THE LAST ARGUMENT

Durrant Case Almost Ready for the Jury.

DEFENDANT STILL INDIFFERENT

District Attorney Barnes in an Eloquent Appeal Makes Out a Strong Case Against the Prisoner.

San Francisco, Nov. 1 .- District Attorney Barnes appeared as the central figure in the last scenes of the trial of Theodore Durrant. While the spectators in the crowded courtroom craned their necks to catch every word of the speaker, he delivered what is considered in many respects one of the strongest arguments ever made to a California jury. Aside from being logical and convincing in his discussion of the testimony, he made two or three dramatic by-plays that put to a severe test the iron nerves of the prisoner. Of these scenes the most impressive took place in the early part of his argument, when he spoke of how counsel for the defense had invoked the spirit of Blanche Lamont and voiced her thoughts by saving:

Let him go free; he harmed me

While looking intently at the frame bearing Miss Lamont's dress, which stood near the jury box, and telling how, through the long days of the trial, had seen the young school girl clothed in all her innocence and purity, Mr. Barnes reached the climax of the scene. Turning upon Durrant, who was seated only three feet away, the district attorney with clenched fists and in a voice of thunder exclaimed:

"I see her now. There she stands behind him at this very moment; not praying for vengeance for her deep and remediless wrongs; not for the law's retribution upon her murderer, but with uplifted hands and streaming eyes, praying God will not put it into your hearts, by the mockery of a verdiet of not guilty, to set free this monster to prey upon other souls, pollute with vile hands the unsullied snow of other children and defy anew that God of justice whose ministers you are."

Durrant was the least affected person in the courtroom. While Mrs. Noble, the dead girl's aunt, wept silently and everybody else was thrilled with the impressiveness of the scene, Durrant sat stolid and indiffer-As the district attorney's last words were uttered, the prisoner whispered something to his mother, who sat near him, and smiled as if pleased at the wit of his own remark.

Mr. Barnes began his argument by dwelling upon the personalities of Miss Lamont and Durrant, outlining the grounds upon which the state bases its contention that no one but Durrant could be the murderer. He spoke in

part as follows: The individual who perpetrated the hideous murder, with which the defendant stands charged and which has harrowed the soul and frozen the blood of this community, is no ordinary criminal; and his crime in every aspect in which it may be considered is without parallel. It was not committed under a blind and furious impulse to revenge some real or fancied wrong to his person, his property or his character, nor from motives of gain, nor in the commission of robbery, nor yet under the hot spur of jealousy, that hell of the injured lover. It was in every sense a cold-blooded, vicious murder. It was without the slightest provocation or apparent excuse or palliation. The assassin chose for his victim an innocent and helpless maiden. in years almost a child, almost a stranger in our city, a simple schoolgirl, temporarily residing with relatives and engaged in the struggle to obtain an education as a teacher in the normal school. She was undeveloped in mind, pure in life and thought, pure and unsuspecting in nature, and presenting in body none of the qualities which are supposed to arouse the evil passions of the seducer and libertine. For the scene of his dreadful assault the murderer selected and evangelical church dedicated to the worship of God, a temple where the doctrines and life of Jesus Christ were taught and illustrated in Sabbath assembly, in midweek prayer meeting and in social gathering. He took the life of his victim, not with the savage mercy of the quick pistol or the silent knife, but he tortured her with the lingering process of strangulation, driving his cruel fingers deep into the tender flesh of her slender throat; and so flereely did he do his devil's work that the stigma of his crime remained until the discovery of the corpse, clearly discernible as the cause of death, not only by the expert surgical examiner, but by the most unlearned observer. What other, if any, wrong was done her before her soul exhaled and went to heaven we do not know.

"The advancement of natural decom position baffled investigation and made knowledge impossible, but we know that either living or dying, or dead, she was taken by him up the steep stairs of the steeple of the belfry of the church, where he supported the poor body with blocks of wood, and left it there to rot in nakedness and wither in the cool western wind that swept through the lofty spire. He hid the remains where he believed they would remain undiscovered and receive no promise of Christian burial. There he left her. She was dead, but he fancied himself safe from detection and expos-The heaven-pointing spire of the Redeemer's church was his only confibelfry floor, laid the thin arms across many children.

the undeveloped bosom, propped the head and straightened the meager body SUPREME AUTHORITY in the dust. Not a human body had beheld his retreat from the awful presence of the death which was his work, and the secret was safely locked in The Status of Indian Agents ernment is about to take steps to annul Straightening Out Some of his own breast. There lay the speechless and untestifying corpse, and what is now to give him fear? It had been nothing but a girl after all, and conold story to which he could help give currency-the same old story of a vanished girl, a distracted family, an ineffective and perfunctory search among the houses of ill-repute, a reluctant conclusion that this little one, like others of Eve's daughters, had gone to

ing indignation." ing the life of an innocent girl, he stands defeated at every point. said, could remain cool, impassive and almost defiant when accused of such a

