## EUGENE CITY.....OREGON

NEWS OF THE

Interesting Collection of Current Events In Condensed Form From Both Continents.

Charles Cutten, night agent of the Adams Express Company at Orrville, O., disappeared with a \$10,000 pack-

The United States supreme court has affirmed the decision of Judge Bellinger, of the circuit court, upholding the mortgage tax law of Oregon, passed October 28, 1892.

Joseph Hoye, a Chicago plumber, who committed suicide by shooting himself, is the third of three brothers to meet such a fate. It seems to be a case of family mania for self-destruc-

The Pacific cable bill has been agreed to in the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce. It provides for the construction of a cable from San Francisco to the Hawaiian

Representative Tongue, of Oregon, is trying to arrange to have the veterans of the Indian war taken at soldiers' homes under the same regulations as are the veterans of the Mexican and the late war.

Advices from the Orient, brought by the steamship Empress of India, which has arrived in Vancouver, B. C., tell of the almost complete destruction of Manila, Philippine islands, by fire. Five million dollars' worth of property was destroyed.

There has been a heavy fall in stocks of all kinds in London in consequence of rumors from China, West Africa, Spain and America, with rumbling thunder all around the sky. There are signs of alarm in every section of the stock list, American securities showing the greatest weakness. Nothing short of a miracle can preserve the peace of the world, it is believed among British statesmen and politicians, wires the New York World's London correspondent. Not since the Napoleonic wars has danger threatened from so many quarters.

In case of war between Spain and the United States, England, it is said, will at least lend us her moral support.

The Washington Post says Mary Elen Lease, of Kansas, will speak in Oregon during the coming state elec-

A London dispatch to a New York paper says that in an emergency Paris would supply Spain with money to carry on a war with the United States.

The navy department will send the they were straining every nerve to imdispatch boat Fern to Cuba with pro- prove that part of the defense of the visions for the starving people. It country confided to their care. was at first intended to send the cruiser Montgomery.

A dispatch to the London Mail from Hong Kong says that a fresh rebellion has broken in the Philippines, and that 53 Spanish soldiers have been killed. No further details are known at Hong Kong.

The Royal Canadian dragoons of Winnipeg have been ordered to prepare to move to the Yukon. They will form a part of the military expedition which the federal government contemplate sending to that part of the do-

Recent heavy contracts for Los Anreles petroleum made by producers at Los Angeles with San Francisco have encouraged the development of the oil fields there. Several wells have been put down since the first of the month and others are being sunk.

A Teheran dispatch says: The gov-Persian Beluchistan. There were serious riots at Hammadan, February 22, benefit. due to a quarrel between partisans of rival priests, during which 27 priests noticed that the telegraph wires had

from Brown's Park, on the Colorado-Wyoming boundary line, that three members of the "Robbers' Roost" band of outlaws, who last week murdered lynched by a posse of Herr's friends, and some of Sheriff Edgar's deputies.

The British sealers Anoka and Santiago, from Victoria, bound south, put into Monterey, Cal., to avoid a storm at sea. While five miles off Point Sur light on Saturday the Anoka lost two boats, containing four men, in a dense fog, and turned north to find them. Both boats landed safely near Point

He fell, and, when called upon to surbeing implicated in the murder of Dan tion of his bravery in that battle. Calland, a Tekoa rancher, and was being followed by a mob of men claiming to be deputy sheriffs from Whitman be ever knew was drowned in a vat of county.

Three Italian laborers were killed by a dirt cart which fell upon them while they were at work in the new East river bridge.

The Russian demands upon China the Japanese legation in Pekin, and the is pending. Japanese minister has had several interviews with officials of the Chinese foreign office, urging the rejection of the Russian demands. In addition, it jectile companies today placed orders is reported that Japan has threatened with the Davis & Egan Company, of to take vigorous action if the demands this city, to rush work on several large of Russia are conceded.

