatly to the envy of politicians elseof real estate is already arranged for by where. The new charter remedies the

confidential positions. Failure on the

part of appointing officers to observe

difficulty. An amendment to the code, intro-A resolution by Curtis of Clatsop, duced in the senate by Reed of Dongtributaries, or in any other streams or attached.

> advices from Japan bring the news of the death of Rev. Thaddeus F. Free-

Raltimore's Chaplain Drowned.

San Francisco, Oct. 5 .- The latest

man, chaplain of the United States steamship Baltimore, at Nagasaki. From all accounts Chaplain Freeman committed suicide while in a state of mental depression consequent upon his failing health. He jumped overboard from the Zealandia and was drowned

Critical Condition of the Army in Rumor of His Taking Off Confirmed:

Feeling Is Spreading.

HIS SUICIDE IS ANNOUNCED Which Is Understood to Mean That He Was Assassinated-The Anti-English

bowels.

have been banished.

from the hospitals as fit for duty are in nine cases out of ten incapable of service, and if ordered on duty are almost invariably back in the hospitals within few days.

ly cannot, recover their strength in this climate, and for this reason they are being sent north as rapidly as possible, several hundred leaving every FATAL FOREST FIRES.

bodies of a man and a boy were found Alaska, while in Chicago declared the of procedure. While the American today in the woods between Amena and commissioners were at luncheon today, Poskin Lake, burned beyond recognition. Several persons are still missing. Peter Ecklund, who was seriously burned by forest fires, was brought to this city today in a critical condition, and it is thought he cannot live. A sioners will be received tomorrow by 4-year-old daughter of Rudolph Miller,

> Mrs. Frank Heinrichmeier, at Poskin Lake, died this morning, as a result of fright and exhaution in fighting fires. Relief rooms were opened today, and relief is being extended to starving eight miles distant, heavy loss of farm are still raging.

AMERICAN PORK.

Thousands of Tons Have Entered Ger

struct the custom house to insist in No American firm is implicated in

hese transactions, which explain the

Foreign Ministers at Peking Hold Emergency Meeting. London, Oct. 5 .- A special dispatch from Shanghai says that telegrams from Peking have been detained two days. The last telegram received, according to this dispatch, announced that the foreign ministers had held an emergency meeting. The German warship at Kiau Chou, it also stated, had started hurriedly for Taku the day before. Marquis Ito, who, it is understood is visiting China, for the purpose arranging an offensive and defensive

alliance betwen China and Japan, has left Tien-Tsin for Shanghai, owing to the impossibility of prosecuting negotiations during the crisis. The foreign ministers, it is stated forbade any foreign residents going to

Peking. It is expected that Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister. shall surrender Kang Yu Wei. Yamantsu, leader of the rebellion in the Sze Chuen province, has issued

a proclamation ordering the extermination of all foreigners. Mob Menacing Foreigners. London, Oct. 5. - The Peking corre mondent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraphing Saturday by way of Shanghai, says: "A mob is menacing foreigners. The wife of the Italian minister was attacked yesterday, while on her way to church, and several Americans garrisoning the Visayas.

coming from the railroad were wounded by stones. "The foreign ministers have sent collective note to the government, asking for the suppression of these outrages, and the punishment of the cul-

Wheels Moving Again.

Lawrence, Mass., Oct. 5 .- The Wash

ington mills started up in all depart-

ments this morning, after a partial shutdown of several weeks. About 4.500 hands are now employed. Klondikers on the Discovery. Seattle, Wash., Oct. 4 .- The steam chooner Discovery arrived at midnigh from Alaska with 100 passengers and about \$50,000 in gold dust. The tres sure was owned by a few men. A Helwerth is credited with \$15,000 and George McCord \$10,000. Dan McDonald, a brother of Alex McDonald, the

Croesus, of ancient times, possesse about \$20,000,000.

mining king, is said to have brought

ont \$10,000.

determination to have no more troops mustered out for the present. In the course of interviews, he stated in substance that it was the intention of the administration to send fresh troops to Porto Rico to take the place of th volunteers, who will have to be returned home, and who will be given there would be no general discharge until the situation was cleared up.

