## EVENTS OF THE DAY

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

A railroad boom has struck Hawaii. Six inches of snow fell at Macon,

Bechuanaland farmers are helping the Boers.

Boers fired plum pudding at Lady smith garrison.

Oregon woolgrowers expect to get 20 cents for their 1900 crop.

Vigilance of Americans prevented a projected uprising in Manila.

At New York Kid McCoy knocked out Peter Maher in five rounds.

Idaho produced \$2,500,000 in gold and \$6,103,000 in silver last year.

France and England may have trouble over Newfoundland fisheries. The United States may buy the

Danish West Indies for \$4,000,000. Irishmen offer sympathy, money, arms and soldiers to the Boers

One child received fatal and severapersons serious burns in a New York flat fire.

Nicholas, czar of Russia, has again issued an appeal for peace to the powers of the world. Multnomah's football team defeated

Stanford university's eleven at Portland; score, 11 to 6. Hilliard F. Johnson, a water-front

reporter in San Francisco, was drowned in a bathtub. Government officials say the cruiser

Montgomery was sent to Liberia to give the Black Republic assurance of More miles of new railroad have

been built during 1899 than in any previous year since 1890, when 5670 miles of line were completed. Since January 1, 1899, no less than 4,500 miles of track have been laid in the United States on 312 lines in 44 states and territories.

The torpedo-boat destroyer Goldsborough, built by a Portland, Or., firm, on her second contractor's trial covered eight miles in 15 minutes, which is at the rate of 33 miles an hour, against a 214-knot current. Steam was made without effort, and not a bearing was heated. The run was made in the Columbia river, near Kalama.

Boutelle will probably never return to congress

The Boer trenches at Colenso are bomb proof.

Pingree's tax resolution was defeated in the Michigan senate.

People are tired of Colombian war and ask for intervention.

British Columbia has sent a gold dis-

play to the Paris exposition.

If Delagoa bay is closed the Boers will raid Portuguese territory.

The Stahl & Straub failure in Phila delphia is a clear case of looting. An important witness against Sena-

tor Clark has confessed to perjury. Robert Cornelius, aged 20, was

found dead in the woods near Glencoe,

Fossiliferous remains of a gigantic sea serpent were found on the coast of

At its last meeting the cabinet discussed the agricultural possibilities in

Alaska. Buller's army on the Tugela has now reached the enoromus strength of 28.

000 men. A London dispatch says Russia long to seize Herat, and she only waits for England to occupy Delagoa bay.

C. G. Coad, of Dallas, Or., has been appointed assistant sergeant-at-arms in the United States senate.

A Colorado Midland passenger and a Santa Fe freight collided near Palmer Lake Colo. One fireman was killed and two engineers were hurt.

An English military expert asserts that the time has come for a change in the cabinet. He favors either a dictatorship or an all-powerful military

minister. Miss Florence Blythe - Hinckley, heiress to the Blythe millions, was quietly married in San Francisco to A. A. Moore, jr., deputy attorney-general of California.

Americans have captured another insurgent stronghold. Many rebels were killed, wounded and captured and an amount of ammunition and food taken. Their supposed impregnable position

was north of San Mateo. An Ottawa dispatch says that treason is talked openly among the French Canadians, and all of their members have retired from parliament. All the latent hostility to British rule has been aroused by Canada's action in sending

troops to the Transyaal. Mrs. Ezra Shoupe, near Saltillo, Pa. had a lively fight with a big buck, which she first wounded with a rifle

and then dispatched with a knife The Russian government has ordered all the rivers of the empire surveyed with a view to connecting all the im-

portant streams with canals. The Noah Webster association. which has been formed at Hartford, Conn., will raise funds for a library building in memory of the lexicogra-

A woman's society for the preven tion of cruelty to animals has been

formed in New Jersey. New York young women have formed classes for instruction in intelligent

foreign traveling. Andrew Carnegie has given away over \$9,000,000 for building and maintaining libraries, the list of his different beneficiaries numbering 50.

Edward Bates, librarian of the treas ury department at Washington, died at the home of his father, Dr. Julian Bates, of St. Louis, Mr. Bates was born about 25 years ago.

LATER NEWS.

Britishers lost a supply train through treachery at Colesburg.

Tagals are not friendly to Archbishop Chapelle, now at Manila The Stanford football team defeated

the all-Seattle players by a score of 28

The treasurer of Shelby county, Indiana, is short \$125,000. His books

The Paris high court has found M. De Roulede of guilty conspiracy under extenuating circumstances.