"Gentlemen," continued Mr. Barnes, 'such a man is of such rare quality that if confronted at last with the proofs of his crime, whose recital has shocked all civilization, he could and he would, as he has done, sneeringly smile in the awful presence of the relics of his victim, torn by his hands neither passion nor emotion, neither nate child he had brought to a premature grave. Such a man could well lie a pretended trust in the Jehovah whom he had defied, and play the saint with placency while his counsel struggled to weave a web of suspicion and accusation around one whom he knew to be disreputable and incompetent men are innocent, and from the beginning to the end of his trial for the highest crime known to law, remain the same nerveless, impassive, smiling villain.

'I listened to the opening statement

of the defense with an absorbing interest. I was dissappointed in but little. The learned counsel who opened the case for the defendant invoked the spirit of Blanche Lamont and voiced like the counsel, I have felt her preser. I fill again that slender robe before me with her girlish form. Above it I see her sweet face, haloed by its wealth of hair, her gentle eyes, her smiling mouth dropping kindly words, bubbling up from the unpolluted depths of a pure heart. I have seen her as she was when the defendant addressed her at the door of the normal school. I have so seen her every day; I see her now. There she stands behind him at this hour, not praying for vengeance for her deep and remediless wrong; not for the law's retribution upon her murderer; but with uplifted hands and streaming eyes, praying that God will not put into your hearts, by the mockery of a verdict of not guilty, to set free this monster to prey upon gentle souls, pollute with vile hands the unsullied snow of other children, and defy anew that God of justice whose ministers you arer"

He closed with an appeal to the jury to avenge the murder of Blanche Lamont, protect the women and girls of the state by returning a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, with the penalty of death.

Need of Fortifications. Port Townsend, Nov. 1 .- Senator Squire addressed a representative body of citizens tonight on the necessity of fortifications for Puget sound, dwelling particularly upon the magnificent offensive and defensive fortifications maintained at Esquimault, where a British fleet of warships is always harbored. He said that the present defenseless condition of Puget sound was a constant temptation to the nations of Europe, who were constantly seeking to override the Monroe doctrine. The nation's lawmaker's, he said, had never visited the Northwest, and are of wealth lying exposed to the mercy of an invading foe. He favors the rapid erection of coast defenses.

The Chinese War Indemnity.

London, Nov. 1 .- Over £8,000,000 will be transferred to Japan by the Bank of England as the first payment of the Chinese indemnity. thought probable that £3,000,000 will be used immediately to pay debts incurred for ships and war material. is expected that the balance will be wanted soon in payment for more ships and munitions already ordered. It is not considered likely that any gold will be taken out of the banks, but it is dam removed. This work is being possible some gold will be used to purchase silver.

Only Suspension for Miss Avres. Seattle, Nov. 1. - The board of edudant and accomplice. No human eye cation today beat a retreat in the case had witnessed his assault upon Blanche of Miss Hortense Ayres, who was dis-No ear had heard her first missed last week for whipping a pupil shriek of terror and amazement as this in the Cascade school by changing the monster fell upon her, or the last sentence of dismissal into two weeks' stifled moan of dying agony that pre- suspension. It has become evident ceded the awful silence of her final that some of the bruises on the boy's rest. None, save the God whom he face resulted from a street fight, and feared not, had seen him as he extend- the board changed its decision in reed the naked and slender form on the sponse to an appeal from the parents of

and Police.

cerning her there would be the same A DECISION BY JUDGE SHIRAS

The Agents Have All the Authority of the Government and Can Punish Those Who Resist Them.

Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 31.-Judge Shiher moral destruction; a picture turned ras has rendered an importat decision to the wall, a name never spoken and in the case of the Flournoy Land Comoblivion, personal and social, for poor pany against the Indians. Sheriff Blanche Lamont. And he was right Mullen, of Thurston county, had been for the moment. The wrath of God, indicted for assaulting and obstructing whose law he had violated, and whose Indian police while engaged, by order temple he had desecrated, seemed to of Agent Beck, in ejecting the tenants slumber. The murderer went his of the land company from Winnebago guilty way with his undivulged crime, reservation. The court refused to quash unscathed and unwhipped of justice, the indictment. William Garrett and while his victim lay in the spire that J. F. Myers were arrested for assaultpoints its slender finger to the sky as ing the Indian police in the discharge if reproaching its ruler for his unmov- of a similar duty. They sought release on habeas corpus. The writ was Mr. Barnes related the circumstances refused. The judge considered the in connection with the discovery of two cases almost identical, and held Miss Lamont's body, and from the that the Indian agent was an officer of facts drew the conclusion that she was the United States, and that the Indian murdered by some member of the policemen, acting on his orders, could church who had keys to the building, exercise all the authority of the govand in whom she had confidence. The ernment, and parties resisting their murderer must also have been a man authority should be punished as prowhose cunning was sufficient to enable vided. Though the Indians had taken him to stifle the natural feeling of land in severalty, the title still retimidity which always accompanies in- mained in the United States, and the nocence and induce her to go alone agent had authority to enforce his orwith him to the darkened church in ders and evict trespassing tenants. which they worshiped on Sunday. Until this decision is reversed or modi-Such a man, he said, is Theodore Dur- fied, the authority of the Indian agent rant. Only a monster capable of tak- is supreme, and the land company

PENSION REPORT.

Commissioner Lochren Makes Several Pointed Suggestions.

Washington, Oct. 31.-Commissioner Lochren, of the pension office, in his annual report, makes several pointed suggestions. Under the head of "Patriotim and Pensions," he says:

"Those men who enlisted early and from her stiffening body, and exhibit fought the battles of the war were not ing the sitting of Ecumenical council these allotted tracts sold, and in sixty moved by mercenary considerations, sympathy nor regret for the unfortu- and unless actually disabled, did not show the haste in applying for pensions correspondent of that journal at the reserving only a small portion for the manifested by those who enlisted near- headquarters of the king of Prussia in use of themselves. These tracts are in jail awaiting his trial for murder er the close of the war for large boun- the Franco-German war. He has writ- sold in tracts of 80, 40, 20, 10 and 5 and clothe his villainy with a mask of ties and did little actual service, and ten a number of political and controwho are now the noisiest in clamoring versial works and in 1883, in conjuncfor more pensions. As compared with tion with W. J. Courthope, he founded verses and phrases stolen from boly this latter class, the real soldiers have the National Review. The work which writ. He could listen with grim com- been modest in preferring claims for last brought him into prominence was pensions."

The commissioner says that many That I Love." engaged as pension attorneys, and he suggests that none but reputable men measurably stopped frauds.

age of claimants have made it quite successful, the jury returning a verdict difficult in many cases lately to obtain of guilty. Notice of appeal was given, proof sufficient for the granting of pen- and, pending it, Mr. Moreno was resions.

The commissioner recommends that some provision be made for the maintenance of clerks in his bureau who have been long in the service and have ple correspondent of the Times says: become practically disabled. The re- A threatening placard was posted in port shows:

Number of pensioners June 30, 1894. 969.544; new pensioners added during 29,816; dropped for cause, 15,157; net increase during the year, 860; claims allowed during the year, 29,-185; denied, 103,355; cases pending, 552,210. The appropriation for the year was \$150,000,000, and there was paid retirement, Sir Philip Currie, the presout during the year \$137,807,337. The ent ambassador at Constantinople, estimate for pensions for 1897 is as follows:

Pension payments, \$140,000,000; surgeon fees, \$800,000; clerk hire at everybody to yield their arms is to be agencies, \$450,000; other expenses, \$200,000. The commissioner commends the vigor of the department of justice and of the pension examiners in the persecution of dishonest attorneys and others who were engaged in pension frauds. Two hundred and ninetyfour persons were convicted during the year for frauds.

Danger of Statehood.

Salt Lake, Oct. 31.—The Tribune prints a column article today, stating that circulars are beings sent out from Ogden to all voters in the territory for the purpose of defeating statehood. The cicrular is headed: "The Danger of Statehood." It deals largely in statistics, showing the cost of running the unable to comprehend the vast amount state government, and closes by saying that statehood will add \$500,000 to the burden of the people. It is claimed that the circulars are sent out by Fred J. Kiesel, who was a Democratic member of the recent constitutional convention, and that a list of voters had been obtained from the records of the Utah commission.

> The Sound Drydock Completed. Tacoma, Oct. 31 .- The last piece of the structure of the government drydock at Port Orchard was put in place yesterday, and it is now ready to receive a ship as soon as the entrance channel is dredged out and the cofferpushed by the San Francisco Bridge Company, and on Saturday a new airpressure digger was fitted to the dredger. It was started Sunday and is working with great success.

Injunction Against My Lady Douglas are now looking for Lady Douglas.

MINERAL LANDS IN OREGON.