The manager of the Dittmar Powder Co., of New York states that last November he sold General Weyler a large quantity of powerful explosives and been blown clear from the ship, says cable coils. It is inferred that Weyler the Havana correspondent of the wished to use the articles in the con- Herald. The turret now lies turned struction of a dynamite mine.

A London Times dispatch from Odessa says troops and war material are going to the far East with such haste that the Russian volunteer fleet will not suffice. The government, therefore, has chartered some French house in Chicago in being the habitasteamers, the first of which will start tion of nearly one half of the Jews in with 2,000 men.

TWO NEW WARSHIPS.

Governmen Buys Those Building in

England for Brazil. Washington, March 14 .- Hoping for the best and prepared for the worst about represents the situation in the war and navy departments these days. The officials still profess confidence that there is to be a peaceful outcome of the present threatening differences, but, meanwhile, prepare with screnity to meet their duty, if events shape themselves otherwise.

It now seems probable that the Bratilian cruisers which have been several times reported as having been sold to Spain, will become the property of the United States government, negotiations for their purchase having been opened in England. Other than these vessels, the government has no warships in sight for immediate purchase, according to department officials at Washing-

The most important and significant developments of the day were the decision of the house naval committee to place in the naval appropriation bill a provision for three new battle-ships, and a conclusion, on the part of the secretary of war, to issue tomorrow morning an order creating a new military department, including within its confines that part of the country which would be in all likelihood nearest the field of hostilities in case it would come to that. The order will cause a com motion in the South.

New Military Department. The present department of Texas is abolished, and the headquarters, which have been at San Antonio, Tex., for so many years, are abandoned. In place of the old department is created a new one, the department of the South. General Graham, at present commander of the department of Texas, will com-mand the new department. This department will include the states of South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas. All of the states, save the last, are at present attached to the department of the East, under command of General Merritt, of New York. It is said at the department that General Merritt is fully compensated for the strength of the command which has been taken from him, by the addition to his forces of the two regiments of artillery now recruiting.

Headquarters of the new department of the South will be at Atlanta, chosen because of its fine strategic value and its excellent railroad connections. At present, the government has no accommodations in Atlanta for the headquarters of the department, so it will be obliged to hire the most available boildings.

General Wilson, chief of engineers, who has been in Florida, is expected back tomorrow to report to Secretary Alger on the progress of the fortification work in that section of the country and probably especially as to the defense of Tortugas.

For the first time today the officials of the war department admitted that

The immediate purchase of a large number of rapid-firing guns for the sea coast defenses has been authorized by Secretary of War Alger. So urgent is the necessity for prompt action in this matter deemed that the allotment of the \$50,000,000 carried by the Cannon defense bill will not be awaited before making the purchases. Orders have been given to the various arsenals and armories controlled by the government to increase their working forces to their fullest extent in order to expedite the completion of existing projects.

PROCTOR SAW A SKIRMISH.

How the Spaniards Are Crushing the Rebellion

New York, March 14 .- A Herald dis patch from Key West says: Senator Proctor and Colonel Parker give a most graphic and amusing description of a skirmish between a company of Spanish cavalry and a handful of insurgents ernor of the province of Kerman routed which took place while they were on a the insurgents at several points in train near Matanzas and which was nudoubtedly prepared for their special

Before they reached the station they been cut, and some slight obstructions News was brought in to Salt Lake placed upon the track. On a hill in the distance they could see the silhouette of a dozen insurgents outlined against the sky. In the valley the Spanish cavalry had started toward Stockman Herr, had been captured and them, but they were brought to a sudden halt by the bullets from the enemy, The Spanish halted and formed a hollow square, while the officers found safety behind some convenient trees, Meanwhile the insurgents called for a truce and withdrew into the dense woods and the Spaniards returned to the station in time to meet the train and receive the congratulations of the commander of the district.

All this byplay struck Senator Proctor as most amusing war factics. An An unknown man was shot in the old Confederate veteran who accomleg by a mob near Princeton, Idaho. panied the party asked the Spanish officer why he had not given chase to render, fired a bullet into his left the insurgents. His reply was that breast, missing the heart, and then, there were more than a thousand beplacing the revolver to the right side hind the hills. The story is told that of his head, just above the ear, blew each member of that cavalry has alhis brains out. He was suspected of ready received a medal in commemora-

A Kentuckian says the luckiest man

A Triple Alliance.