Hanna will be chairman of the next Republican national committee, be cause the president wishes it. Because he rode on a railway pass,

suit has been filed against a member of the Kentucky election board. President Cole, of the Globe National bank, of Boston, which recently failed

has returned and will stand trial. Peter S. Wilkes died at Stockton, Cal. He was a confederate congress

man during the last year of the war. The president has nominated General Bates, Young and McArthur for promotion. Bates is to succeed Lawton.

A native was found with all the symptoms of bubonic plague in Manila. Two deaths occurred in the house where he was sick.

As a result of campaigning in the Philippines 14 soldiers are insane at the Presidio in San Francisco. They will be sent to Washington.

The situation at Ladysmith is be coming horrible. Twenty deaths in one day were reported by General White. Entric fever and dysentery are prevalent.

The recent California earthquake caused inactive volcanoes in the desert to become active; made old gas wells at Yuma flow again and caused fissures in the ground.

Trunk lines have all advanced freight rates. Merchants have filed protests saying that the new tariff will drive business away from New York, shippers taking advantage of shorter hault to New Orleans and other ports.

Both houses of congress are after Secretary Gage The legislators desire to know by what right the treasurer increased deposits of government funds in New York banks during the recent financial flurry there and correspondence in the matter is asked. On her recent trip the steamer Aus-

tralia would not accept steerage passengers at Honolulu on account of the plague scare. One death occurred on December 22, and two Chinese were found dead on Christmas day. These fatalities started the plague scare again.

Colonel Pitcher won in a skirmish with the Boers near the scene of Methuen's defeat.

The gold yield for 1899 in New South Wales was 509,418 ounces, an increase of 168,925 ounces over 1898. The battleship Wisconsin will have

the heaviest battery in the navy. The boat will have her trial trip soon. South Dakota Christian Scientists

are opposed to vaccination and will take the question into the courts, Twenty-five thousand Pittsburg laborers were advanced from 5 to 10 per cent and in some cases even a greater

percentage In St. Louis the electric lights in parks, public buildings and alleys are

been renewed. A.German steamship company refused to take back contract-labor emigrants and the captain was arrested at

Booker T. Washington, the prominent colored man, says the Negro's only salvation is to make himself use-

ful and keep pace with the times. At Colesburg General French was opposed by from 5,000 to 7,000 Boers.

The British losses were slight, while Boers are said to have lost heavily. A horrible murder occurred near Rosser, Ala. A woman was cut to

pieces and the remains were partially burned. An old negress is suspected. Secretary Hay announces that favorable replies have been received from England, Germany, France, Russia and Japan to an open door policy in

China. Secretary Root has taken measures to break the corner in hemp. He has had many complants and has instructed Otis to open Southern Luzon ports

Senator Harrell, of Kentucky, says Whallen tried to buy his vote against Goebel. Harrell wanted \$5,000, but received only \$4,500 and now charges hills around Colesbury. The Boers bribery.

Secretary Root has directed the establishment of a government line of steamships connecting San Francisco, Honolulu and Manila, similar to that running between New York, Cuba and Porto Rico points.

The last link in the great waterway connecting the great lakes with the gulf has been completed. Water has been turned into Chicago's big canal, which took seven years to build, at a cost of \$33,000,000. The primary purpose is to drain Chicago, but its possiilities are great.

According to the Montreal Herald, Canada never before was so prosperous. Miss A. B. Mulroney, of Philadelphia, has made \$50,000 out of her

shops in the Klondike. Mrs. Louisa J. Cabel, of Lowell, Me., is a justice of the peace, and personally manages a farm and an express bus-

Lead and zine have been discovered

Admiral Montojo, in his official report, charges his defeat in Manila bay to Spanish unpreparedness.

Jennie June Croly, known the worlver as a clever writer and advocate he advancement of her sex, is years old.

The distress in the famine-stricken districts of India is becoming more scute. About 2,250,000 persons have received relief.

Robert Cosman, jr., pastor of St. John's church, Boston, has been cho- those who have been held for a long

**MILITARY** HOSPITAL

Congressman Jones Working for One for Vancouver.

He Also Is Promoting Legislation t Preserve Squatters' Eights as Against Lieu-Land Scrip.