Steps to Annul Patents Recently Issued San Francisco, Oct. 30.-The gov-

a patent to mineral lands in Oregon, recently issued to the Southern Pacific railroad. Secretary Smith has requested the United States attorneygeneral to institute an action in the United States circuit court at Portland to that end. When the land grant company made its selections in the Roseburg district, a few months ago, protests were filed by about 200 individual citizens, but they were rejected on the same ground as the Benjamin protests from California, namely, that the specific character of each 40-acre subdivision was not set forth. There being no miners' association in Oreruling of the commissioner of the genwere issued to the railroad company. This was irregular, for one of the results of the campaign of the California Miners' Association has been the establishment of a rule that sixty days must elapse between the dismissal of protests and the issue of patents to land. It is on this ground, it is believed, that the action for annulment of the patent will be instituted by the government.

THE NEXT POET LAUREATE.

Alfred Austin Said to Have Been Chosen to Succeed Tennyson

London, Oct. 30.-The November number of the Bookman states that it learns on reliable authority that Alfred Austin has been appointed poet lau-

Alfred Austin, poet, critic and jour-1835. He took his degree at the uni-"The Season's Satire," appeared in benefit of the Indians. 1861. Since then he has published

A Publisher Sued for Libel. Washington, Oct. 31 .- The trial of be allowed to practice in pension cases. Caesar Moreno, charged with criminal-Dishonest attorneys have given much ly libeling Baron Fava, the Italian trouble by systematic criminal and ambassador, began in the district court fradulent practices. Pension payments, today. Baion Fava was accussed of the commissioner says, bring large being concerned in the importation of amounts of money into communities, padrones. The publisher of the paper and the fear that the conviction of in which the article appeared testified these attorneys will lessen the influx of that Moreno was the author of it. Corher thought by saying: 'Let him go money has shaped itself in popular respondence between Fava and the govfree; he harmed me not.' Gentlemen, rancor against the special examiners, ernment officers urging the suppression whose investigations have secured the of the padrone system was put in evience during the long and tedious days conviction of criminials. The specal dence, and the other testimony introof this trial. I have seen her as she examinations division will not require duced to show that the ambassador had was on the 3rd day of April last, as as much money as in the past, for the tried to kill the padrone system. The she left her school and her classes, reason that the vigorous prosecution of defense sought to prove that Fava and with her little burden of books and frauds and crimes has discouraged and not the United States government had The death of many witnesses and the was no malice, but this was not very leased on \$3,000 bail.

Fourteen Executed.

London, Oct. 29.—The Constantino the palace recently, addressed to the sultan. An inquiry incriminated fourteen members of the imperial the year, 39,185; dropped pensioners household. All of them were executed restored, 4,206; deaths during the year, the same day within the precincts of Yldiz. Thus the sultan's mind was relieved of a very great weight.

The Daily News publishes a rumor that Lord Dufferin will return to Constantinople as special envoy before his meanwhile taking his place at Paris.

A dispatch to the Daily News says the Turkish proclamation summoning enforced against the Armenians but not against the Turks.

Cuba Day at the Exposition.

Atlanta, Oct. 29 .- At a meeting of the directors of the cotton states and international exposition many directors, who were not present when a day was set aside for Cuba, brought up the matter again, and insisted that the exposition company should not take part in matters of international concern. After discussion, the day was postponed from November 6 to December 17. This is regarded as practically an indefinite postponement.

The Women Cannot Vote.

Columbia, O., Oct. 31.-The convention today voted down the woman suffrage amendment with a decisive vote of 121 to 26. George D. Tillman made a great speech declaring that by enfranchising women with a property qualification the white people would carry the elections by fair and honest methods and by no other way could they do it. He characterized the suffrage plan of Senator Tillman as a temporary fradulent makeshift.

Emperor of Corea

St. Petersburg, Oct. 30.-According to a dispatch from Seoul to the Novoe Vremaye, the king of Corea has chosen a queen, and has assumed the title of emperor. It is also stated that the heir apparent is being sent as an envoy to America and England with the object of getting him out of the country and preparing the way to the throne for a prince who stands in higher favor.

Reason for His Resignation

Washington, Oct. 31. - Minister Les Angeles, Oct. 30.—An injunction Broadhead's retirement from his post to restrain Lady Sholto Douglas from is understood to be voluntary. His appearing on the stage of the Burbank resignation was tendered to the presitheater with the Frawley company was dent about six weeks ago. The minisissued by Judge Van Dyke this morn- ter is advanced in years, and it is due ing. The papers were secured by to a desire to rest and to be able in the Lawyer Jones at the instance of the future to give his attention to private People's theater, of Oakland. Officers affairs that he retires from diplomatic

LAND OF THE INDIANS

the Various Tangles.