London, March 12 .- The New York correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says: "I have it on the highest authorhave caused the greatest excitement at Britain, the United States and Japan ity that a triple alliance between Great

> Projectile Machine Makers Busy. Cincinnati, March 12.-Eastern proprojectile machines.

Starboard Turret Gone New York, March 9 .- The starboard curret of the Maine is found to have on its side and sunk deep in the mud. its present position is regarded as one more proof of the tremendous force of the explosion exerted in the direction from the port to starboard.

Russia takes the lead of the Palmer the world.

## HE CALLS IT TREASON

Governor Leedy's Denunciation of Supreme Court.

A STARTLING PUBLIC ADDRESS nickels were coined, presumably be-

Special Session of Kansas Legislature Will Be Called to Pass Another Rate Law.

Topeka, Kan., March 14.-The Populist administration of the state of Kansas gave out a startling public address today, one bristling with severe criticism of the recent decision of the United States supreme court in the Nebraska maximum freight case. The address is significant in that Governor Leedy has already taken steps preliminary to calling the state legislature in special session, with the especial purpose of enacting a maximum freight rate law. While the address is given out over the signature of Governor Leedy, it had first been approved by Chief Justice Bosler, of the state supreme court and other prominent Populists. In giving the address to the reporters, Governor Leedy said:

'How long do you suppose a man can write treason like this without getting town of Folsom. into jail? You may not my signature to it and make it a signed statement, so that if anybody goes to jail it will be

The governor begins his address with the statement that for a year the press dispatches have said that the opinion in the Nebraska case would be adverse to the state. Then he says:

"The opinion has been handed down. and the Associated Press dispatches say that it is a clean victory for the railroads. On the contrary, it is an unclean victory in every respect of the case, showing that no matter how carefully the robes of justice are folded about the personnel of the supreme court, the robes can no longer conceal the cloven boof of official malfeasance and usurpation. As this decision was can be dumped direct into barges on due a year ago, and as there was no the river. known reason for the delay, and as the decision as rendered confirms the statements made in the Associated Press dispatches from time to time, strong color is given to the suspicion that the press dispatches emanated from some person in touch with the court, and were for the purpose of feeling the pulse of the public and preparing it for the decision which goes much further in the direction of usurping power than any that has been made.'

The governor declares that the constitution of Nebraska gives the legislature power to establish maximum charges for transportation, and declared that the supreme court has tried to abrogate it. He challenges Justice Harlan's declaration that a corporation is a person under the 14th amendment

to the federal constitution, and says: "I deny it, and so will everybody but a corporation lawyer or a subservient judicial tool of corporate inter-

Governor Leedy then quotes the 14th amendment, and says:

"How, in the name of God, can this apply to corporations? Corporations are not born; they are created-made by law. They cannot be naturalized; they can take no oath of allegiance; only human beings can do that."

After more in the same strain, the governor, still referring to the 14th days ago that his illness could not have number of sensational stories during amendment, says:

"Who are the persons who shall not according to the provisions, be deprived of life, liberty or property, nor be denied equal legal protection? Everybody outside the asylum and off the indicial bench knows them to be-and to only be-natural persons. They are those who, beside the capacity to hold property and enjoy legal protection, also have life and can enjoy lib erty, and that means human beings."