Washington, Jan. 5 .- Congressman Jones proposes to urge an appropria-tion of \$175,000 for a convalescent military hospital at Vancouver barracks. The Commercial Club of that city is active in promoting the enterprise. Tacoma would like a hospital of this

Where the issuing of forest reserve lieu land scrip has a tendency to deprive settlers of unsurveyed lands of squatters' rights, Congressman Jones proposes by legislation to protect the settler. Many complaints are being received from such settlers.

DEBATE IN SENATE.

Pinancial Bill Will Be Taken Up a Once Short Sessions.

Washington, Jan. 5.-The senate evinced a disposition today to take up the work of the session in earnest, and while the sitting was of only a little more than an hour's duration, a large number of important bills were introduced, and a definite foundation laid for proceeding with the financial bill, by fixing the hour for beginning the debate on this measure for 2 o'clock comorrow. The most notable event of the day was a protest entered by Hoar of Massachusetts, to the summary disposition of resolutions asking for information about the conduct of the Philippine war. He indicated a purpose to demand consideration for such measures, even at the expense of the financial bill. The 8th inst. was named as the date for the eulogies in the memory of the late Vice-President Hobart

The house was in session only 15 minutes today, and during that time had a little flurry over an attempt by Sulzer of New York to secure consideration for a resolution asking information concerning the relations of the treasury department with the National City bank, of New York. The resolution was referred to the committee on ways and means.

FLANKING THE BOERS. Pitcher's Raid the First Step in Meth-

uen's Plan. London, Jan. 5 .- Colonel Pitcher's ecupation of Douglas is regarded as merely the first step of General Methuen's carefully matured plans to out-

flank the Boers. The report of the Boer attack upon Molteno is not yet confirmed. Apparently General French holds nothing within five miles of Colesburg Junction. His request for reinforcements dispels any present hope that he will be able to seize one of the crossings of the Orange river. It is probable that when Lord Roberts arrives General French will be ordered to quit his present unsupported position and to concentrate his command at De Aar or Orange river.

Boers Shelled a Kimberly Mine. Kimberly, Jan. 5,-The Boers last the Premier mine, using their search-This morning they actively shelled the fort. The Royal artillery replied. Our shells were well placed and dropped amid the smoke of the en-

Last night's storm ignited some of our military mines, but there were no casualties.

Cecil Rhodes has supplied the Boer prisoners with new clothing.

Gatacre Turned the Boers Back. Sterkstrom, Jan. 5.-General Gatere today met the invading forces at Cyphorgat, near the British advance amp at Bushmanshoek. The Boers retired hurriedly shortly after the British artillery opened fire. The enemy occupied Molteno and Cyphorgat today. but the latter place is now reoccupied

Patrol Forces' Losses.

Frere Camp, Jan. 5 .- Captain Thorncroft's patrol found the enemy in some force at the little Tugela bridge. Their presence was discovered by scouts. It is reported that five men and a lieutenant of the party have not returned.

Fighting Around Colesburg. Naauwpoort, Cape Colony, Jan. 5.— There was brisk fighting today in the stubbornly resisted the British at every point, but gradually retreated. The British held the extreme position to the south and east, overlooking the town. Hills around Colesburg are numerous. not in ranges, but in groups, making it very difficult to hunt the Boers out Sixteen wounded have arrived at Aron-

Six Hundred Lives Lost.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5 .- The latest reports from Achalkalek, in the government of Tiffis, show that 600 lives were lost during the earthquakes which visited that district Monday.

Choice of Caucus.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 4. - After three years of retirement, J. C. S. Blackburn was chosen tonight by the joint caucus of the Democratic members of the legislature as the successor of William Lindsay in the United States senate. Notwithstanding Blackburn's nomination was a foregone conclusion and his election morally certain, the proceedings of the caucus tonight were enacted in the vicinity of Centaur, St. Louis in the presence of a galaxy of Kencounty, Mo., about 40 miles from St. sucky beauty and a dense throng of Blackburn admirers.

Opening Prison Doors, Havana, Jan. 5.-Today General Wood issued an important order giving reedom to 40 prisoners in the provinc d Santa Clara. Some of them ha been detained without trial, and other were suffering excessive punishment Reports from other departments are daily expected, and it is believed that before the end of the month a large number will be released, especially in the province of Havana. The cases of sen bishop of the Protestant Episcopal time in detention without trial will be diocese of Maine.

SENATE TAKES IT UP.