PUYALLUP RESERVATION CASE

In Due Time the Lands Will Be Sold, and the Indians Will Receive Their Money.

the way work is progressing at the and it is hoped that the commission

which were held in common by the Indians, consisted of 598 acres. It has signed George Reynolds, is as follows: been platted into lots, there being some reservations for school purposes and cemetery and railroad grounds. Tak- Cliff house. I write this so you need ing out what has been so reserved and have no inquest or identification. I also the reservations for streets and alleys, there are in lots 338 acres, making 3,600 lots. The appraised value Minnie Williams. I send you a stateof the lots is \$212,000, but as they are ment prepared for me to learn with sold by public sale the receipts may be five other men named Smythe, Dugan, nalist, was born near Leeds, May 30, larger than that sum. Already sales Stewart, Taylor and Harrington. I of lots aggregating \$32,210 have been object to take part in this matter beversity of London in 1859, and in 1857 made. The sales are for one-third was called to the bar of the inner tem- cash, and the balance in five years, if At the age of 18 he had a poem the purchaser does not elect to pay M. Thayer, Durrant's friend, in fixing published anonymously, called "Ran- sooner. The money is deposited in the up the plan. Smythe, Dugan and dolph." His first acknowledged verse treasury of the United States for the Stewart were to be witnesses in the

Besides the lands held in common many poetical productions and three there are 167 tracts of allotted lands. novels. He has written much for the Standard and Quarterly Review. Durtain the consent of the Indians to have these allotted tracts sold, and in sixty Smythe was to say Blanche Lamont per pound; Merced, 2c. novels. He has written much for the The commission is endeavoring to obof the Vatican, he represented the cases the allottees, or heirs of allottees. Standard at Rome, and he was special have given their consent to the sale, acres, if so desired by the purchasers. and sent it to Chief Crowley three The allottments were made to these

Indians in 1886, and there are now remaining only about half of the original clever, but very improbable. I am not quality; Eastern Oregon, 789%. allottees, for the mortality has been surprised Deuprey is sick. I should prose work entitled "The Garden very great. The commission has experienced a great deal of difficulty in Dugan and Stewart were to say they securing clear tiles through the heirs had been to Dr. Anthony's funeral in of the original allotees, and from year Oakland on Friday, April 5, and when to year this difficulty increases. It is returning saw Miss Lamont on the ferexpected, the report of the commmistry-boat, Dugan knowing her well. sion says, to have all the business closed up in time and have the lands dis- handkerchief with the initial "G," posed of, so that the funds may be invested for the benefit of the Indians, five other handkerchiefs, and Thayer and they will not in future be troubled with disputes over titles. None of the allotted lands can be sold for less than the appraised value, which has had the The bloody handkerchief was to be approval of the secretary of the inter-

The officials of the Indian office say that every effort will be made to fully protect the Indians, and also to dispose implicate Gibson. This is all I have lard, 5-pound pails, 8 4c; lis, 85c of the lands so that Tacoma may have got to say. Let Durrant tell the rest." the use and benefit of them for extensions which are needed

The Bannock Scare

Rawlins, Wyo., Oct. 29.-From troops returning from Jackson's Hole, it was learned that the United States marshal for Wyoming is now in Jackson's Hole for the purpose of arresting settlers who comprised the constable's posse that, in July last, killed and wounded several Indians, and precipitated the Bannock scare. It is believed the entire posse, that consisted of Constable Manning and twenty-six deputies, is to be arrested and brought before the United States court, which meets in Cheyenne early in November. The settlers have expressed their willingness to stand trial for killing the Indians who were arrested for violating Wyoming game laws, and it is be-

For Diplomatic Reasons. Detroit, Oct. 29.—Regarding the ad-

verse decision by the secretary of the new gunboats, Don M. Dickinson today "I think it is probable that if the

the dispatches state, it is not for puretration does not wish to do anything which might further disturb the diplomatic relations with Great Britain, which are already in an acute condition.

A Night Train to the Sound.

Seattle, Oct. 28.-It is learned on good authority that the Northern Pacific in a few weeks will put on a night train between this city and Portland, and that it is in early contemplation also to inaugurate a train service between Seattle and Tacoma which will reduce the time to one hour. The first train will be well patronized by the traveling public, and the reduction of Texas, for refusing to turn out an estime will force the competing steamers to do their utmost.