Continuing, the governor quotes "Hare on American Constitutional and a decision by Justice Woods, of the United States circuit court, afterward supreme court justice, to prove that the 14th amendment does not refer to corporations, and declares that the Woods decision had been followed in California, Rhode Island and other states from 1870 to 1882, "when Justice Field and another federal justice of the peace named Sawyer decided the other way, and since then, whenever a corporation starts out to commit highway robbery, pick a man's pocket. or loot a public treasury, it diguises itself as a 'person' and goes out on its mission of plunder. Nobody but a slave or a knave will yield assent to the hideous distortion of meaning which Judge Harlan gives to the word 'person,' as used in the 14th amendment. and upon which he bottoms his infamous decision, and which shows to what depths of iniquity the supreme court of the United States has de-

"I desire," the governor said, "to quote some of the decisions of the supreme court of the United States before it went into partnership with Morgan, Vanderbilt, Gould & Co., in opposition to the opinion they hold in the Nebraska case." (Long decisions by

Marshall in 1860 are quoted), In conclusion, Governor Leedy states that his maximum rate bill will be presented to the Kansas legislature, in such shape that to decide against it the court must reverse its decision in the Nebraska case and he states that "if the court still pursues the corrupt and rotten practice that it has heretofore, by changing its decisions to suit the shifting interests of the railroad corporations," the remedy will be with the people in their dealings with the courts or in building railroads of their own.

In 1860 the manufactured product of St. Louis only amounted to \$27,000. Last year the output was about

Brazil Wants Satisfactivn. New York, March 14.-The Herald orrespondent at Rio de Janeiro states that news from the Amazoon just received in Rio de Janeiro gives details of an invasion of Brazilian territory on the Rio Branco by Englishmen from British Guiana, whose purpose it is to instigate a revolution. The Brazilian government will demand satisfaction.

To Admit War Materials Free. Washington, March 14. - Senator Chandler has introduced a bill providing for the remission of duties on war material that may be imported.

SPURIOUS COINS IN PRISON.

Two Convicts at Folsom Are Caught in Folsom, Cal., March 14 .- A counterfeiting plant has been discovered within the walls of the state prison here. The work was done in the engine-room by Convicts L. H. Coyne and

James Brown, and so far as known only cause no precious metals could be obtained. The men were discovered in the act

of making bogus coins by guards, who had been told of what was going on. When the officers rushed in Coyne and Brown leaped through a window and threw their dies and crucible into a canal leading to the American river.

A large number of well-executed 5cent pieces were found. They were made of Rabbitt metal, taken from the engines which run through the prison grounds to haul rock from the quarries. It is thought the dies were not made by the men who coined the money, but by some of the expert counterfeiters in

The impression prevails among the officers that it was the intention of the convicts to coin a great quantity of nickels and ship them out on the freight cars, where their friends on the outhave been found in circulation in the and Vienna, is particularly active in

A Yukon Coal Mine. Seattle, March 14.-Coal in paying quantities has been found on the Yu kon river about 1,000 miles above St. Michaels, and a company is about to be formed of Oregon and California capitalists to operate the mine. This discovery will be of vast importance to the river interests, as coal depots will be established at various points along the river so that steamers can depend on getting a supply of fuel at intervals of 300 or 400 miles. The promoters of the scheme say they can mine and transport coal to St. Michaels and intermediate points to sell at \$5 a ton, which they say will reduce present fuel bills over 300 per cent. The mine is close to the river bank, so that coal

A Terrible Fatality. St. Louis, March 14.-Mrs. Helen Schwann was burned to death vesterday while lighting a gasoline stove. She spilled some of the liquid on her woman was burned almost to a crisp children were all badly burned about the hands and face.

Favorable Report Ordered.

Washington, March 14 .- The house committee on public lands agreed to report favorably the Shafroth bill for states in which they are located. Untaken advantage of the act.

Rosecrans Dend.

Los Anceles March 14 -- General William Stark Rosecrans, the last great captain of the Union army, died at 7 ed, it having been realized several other than a tatal termination.

Union Pacific Has Wet the Cut.

from Omaha to Portland and Scattle, meeting the latest cut made by the is \$20 for first-class and \$10 for second- ence. class tickets.

can to get the rates restored.

Seattle or Tacoma.

Mr. Bryan's Opinion of It.