Opening of the Debate on the Financial

Washington, Jan. 6.-In accordance with the notice previously given by him, Senator Aldrich today opened the discussion of the financial bill with the explanation of a substitute for the house bill. The subject was carefully THE SUM OF \$175,000 ASKED prepared and was read from manuscript. It was delivered in clear and distinct language, but without any effort at oratory. Senators present gave him careful attention, but no one interrupted him with questions or otherwise during the delivery, nor did any one manifest a disposition to reply after he had concluded The senate adjourned for the purpose, it is understood, of giving those who may wish to reply to the Rhode Island senator an opportunity for presentation of the

The Pettigrew resolution concerning the Philippine war went over until Monday, when it is understood some senators will be asked to be heard on the Philippine question. Senator Beveridge also gave notice of a speech for Tuesday on the Philippine question, prefacing his notice with a resolution declaring his own position on the sub-

The house sitting was very brief again today, the only incident being the adoption of the Sulzer resolution introduced yesterday calling upon Sec retary Gage for information regarding the deposit of government funds in certain New York national banks. The resolution, as adopted, was made more general in its scope and an amendment was added to cover information respecting the transactions relating to the sale of the New York custom-house site. Secretary Gage's friends had been informed that he courted the fullest investigation, and was prepared to submit all the facts to congress. Accordingly there was no friction over the passage of the resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

RUNAWAY TRAIN

Thrilling Experience of Passengers

the Chicago & Great Western. Chicago, Jan. 6 .- A special to the Chronicle from Galena, Ill., says: Travelers on a Chicago Great Western passenger train had a thrilling ride and a narrow escape from death at Galena Junction today. To avoid death the engineer and fireman of the passenger train jumped just as their engine crashed into the rear of a disabled freight train standing in a long tunnel. So great was the force of the collision that the passenger engine bounded back, and before the engineer and fireman could climb aboard the engine the train was going down a steep grade at the mouth of the tunnel.

The conductor was unable to use the air, and the train had run a mile, and was within a hundred feet of a stationary freight train when stopped. Many of the passengers jumped, while others sought safety in the front coaches. The wrecked cars and the caboose in the tunnel caught fire and were destroyed. The engineer and fireman of the passenger train were both injured.

The Plague at Manila. Victoria, B. C., Jan. 6.-The Manila Times, just received here, states that "it has been learned from various authentic sources that in many of our closely neighboring towns a serious epidemic, bordering on plague, is raging. The towns principally affected are Guadelupe, Mandatogana, Pienda which have died from disease. Whatever the cause, there is little doubt that a species of plague exists, which in most cases proves fatal. It is said that the disease carries off its victims within 38 hours from its attack, and in these country towns medical aid or supplies are not to be had readily, and

then only in a limited way. Boor Recruiting at Butte. Butte, Mont., Jan. 6 .- Two hundred and sixty men have signed an agreement here to go to South Africa and serve in the Boer army. They are Irish-Americans, German-Americans and French-Americans. Only men between 20 and 40 and without any one depending on them were enlisted. They will leave as soon as an agent of the Transvaal government, now on his

way here, arrives. Sawmill Boiler Exploded. Cincinnati, Jan. 6 .- A boiler in the sawmill of Charles Stout, eight miles east of here, exploded and killed three employes and injured the owner this morning. Mr. Stout's head was crushed, and he will probably die.

The "Open Door. Washington, Jan. 6.-Italy has turned a favorable response to the recent note of the state department respecting the "open door" in China. remaining to be heard from.

The Plague in Brazil Rio Janeiro, Jan. 5 .- The bubonic plague has broken out in the city of

San Paulo. Santiago Morphy, who robbed the Bank of Mexico of \$70,000, has been sentenced in the City of Mexico to

nine years in prison. The Delagoa bay award will not be made for six months or a year.

Paris, Jan. 6.-The high senate) in secret session today condemned H. Buffet and Deroulede to 10 years' banishment. M. Geurin was entenced to 10 years' confinement in fortified place, Marquis de Lur Saluces was sentenced to 10 years' ban-

British Agent Arrested in Russia. Berlin, Jan. 6 .- It is reported the British enrolling agent has been arrested at Korbheta, Russia.

Meat Prices Advanced. St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 6 .- Local and Northwestern retail butchers have advanced the price of yeal and pork 1 cent per pound. It is stated the advance is to be general all over this section, and that it is due to a scarcity of livestock throughout the Northwest.