Armenians Take the Initiative. Constantinople, Oct. 29.-The governor of Bitlis has telegraphed the porte that armed Armenians attacked mosques when the Musseimans assembled for Friday's prayers. The latter were unarmed and were obliged to defend themselves with stones and sticks. The troops and gendarmes were ordered out to restore order. Many were killed and wounded on both sides.

Rose's Withdrawal Confirmed. Ryde, Isle of Wight, Oct. 30 .- The sailing committee of the Royal Victoria Yacht Club met here this afternoon

and formulated a letter to the New York Yacht Club, confirming the letter of C. D. Rose, withdrawing his challenge through the Royal Victoria Yacht Club for the America's cap. W. Halford, a member of the commithad been hinted at in today's meeting. | tion. A PLOT EXPOSED

Alleged Conspiracy to Free Durrant and

with the trial of Theodore Durrant came to light today through a letter ficient for the demand. addressed to the coroner. The police provisions are without change some time, and that the knowledge of that plot had been discovered, and led Attorney Deuprey, for the defense, to abandon the case and take to his bed, and Valley, 51½ c per bushel, Shipsa leaving the closing management of the leaving the closing management of the dispatch. alleged, did not know of the plot. Six Washington, Oct. 30 .- The Indian men are, according to the story, imoffice feels very much encouraged at plicated as those who were to swear to false statements prepared for them, it Payallup reservation, near Tacoma, is alleged, by the defense. The police say the plan was conceived entirely by gon, no appeal was taken from the now endeavoring to settle the difficulties which have always existed his direction by the aid of one of his there will succeed. Reports of the counsel. The plan was to make such the protestants of dismissal, the patents operations of the commission are received from time to time by the com- Durrant and at the same time implimissioner of Indian affairs, and the incate Rev. J. George Gibson in the \$5.50. dications are that in time the lands murder of both Blanche Lamont and may be sold and the Indians receive Minnie Williams. One of these alleged their money. The commission has witnesses, who, by his letter to the just sent to the commissioner a plat of coroner, confesses his part in the plot, the reservation lands, and has asked said he and others were ready to per cental. that the secretary of the interior ap- manufacture an alibi, but when they prove it, and give authority to have it were asked to implicate Gibson they filed as the Indian addition to Tacoma. weakened and gave a hint to the police This reservation of unallotted lands, which spoiled the whole plan.

A letter dated October 27, "Tonight I will seek rest from all worldly cares in these waters near the was some months ago to be a witness quail, \$1.25 per dozen in the Durrant trial for the murder of cause of the part of the plan to implicate Preacher Gibson. I assisted E.

Lamont case, and Taylor, Harrington and I were to help him out in the Williams case. I tried to get statewas at his house, near Haywards, until Friday, April 5, when she left for home. The strap with Blanche Lamont's name I marked myself with her name. I cut off the end of the strap months ago with other matter. Dickinson's explanation about the strap is think Dickinson would be sick, too, pound. The plan was also to produce a bloody 14@15c; peanuts, raw, fanc, back the plan was also to produce a bloody roasted, 10c; hickory nuts, 8@10c; market back the plan was also to produce a bloody roasted, 10c; hickory nuts, 8@10c; market back the plan was also to produce a bloody roasted, 10c; hickory nuts, 8@10c; market back the plan was also to produce a bloody 14@15c; peanuts, raw, fancy, back the plan was also to produce a bloody 14.00 peanuts, raw, fancy, back the plan was also to produce a bloody 14.00 peanuts, raw, fancy, back the plan was also to produce a bloody 14.00 peanuts, raw, fancy, back the plan was also to produce a bloody 14.00 peanuts, raw, fancy, back the plan was also to produce a bloody 14.00 peanuts, raw, fancy, back the plan was also to produce a bloody 10c; market back the plan was also to produce a bl meaning Gibson, upon it. I lettered coanuts, 90c per dozen. sent them by messenger to Gibson, with a card written by Smythe, saying, 'From four little infant-class girls." offered as having been found in the lot back of the church on Sunday, April 14, but it never was delivered because we declined to take part in the plot to

"(Signed), George Reynolds." Accompanying the letter was a per pound, 13@14c; dry kip and call lengthy statement, comprising the pur- skin, 11@13c; cuil-, 3c less; altel, 60 ported bogus testimony which Reynolds | ibs and over, 8@8) c; 50 to 60 lls, 18 was to learn before going on the witness stand. The statement was typewritten and backed in legal form. The statement was not written by the lings, 10 also; short wool, 2083; writer of the letter, because in the medium, 30@40c; long wool, 50@76c. type-written statement several corrections had been made with a pen in handwriting which differed from that in Reynold's letter. Coroner Hawkins "I have turned this letter over to the police for investigation. looks like a hoax, but it is possible that Durrant or some one connected with the defense may have prepared the story as Reynolds says. The statement which accompanied the letter shows careful work, and was no doubt prepared by some one who had made a lieved there will be no trouble in could prove what is stated in the docuclose study of the case. If Durrant ment he would go forth as a free

The Nicaragua Canal.