Atlanta, Ga., March 14.-Hon, W. J. Bryan spent a few hours at Atlanta last night on his way to Macon. When asked his opinion as regards the action of congress in placing \$20,000,000 at the president's disposal for the national defense, Mr. Bryan said:

"I am glad the house acted promptly and uonanimously. In fact, it might have been better to have made it a hundred millions to show the world that congress and American people, without regard to political differences, are ready to support the administration in any action necessary for the protection of the honor and welfare of the nation,

Does this appropriation mean war?" "Not necessarily," replied Mr. Bryan. Instead of leading to war, a prompt liberality at this time may lesson the probability of war, and in the end

Shot and Shell for Fort Warren. Boston, March 14 .- A consignment

Island head.

Bulgarian Editor Assassinated. Constantinople, March 14. - Yester day a Bulgarian visited M. Makedonsky, first minister of the Bulgarian farchete, and editor of the Bulgarian newspaper Novinou, and shot him, Makedonsky died today. The assailant, who escaped, had demanded the reason for the non-publication of a cer-

Detectives detailed to look after professional shoplifters always look to see if their suspects are wearing gloves.

Sold No Cruisers to Spain. London, March 9,-The manager of

the Vulcan shipbuilding works at Stettin, Germany, being asked by telegraph by the New York World's London correspondent if that firm had sold, as reported, three craisers to the Spanish government, wired this answer: 'We have sold no cruisers to the Spanish government."

Berlin, March 9. - The Tageblatt today publishes a dispatch from Peking today. saying China has agreed to lease Port Arthur and Talien Wan to Russia for 99 years.

WORK IN NAVY YARDS

Arming and Manning of the Merchant Marines.

MANY UNAUTHENTIC RUMORS

The United States Not Buying Any Cast-Off Warships-Large Number of Offers Have Been Made.

Washington, March 12.—The United States government has not acquired a single additional ship for the navy. This is true, not because of a lack of offers of warships from abroad, but simply for the reason that the navy department is proceeding with all the circumspection consistent with the needs of the case in looking to the prices and qualities of the craft. There is a strong disposition to refrain from being drawn into bad bargains and to insist on getting good vessels at prices not extortionate.

Secretary Long was in receipt of a large number of cable messages today, almost all relating to offers of ships. Lieutenant Niblock, United States nafor opium. Several of the bogus coins val attache at Berlin, St. Petersburg troops to retreat, leaving 293 dead men quest of vessels.

There was a good deal of talk during the day about the assignment of officers to the command of auxiliary cruisers, the St. Paul and St. Louis being especially mentioned, but Secretary Long set these stories at rest by the statement that he had not made any such assignments, and had only pro- Report of the Court of Inquiry Is Ex gressed to the point of informing himself of the possibility of getting the ships officered and manned quickly.

While looking after new ships, the officials of the navy department are not neglecting the other vessels, and arrangements have been made to make short repairs on several ships that in the ordinary course would not be treated in that fashion, but would require an entire overhauling. Thus, in the case of the Philadelphia, which has had five years hard work, and has never yet been gone over, as is the custom, orders have gone to Mare island to put her in shape for sea within 40 days. The Yorktown, at the same vards, is not to be touched at present, not only because she is in fair condition, but dress while filling the tank. When also because she is not so formidable a she struck a match to light the stove craft as to make it desirable to divert her dress ignited. Her screams at- to her repair the attention required tracted her three small children, who elsewhere. At Norfolk the Newark is ran to her and attempted to pull the set down for 30 days' repairs, and as a burning clothes off their mother. The good deal of work has already been done on her, she will be almost a new and died in terrible agony. The three ship when she comes out of the yards.