German Trade With United States. Berlin, Jan. 6 .- The annual report of the Bremen chamber of commerce comments upon the growth of trade with the United States, expressing the opinion that this will be still greater in consequence of currency reform.

AND

Boers Working Incessantly at Their Trenches.

FLANK ATTACKS ARE DIFFICULT

Battle on the Tugela River Is Expecte Soon-Extent of the Dutch Rising.

London, Jan. 6 .- This morning's news throws little further light on the war situation. The exact position at Molteno and Cyphergat is not yet clear but in any case these little engagements are of small importance beyond proving that the British forces are beginning to attain a great degree of It is fully expected that next week

will see a heavy battle on the Tugela river, which is now the real pivot of the campaign.

The Boers appear to be working incessantly with shovel and pick. Lord Methuen's cavalry scouting has developed the fact that the Boer intrenchments extend some 40 miles, far overlapping the British positions and making flank attacks exceedingly difficult. Military critics affirm that the Boer trenches confronting General Buller stretch away some 17 miles, and that work upon them is pushed unremittingly.

While the advance is delayed, flank movements are rendered most difficult because long marches are not done with celerity, and it is hard to time an attack with certainty

The extent of the Dutch rising may now be measured by taking a line from Prieska, on the west, to Herschel or Barkly, on the east. Along the whole of this line, except at points actually occupied by the British, the population seems for the most part hostile.

Kimberley, and 17 miles of works now encompass the town. The admiralty programmme embraces the stationing of small squadrons at Durban, Simons bay, Port Elizabeth, Lorenzo Marquez, St. Vincent,

New redoubts are being built at

in the Cape Verde islands, and Cape Town, and sending an additional ship or two to Aden. It is announced that Great Britain's agents and detectives are secretly

watching all Italian ports. It now appears that it is John Churchill, second son of Lady Randolph Churchill, and not Winston Churchill, who has been given command of a squadron of the South African light horse.

Lord Rossyln has thrown up his engagement at the Court theater in order to join the yeomanry. The offer of Lord Iveagh to provide at his own expense a completely equipped hospital for use in South Africa has been accepted. The war office has invited Sir Will-

iam Thompson to accept the post of

chief surgeon to the forces in South Africa, instead of consulting surgeon.

Pitcher Falls Back. Belmont, Jan. 6 .- Colonel Pitcler, it is officially announced, being only on a raiding expedition, and for milltary reasons being unable to occupy Douglas permanently, has evacuated the town, bringing off all the loyalists. He has now returned safely to a close proximity to Belmont. When he announced the necessity of evacuating turned off because a contract has not night evinced considerable interest in other towns. The cause is said to be their lives were not safe five minutes the place, the inhabitants declared fore, invited them to accompany him

to Belmont. The vehicles of the town were totally inadequate to convey the refugees, so the troops gave up the transport wagons to the women and children.

ANOTHER STEAMER SLIZED.

And Emperor William Thinks It Is Go ing Too Far. Berlin, Jan. 6 .- The imperial mail steamer General has been detained at Aden, and occupied by British troops, with the object of searching her cargo, which is to be discharged. The General is owned by the German East African line.

. The seizure of the General has con-

siderably aggravated the situation

here, and the indignation against England is intensified. The government is still earnestly endeavoring to preserve correct official relations, but England furnace-room of the brass foundry of will do well to hasten to make the 'amende honorable'' to Germany. On absolutely reliable authority, the correspondent of the press learns that workmen and injuring another so badly Emperor William is now thoroughly aroused by the repeated seizures of

Italy was the last of the great powers the German navy were more powerful the car fell to the bottom of the shaft. than it is. Hanna Says No. Cleveland, O., Jan. 5.-Senator Hanna declared today that, although he had been urged to stand for the per-

assured, is guilty of carrying contra

manent chairmanship of the next Republican national convention, he would not do so. "There are other men," he said, who are more ambitious than I, and the naval squadron on the Atlantic to

I will give way to them." Missionary Killed by Chinese. Peking, Jan. 6 .- The Rev. Mr. Brooks, of the Church Missionary Society, stationed at Ping Yin, in the ly in destroying many villages and

late to save Mr. Brooks. Canadian Parliament Summoned Ottawa, Jan. 1 .- It was officially announced tonight that parliament had been called for February 1. The principal business to be brought up will be the voting of money for the military contingents to be sent to South Africa. and the adoption of motions indorsing the action of the government.