London, Oct. 29 .- The Times this navy on the bid of the Detroit Dry morning has an article on the Nicara-Dock Company for building two of the guan canal from a correspondent lately there, who says it is clear the project cannot be carried through as a private undertaking, but that it must be under secretary of the navy has decided, as the auspicies of some strong government, which, without doubt, must be ly diplomatic reasons, and not upon the United States. He is convinced the merits of the case. The administ the cost will be nearer £20,000,000. It is useless to suppose, he adds, that the government of the states of Central America will be able to supply the necessary labor. The laborers, he thinks will undoubtedly be negroes, the West Indies negro labor being far superior to the Chinese.

> The Dalias Artillery Company. Dallas, Tex., Oct. 30 .- It was announced today in local military circles that nearly all the members of the Dallas artillery company are to be court-martialed or dismissed in disgrace from the military service in cort to the governor at the opening of the state fair. The trouble is a sequel to Governor Culberson's course in preventing the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight.

> > Colorado's Game Laws.

Denver, Oct. 28,-Department Commander Wheaton has promised Governor McIntyre that if any of the Northern Utes, who may be accused of violating the laws of Colorado, are arrested upon their return to their reservations, they will be brought back to Colorado for trial. The intention is to carry the case through all of the courts to the supreme court of the state, and then to the United States supreme

English Government Dissatisfied, London, Oct. 30 .- The Daily News says it hears Lord Salisbury is dissatisfied with the sultan's verbal guarantee of Armenian reforms, and that the tee, said that no plans for next season ropean conference on the Turkish quesPORTLAND MARKETS.

Trade in the produce district stinues quite brisk, with a plential ply of fruit and vegetables and a demand. Game is scarce and pro-demand. Game is scarce and pro-are firmer. The scarcity of eggs as-tinues. The supply of poultry is a San Francisco, Oct. 30 .- A strange story of an alleged plot in connection

The local wheat market is fairly at tive and unchanged, export value is

Produce Market.

FLOUR-Portland, Salem, Cascadiant Dayton, are quoted at \$2.70 per lam; Golddrop, \$2.80; Snowllake, \$2.70; Sec. ton county, \$2.70; graham, \$2.35; mg fine, \$2.25. OATS-Good white are quoted weak 22c; milling, 28:6:30c; gray, 1933 Rolled oats are quoted as follows:

\$4.25@5.25; barrels, \$4.50 \$7.00; HAY - Timothy, \$8.50 per ton; the

BARLEY-Feed barley, \$11.50 per to brewing, nominal. Millsturrs — Bran, \$10.50; there, \$12.50; middlings, \$15@10; rye, 7000. BUTTER-Fancy creamery is quoted

BUTTER—Falley creamery is quest a 223/5c; fairey dairy, 173/2c; fair to pot 15c; common, 10c per pound.

POTATORS—New Oregon, 35/6/6c pe Onions-Oregon, 50@75c per cent. Pourray—Chickens, old, \$2,25 per dead dozen; young, \$1.50 d 2.25 per dead ducks, \$3.00 d 4.00; geese, \$6.0 d a

turkeys, live, 10c per pound; day GAME—Pheasants, \$2.50; Chine g.

Eggs-Oregon, are quoted 22 dozen. CHEESE - Oregon full cream, is per pound; half cream, 5@7c; skin 4 5c; Young America, 9@10c higher. OREGON VEGETABLES-Cabbase, 14 per lb; radishes, 10c per dozen bands; green onions, 10c per dozen; cucumba 75c@s1 per sack; canifiower, il ze dozen; tomatoes, 15 25c per bor; ar

6@8c per doz.

Thorical Fauir—California imag.
\$4.50@5.50; bananas, \$2.25@3.0 pe
bunch; Valencia late orange, \$3.00 pe 6@8c per doz. box ; Mediterranean sweets, \$2,50gta pineapples, \$4@5 per dozen.

FRESH FRUIT-Apples, good, \$1 per box; prunes, 25@40c; peaches, 25she per box; pears, fall, 50c@\$1.00; water melons, 75c@ \$1.00 per dozen; canioupes, \$1.00@1.25 per dozen; grape, & per box; New York Concords, per box; New York Concords, 50c per basket; Ilwaco cranberries, \$10.50 per

barrel; Cape Cod, \$10. Wool-Valley, 10@11c, according a Hors - Choice, Oregon 6864c m

NUTS - Almonds, soft shell, salk per pound; paper shell, 12/2@14c; as California walnuts, soft shell 11@125c; standard wainuts, 1058lic Italian chesnuts, 12/2/614c; pean, 13/6/16c; Brazils, 12/2/613c; hibera.