The big monitor Puritan has practically completed her repairs. monitor Comanche at Mare island has been examined and found in tolerable condition. At League island the Monitor Miantonomob and the ram Katabdin went into commission today, althe cession of all arid lands to the though they have not yet received their orders. They will probably remain in der the Carey act, 1 000,000 acres have the Delaware river or drop down into already been ceded to the respective the bay. The torpedo boat Dupont states, but none but Wyoming have sailed today from Mobile to attach herself again to the flotilla at Key West. Again it was said at the navy department that nothing had been heard from the court of inquiry at Havana, nor

from Admiral Sicard at Key West. o'clock this morning at his home near | The presence in the city of persons Redondo. His death was not unexpect- connected with steamship lines and steel works led to the circulation of a the day, but perhaps none of these had the persistency of one, which met summary denial at the hands of Assistant Omaha, March 14.-The Burling- Secretary Day, to the effect that Ministon and Union Pacific announce a rate ter Woodford had notified the Spanish government that the president intended sending to congress a message announc-Northern route. The face from here ing his recognition of Cuban independ-

A conference was held at 3 o'clock in Lomax, of the Union Pacific, and the office of Assistant Secretary Roose-Francis, of the Burlington, are both ep- velt, to map out plans for arming and posed to the war and are doing all they equipping merchant vessels as auxiliary cruisers. This work, it is said, could be accomplished readily within two Kansas City, March 14.-Effective weeks' time, as all materials, except today, the Rock Island announced a the guns, are on hand. The bureau of rate of \$20 second-class on all passenger ordnance could not supply all the guns business from Kansas City to either required within that short time, although some 70 or more are now available. The supply would be adequate, however, for the most effective auxiliary cruisers and the complete armament of the merchant ships could pro-

ceed as rapidly as possible thereafter. As to the question of manning the auxiliary fleet, the navy department feels that the most effective step would be to enlist in the United States naval service the present merchant crews of the several ships. These crews are thoroughly familiar with the vessels, and could handle them with far greater effect than green crews of bluejackets. The ships would be officered from the line of the navy. In the case of enlisting a merchanterew, the pay and allowances would be about equivalent to the rates paid ordinary sailors, and the time of enlistment would doubtless be limited to short periods.

In the Interest of Miles.

Washington, March 12.-The senate committee on military affairs today mended, decided to recommend the passage of a of ammunition, consisting of 24 tons bill authorizing the revival of the grade of shot and shell, came in today, and of lieutenant-general of the army. The is being transferred by lighter to Fort bill authorizes the president to nomi-Warren and the fortifications at Long nate any officer to this grade. The bill is in the interest of General Miles.

Russia Wants New Warships.

St. Petersburg, March 12.-The imperial ukase just issued orders the disbursement of 90,000,000 rubles as an extraordinary expenditure for the con- for use in the 32d grand encampment of struction of warships. It is added that the Grand Army of the Republic. no loan will be raised to provide the money.

Berlin, March 12 .- The news of the Russian naval credit was received here with equaimity as justifying the German naval bill

American Liners Seized.

Chicago, March 12,-A special to Commander Brownson is virtually in committee by Warren. command of the St. Paul, which sailed

Red hats were first worn by cardinals in the year 1245.

A CHANGE OF POLICY.

Spain Supports the Cuban Constitu

tionalists. Madrid, March 12.-Political and financial circles here realize that Spain is facing a grave problem. In view of the attitude of the United States, it is understool the Spanish government has changed its policy toward Cuba and has changed its poncy to-operation of the is now courting the co-operation of the Cuban constitutional party, urging the maintenance of volunteers and the pushing of the campaign against the insurgents, thus giving the military policy predominance over diplomacy. This change is due to the fact that, if the radical autonomists insisted open the disarming of the volunteers or incited the constitutionalists to disaffection, a conflict would supervene, "affording the United States an opportunity for armed intervention."

A Bitter Spanish Defeat.

New York, March 12,-The Cuban junta has received by messenger the official report of General Recios, who commanded the Cuban forces at the battle of Najasa on February 21 24. The details of the buttle show that while the Cubans were outnumbered four to one, for four days they held their position and caused the Spanish brought the news also brought a copy of a Spanish paper admitting the retreat of the Spanish soldiers, but asserting that the four days' fighting resulted in a victory for Spain.

WORK IS NEARLY DONE.

pected Soon

Key West, March 12.-The United States dispatch-boat Fern arrived this morning from Havana. The United States battle-ship Iowa has sailed for Tortugas. The torpedo-boat Porter also sailed for Tortugas with mail for the fleet.