Three Thousand Miners Strike. Vienna, Jan. 6 .- Three thousand miners have struck for an advance of wages in the Koffach coal district of

MAKES ONE'S FLESH CREEP.

ALL ARE NOW FREE Wholesale Cannibalism in the Cong New York, Jan. 8 .- A special to the

Times from Nashville, Tenn., says: The Southern Presbyterian board of missions in this city received letters today from Rev. L. C. Vass, and Rev. H. P. Hawkins, missionaries of the church stationed at Luebe, Congo Free State, Africa, giving accounts of the burning of 14 villages and the killing of 90 or more natives by state troops. They report that some of the victims were eaten by cannibals, and that the bodies of all who were slain were mutilated, their heads having been cut off.

Mr. Vass was formerly of Newbern, N. C., and has been engaged in mission work at Luebe since February 18. 1899. Mr. Hawkins was formerly at Vicksburg, Miss. Mr. Vass states that tidings of raiding by the Zappo Zaps in the Bena Kamba country having reached them, and the work of the missionaries being threatened, the Rev. Mr. Sheppard was sent to make an investigation. He went to the Zappo Zape' camp and found that 14 villages had been destroyed by fire and plund-ered. He saw 47 bodies lying around the camp. From three bodies the fles had been carved and eaten. The chie Luzon, with all the American prisonsaid that 80 or 90 had been killed and five persons eaten by his people.

Mr. Sheppard saw 81 right hands cut off and frying over a slow fire in order to be afterward taken back to the state officers. Sixty women prisoners were confined in a pen, and 16 had already been sent away prisoners. It is said the raid was ordered because the people could not pay the exorbitant tribute demanded by the state. The missionaries say that they reported the matter to the proper officials, and demanded the withdrawal of the troops, and that the chief instituted a counter prosecution on account of the charges made. The missionaries further say the Zappo Zaps are a tribe kept by the state for its protection. They are sent out to collect rubber, ivory, slaves and goats as tribute from the people, and can then plunder, burn and kill for their own amusement and gain. The missionaries say they are collecting evidence about the massacre, and send it to Boma and to Europe. Vass says:

"The whole country is pillaged and not a village left standing. The people are in the bush. Tonight in a radius of about 75 miles there are possibly 50,000 people sleeping in the bush, unsheltered and weary, in the midst of a rainy season. The state is a terror to every one."

Executors' Big Fees.

Chicago, Jan. 8 .- Robert T. Lincoln and Norman B. Ream, executors of the estate of George M. Pullman, were today allotted as compensation for their services the sum of \$425,000. The order was entered by Judge Bat-ten, in the probate court. This is said to be the largest amount in fees ever allowed executors of any estate handled by the probate court here.

Another order was made, fixing the

widow's award at \$20,000. The final accounting of the executors of the Pullman estate is expected to be made next week. It is said that the estate, which was listed at about \$8,000,000 when the will was probated, will now figure up to nearly \$14,000,000. To Send More Soldiers to Cape Nome. Washington, Jan. 8 .- At the cabinet meeting today, it was definitely decided to send additional troops to Alaska

in the spring. The points to which agriculturl section of Grande Ronde, they will be sent have not been deter- and it is assured that La Grande will mined upon, except Cape Nome, where | be virtually the northern terminus. due to eating the flesh of animals after the troops left. Pitcher, therepeople as soon as navigation opens. This place is now without government of any kind, and some sort of a force will be necessary to protect the community against lawbreakers in the mad rush of people in the spring.

> No Substantial Gains. London, Jan. 8 .- No 'decisive action is reported from South Africa this morning, military activity being confined to points of subsidiary importance. In the central theater of operations the British apparently have received no substantia I gains. The only dispatch of dramatic interest is the narrative of useless gallantry at the sortie from Mafeking, where the stormers threw themselves hopelessly against a strongly defended Boer work.

Ore Elevator Fell.

Chicago, Jan. 8 .- An elevator in the the Illinois Steel Company's branch works at Thirty-first street and Ashland avenue fell today instantly killing two that he died a few minutes after being removed to the hospital. The dead are: vessels, not one of which, he has been Joseph Middle, Ignatz Giazoak, Joseph Sock. The men were using an elevaband. He regards the seizure as high- tor used for carrying ore and blocks of handed proceedings, which England iron to the upper rooms. When near would not have dared to undertake if the top the elevator cable parted and

> Against M. S. Quay. Washington, Jan. 8 .- The senate committee on privileges and elections today decided, by a vote of 4 to 3, to make an adverse report upon the resolution to seat Senator Quay. To Enforce Payment.