PROVISIONS-Eastern hams, medica 113 @12c per pound; hams, pers 8 2 @9c; breakfast bacon 11 @1: short clear sides, 85,69c; dry a sides, 75,68c; dried beef hamt! @13c; lard, compound, in tins, 3 lard, pure, in tins, 95 @10c; pige's, 80s, \$3.50; pige' feet, 40s, \$3.5; in \$1.25. Oregon smoked hams, 12 pt pound; pickled hams, 8½c; boneist hams, 10e; bacon, 9e; dry sait side, &;

50s, 814c; tierces, 8c. HIDES, -Dry hides, butcher, soud, 75c; 40 and 50, 60c7c; kip and ves skins, 10 to 30 lbs, 5@6c; calfskin, send, 3 to 10 lbs, 6@9c; green, unsalted, it less; culls, 1@2c less; sheepskins, the

Merchandise Market.

Salmon. - Columbia, river No. 1, tala \$1.25@1.60; No. 2, talls, \$2.25@18; fancy, No. 1, flats, \$1.75@1.85; Assia, No. 1, talls, \$1.20@1.30; No. 2, talls, \$1. It SUGAR-Golden C, 41/c; extra C, 4/4

powdered, 6c per pound; 4c per possi discount on all grades for prompt cast half barrels, ac more than bares maple sugar, 15 & 16c per pound. COFFEE - Costa Rica, 22/8 23 4c; Ria 3 @22c; Salvador, 21@21]ge; Meda 29@31c; Padang Java, 30c; Palembas Java, 26@28c; Lahat Java, 23@26; A buckle's Mokaska and Lion, \$22.80 per 100-pound case; Columbia, \$21.80 ps

dry granulated, 514c; cube crushel as

100-pound case. COAL-Steady; domestic, \$5.00g.2 per ton; foreign, \$8.50@11.00.

BEANS—Small white, No. 1, 3: per

bound; butter, Sc; bayon, 23e; Link CORDAGE-Manilla rope, 14-inch. juoted at 934c, and Sisal, Sc per pound. Bags .- Calcutta, 414c. RICE-Island, \$5@5.25 per set; le

pan, \$4.50@4.75. SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS

FLOUR-Net cash prices: Family ex-

tras, \$3.35@3.45 per barrel; base 6 tras, \$3.15@3.25; superfine, \$2.5822.

Barry-Feed, fair to good, 60; choice, 6134c; brewing, 673-2670.

Wheat-No. 1 shipping, 973- persi; choice, 983-c; milling, 971- cast. 614. choice, 9834c; milling, 974cest.024.

OATS — Milling, 75@55c; surps.

S5@90; fancy feed, 75@83; god; choice, 65@723c; poor to fait, 86
623c; gray, 65@75c.

Hops—Onetable at 5@7c per booms.

Hors—Quotable at 5@7c per possi-POTATORS - Sweets, 50cm \$1; banks, 50@65c. Onions-Good to choice Califera

40@50c. Wool Spring-6 to 8 months (ale eras, defective 6@8c; Northern, good a choice, 12@1334c; do defective, 8d ki choice, 12@1336e; do defective, new lambs and fall clips, 5 86 c; vada, spring, light and choice, pulle heavy, 6 a Sc. Fall-Short, trash; sa Joaquin plains, 3@5c; good do, Southern and coast, 4@6c; mountain

light and tree, 6@7c. BUTTER-Fancy creamery, seconds, 20 @21c; fancy dairy, 20021c air to choice, 16 d 17c.

Eggs-Ranch, 30 a 36c. pew. CHEESE—Faney, mild, new, 5886; common to good, 3005c; Young America, 5008c; Eastern, 110212c; Weel-

ern, 116t12 ge per pound. Meat Market.

BEEF—Gross, top steers, \$2,50@2.00;
fair to good steers, \$2,50@2.00;
\$2,00@2.25; dressed beef, 4@5% ps. Ment Market.

pound. MUTTON-Gross, best sheep. \$1.75@2.00; ewes, \$1.75; dressed ton, 4c per pound. VEAL—Dressed, small, 5@6c; large,

Hous—Gross, choice, heavy, 43,408 3.50; light and feeders, 43,0082.25; dressed, 43/4 per dressed, 4% e per pound.