The Fern brought the Maine's silverware and 60 rifles recovered from the wreck. Mr. Bissell, stenographer of the court of inquiry, was on board. Both of the stenographers have now left the court, and it has only a temporary clerk. This leads many to think that its work is practically done and that it will return to Key West shortly. The Fern coaled, and provisions for the starving Cubans were then put on board. She is scheduled to start for Matanzas tomorrow. The Marblehead will go from the

Tortugas to Tampa, where it is reported she will take on additional ammu-

The British cruiser Cordelia sailed

THE ALASKA BOUNDARY Said to Have Been Settled Favorably

New York, March 12 .- A dispatch to the Press from Ottawa says: Sir Julian Panncefote, British ambassador, has informed the Canadian ministry officially that he has arranged a convention with the United States whereby the Alaskan boundary dispute as been settled. Under the terms of the convention the British government has conceded the claim of the United States that three marine leagues should be measured from the shore of the mainland, and should proceed along the shores of the inlets, which are thus recognized as arms of the ocean. The contention of the British and of the Canadian governments was that the three-league limit should begin on the ocean side of the islands, and that the delimiting line should be run across the inlets, and not follow their shores. These inlets are numerous and extend into the mainland a great distance. and the decision, therefore, is of much importance to the United States. The United States has agreed to the British locating the boundary on the limit of Chilkoot and White passes, because by the Russian-British agreement of 1825 the line of demarcation was fixed as one running along the tops of the mountains. The decision, while not entirely unexpected by the Canadians, is regarded with disfavor. It was understood that the British government was irritated at the forwardness of the Canadian ministry, but it was not discharged by Judge Woodward, Dethought that the surrender would be so sweeping.

## YAQUINA ALONE FAVORED.

Adverse Report on Amendments to Sandry Civil Bill.

Washington, March 12 .- The senate committee on commerce has reported adversely on the proposed amendments to the sundry civil appropriation bill, providing for river and harbor improvements under the continuous contract system and for which estimates have not been made. This decision has the effect of roling out all the amendmenst of this character, except the one offered by Senator McBride, providing for the improvement of Yaquina harbor in Oregon and appropriating \$150,000 for this purpose, on which favorable action was recom-

Senator Frye, chairman of the committee, afterwards explained the adverse action to the senate, and the Gehrig, of Milton, Pa., and the little house amendments and various amend- fellow is William Davis, of St. Class. on the table.

In the House,

Washington, March 12 -In the house today a resolution was adopted directing the secretary of war to loan to the

The house then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the excepted senate amendments to the Indian bill. The pending question coming over from yesterday was the motion of Eddy (Rep. Minn.) to concur in the free home clause.

The Day in the Senate.

the Journal from Washington says: ward Everrett Hale, of Boston, deliv-The United States government has ered the invocation at the opening of virtually taken possession of the Amer- the senate today and subsequently was ican line of steamers, consisting of the accorded the nansual honor of an in-St. Louis, St. Paul, Paris and New formal reception on the floor of the sen-York. Federal officers will be put in atc. A joint resolution to revive the charge practically of each vessel as it grade of lientenant-general of the army arrives and sails from these shores, was reported from the military affairs Cockrell, Democrat, of Missouri, said

he desired it understood that the report was not unanimous. Without trans- Pacific will secure control of the Units acting any important leading. acting any important business, the sen-ate adjourned. Pacific, Denver & Gulf from Denver 2 ate adjourned.

FATAL FIRE IN DYEA

Five Lives Lost in the Burn.

Steamer Humboldt With 11 Passengen and Over \$200,000 in Gold Ay. rives From Dawson,

Seattle, March 11.—Passengers of the steamer Humboldt, which arrived here early this morning from Dyes an Skagway, bring the news that on the night of March 3 a fire occurred is Dyea, in which it is thought five persons perished. The fire broke out is the Every One's Home hotel, completely destroying the hotel and an adjaining saloon and dancehouse. Over a persons were sleeping in the hotel The bodies of Bert Meck, of Portland and Gus Keller, of Juneau, had been taken out. Keller was still alive, be he was not expected to live. The boil of an unknown woman had also been recovered. It was thought that the remains of two more men were in the roins. The fire occurred such a short time before the Humboldt left that place that full particulars could not be obtained.