Foreigners Are Preparing the City.

s a dangerous feeling abroad.

department: •

points.'

Execution of Alleges Conspirators.

were executed by order of the empress

yesterday. Kang, the leading reformer

nd adviser of the emperor, escaped in

μ British vessel. Order and quiet pre-

DISORDERS IN PARIS

trance, and an uproar resulted. The police then intervened and arrested M. Pressence, M. Vaughn, editor of the Aurore, and Deputy Mory, amid shouts and counter-shouts of "Vive revision!"

were subsequently released: Disorders, most of them in the vicinity of the offices of the Libre Parole, Many persons were slightly injured, though sticks were the only weapons used. Several arrests were made.

as les juifs!" and the crowd was dis-

taken exercise in the courthouse yard of the jail, had not left his cell since Thursday, when he was seized with symptoms of cerebral congestion, followed by coma. There is no means, The disorders have created intense alarm among the foreigners at the

waiting to bring Dreyfus away.

A SPANISH THREAT. Madrid, Oct. 4.-The cabinet has decided to authorize General Rios to

Mindanao, as there are only 450 men

The Spanish ministers also decided to protest to the government at Washington against the refusal of the Americans to permit Spanish troops to be sent to the Visayas, while it is claimed the insurgents are constantly receiving arms and cannon with which to attack other islands, "which the Americans permit without even pretending to intervene."

The Spanish cabinet, it is added, will

prisoners in the Philippine islands.

Seattle Aroused. Seattle, Wash , Oct. 4 .- A report is

cluding the towns of Dyea and Skag- The dead man is Harry Cline, 20 years old. His skull was fractured. The injured are an unidentified man, about 24 years old, taken to the county hos-

DOWN TO BUSINESS.

Sixty Bills and 25 Resolutions Introduced in Senate, and 36 Bills and 35 Resolutions in House.

Proceedings in Detail. The senate opened at 10 A. M. Friday with prayer by Rev. Hornschuch. A communication from the secretary of state was received, forwarding the correspondence on the matter of constitutional amendments between his office and that of the attorney-general, with the adverse opinion of the latter officer.

It was referred to the indiciary com-

By Michell, that the sergeant-atarms furnish the senators with three daily papers, he making the selection. By Reed, for a joint committee to inspect the building and business of the Oregon Soldiers' Home at Roseburg; adopted and ordered printed. Bills were introduced as follows:

ng the statute to protect salmon and other food fishes of the state; read a ommittee on fisheries.

of the county seat of Coos county from Freeland, to regulate the scale of salaries for county officers who are now on By Gray, giving preference to honorably discharged Union soldiers in work on public works. By Palmer, making of the Salle Wagram. M. Pressence but supplied them with hardtack and but supplied them with hardtack and 8 per cent by stipulation between the persons interested, but regulating the public records and make such notes as

> The house then adjourned until At the afternoon session bills

boundary lines of Washington county.

for a second reading and went to the The veto messages of the governor came up in the house today on a special

a report. state military board be not adopted

Representative Ross of Multnomah.

entireties, and reads as follows: "That tenancy by entireties is here by abolished."

provided that the speaker, chief clerk, las, is to make it unlawful to fish for assistant clerk and two members, to be salmon in the waters of the Nehalem, appointed by the speaker, constitute a Tillamook, Nestucca, Salmon, Siletz, committee to examine, correct and ap- Yaquina, Alsea, Siuslaw, Umpqua, prove the journal of the house; that Coos bay, Coquille, Sixes, Elk, Chetco, said approval be made within 12 days Rogue, Windchuck or any of their said approval be made within 12 days after the adjournment of the session. and that they shall receive for the bays of the state except the Columbia service the same pay as the chief clerk, river and tributaries, from November It also provided that the journal be 20 to December 20, and from April 15 not read during the session. The reso- to June 1, the emergency clause being lution was referred.

\$600 for a deputy. According to M. Adhemar Lec' re, French resident in Kratia, Cambodia, One pint of milk produces, roughly peaking, one cupes of butter.

French resident in Kratia, Cambodia, the Phongs, a wild people of that counting. His remains were recovered and try, have the type of the North Americal will be brought to the pountry for incomplete to the peaking, one cupes of butter.