The Humboldt brings 11 passengers from Dawson, and over \$200,000 a gold and drafts. The Dawson men an two brothers named Savage, Mr. Brandt, J. Solid, J. L. Pierce, William Perdue, E. J. McCormack, P. S. M. son, A. Bartlett, W. H. Kernan and

N. Peters. The last to leave Dawson were Perdue, Solid, Kiernan and Pierce, The left February 7, and made the tripen in 24 days. Very cold weather sa experienced. Mr. Solid, whose home is in Colfax, Wis., says that when he left Dawson there were between 30 and 40 cases of scurvy there. He could not tell how many were sick along the creeks. He knew of no deaths from the disease. Provisions at Dawson are now selling

at regular summer rates, and there's very little demand. Concerning the new strike made as Walker creek, near Big Salmon rive, Mr. Solid said that the first dirt paned out ran from 35 to 75 cents per pan. The pay streak has not been reached yet. Thirty two claims had

been located. Between Lake LeBarge and Lab Marsh many people were met, slowly working their goods down the river At the mouth of Sixty-Mile creek the met a man and his wife who had been 30 days coming from the Hootalinga river to Sixty-Mile.

LIAO TUNG INVADED.

Fifty Thousand Troops Are Advancing

Through the Territory. Vancouver, B. C., March 11.-0s ental advices say that the Liao Tm province is in great alarm over prospect of a Russian invasion and the capture by Russian troops of a us territory in China. The Chinese is habitants are fleeing from this proince, leaving their homes unprotest owing to the advance of 50,000 Russin troops through the territory, while the 5,000 Chinese troops left to guard that section of the country can scarcely &

kept from throwing down their arms The Russians who have crossed the border are divided into three corps, on corps containing 3,000 Siberian outlaws, who are given a chance to less the mines and serve in the army with

The latest dispatch states that its Russians are at Nuho, China, act the Amur river, where it is said falls lously rich gold mines are being worked and gold is stored. It is feared that some of the troops may seize the mines and gold in case of war breaking out, and work the mines with Siberia convicts, and that the others are pre-

ceeding to other points of importants. Jury Save Not Guilty.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 11.-The jury in the case of Sheriff Martin at deputies for shooting strikers at Lattmer, September 1, returned a verdit of not guilty. After the jury had bee trict Attorney Martin asked that the defendants be required to continue bail bond, as there are still 17 inditments for murder hanging over thes. and 38 for felonious wounding. It

bond was continued as requested. Attorney Martin says he has noth cided what to do with these cases. The prosecuting committed is said, will insist upon further pre-

Lancaster, Pa., March 11. - by Gehrig, of Milton, Pa., shot and per haps fatally wounded Will B. Davis of St. Clair, Pa., at Millersville, told, and then killed himself. A new written by Gehrig was found, explain

ing the tragedy. "We are dead in love with Alice Cummings and Annie Holmes, and not being able to see them and the keeping away from us, we resolved to take our lives. My name is Boy ments for rivers and harbors were laid We would like to be cremated, so noth

fy our parents at once." Davis says he knows nothing of the note, and denies that there was any compact to commit suicide.

Duties on the Alaska Trails. Seattle, March 11 .- J. W. Ivey, on lector of customs for the district of Alaska, has arrived in Seattle from! conference with the authorities # Washington. He has specific instructions of a significant nature relative to the collection of duties and the leestion of his men for that purpose of

passes and trails leading to the Yukon-Reported Sale of the Short Line. Omaha, March 11.-It is announced here on excellent authority that the Union Pacific is now in control of the Oregon Short Line Formal announce ment of the absorption by the pressicompany of this great branch is looked or this week. It is the first step is the rehabilitation of the overland est tem. The Oregon Short Line carried with it the control of the Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company. also announced here that the Union Julesburg.

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