Paris, Jan. 8 .- The French govern-

ment has cabled the commandant of

who value that honor more than I do. proceed immediately to Santo Domingo.

Dr. W. A. Hammond Dead. Washington, Jan. 8 .- Dr. William A. Hammond, formerly surgeon-genprovince of Shan Tung, was captured eral of the army, died at his residence in the vicinity and murdered December in this city tonight, from an attack of 3 by members of a seditious gang called heart failure. He expired before "boxers," who have been active late- physician could be summoned. Arrangements for the funeral have not killing native Christians. The gover- yet been completed. Dr. Hammond nor of the province has dispatched a was 71 years of age. At the time of force of cavalry to the scene of the dis- his death he was on the rolls of the turbances, but the soldiers arrived too United States army as a brigadier-general on the retired list.

Accident at Homestead Works.

Pittsburg, Jan. 8 .- One man is dead and three injured as the result of an occident at the Homestead steel works est night. The dead man is August erger. The injured are: John Fleming, crushed, will die; Joseph French, crushed, will die: Joseph Cehall, arm crushed.

The men were changing the rolls in the 28-inch mill when the chain with which they raised the rolls into place broke, letting the heavy mass of iron down on them. Berger was instantly killed.

American Prisoners Rescued

From Filipinos. SUCCESSFUL END OF PURSUIT

Remaining Members of Yorktown Party Believed to Be at Vigan-Campaign in Cavite.

Washington, Jan. 8.—After a silence of several days, General Otis is able to notify the war department of the complete success of the military operations in Northwest Luzon, the main object of which was the rescue of the American prisoners which the insurgents took with them in their flight. Although General Otis does not spec.

ify Lieutenant Gilmore, U. S. N., by name, the wording of his message is taken to mean that that officer to among the list of rescued prisoners. General Otis\* message is as follows: "Manila, -Colonels Hare and Howse have just arrived at Vigan, Northwest

ers. Their successful pursuit was a remarkable achievement. "Schwan and Wheaton are now with separate columns in Cavite province. 'Affairs in Luzon, north of Manila, OTIS.'

have greatly improved. Rebel Stronghold Captured.

Manila, Jan. 8 .- Advices from Magalang, province of Pampanga, report that Captain Conhauser, with three companies of the Twenty-fifth regiment, captured the insurgent stronghold of Comanche, on Mount Arayat, yesterday. Three Americans were wounded, but the enemys' loss is not known.

Three members of the Ninth and two of the Twelfth regiment, whom the insurgents held as prisoners, were shot and horribly mutilated. Three of them are dead and the other two are recovering. Captain Conhauser set fire to the barracks and the town.

TO BUILD TO GRANITE.

Railroad Company Organized, Stock Taken, Work Begun. La Grande, Or., Jan. 8.—Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Hilgard, Granite & Southwestern Railway Company, with a capital stock of \$60,000 place of business, La Grande. The incorporators are: J. M. Church,

cashier of the La Grande National

bank; Robert Smith, manager of the

Grand Ronde Lumber Company; J. M.

Berry, merchant. At a meeting of the stockholders, the following officers were elected: President, Robert Smith; vice-president, F. S. Stanley; treasurer, J. M. Church; secretary, E. W. Bartlett. All the stock is subscribed, and President Smith has gone to Chicago to close arrangements for the construction

of the railway from Hilgard, a point on

the O. R. & N., seven miles west of La Grande, to Granite, a central point of the Eastern Oregon mining district. It is announced by Secretary Bartlett that work on the preliminary survey will begin at once. The proposed route is about 60 miles in length, and follows the greater part of the way a water route up the Grande Ronde river. The road will connect the important mines of Eastern Oregon with the rich

Extensive bodies of timber lie cont uous to the route. The movement is hailed with great delight by La Grande people, who have faith in the financial ability of the incorporators to carry out the project. It is stated by officials of the company that one-half the capital stock was subscribed in Portland. The movement is regarded as

cultural resources of Eastern Oregon Another Island Taken. Washington, Jan. 8 .- The United States navy has taken possession of

another island in the East. The news

one of prime importance in the rapid

development of the mineral and agri-

of the seizure was contained in the following dispatch: "Cavite, Jan. 8 .- On December 21. Wentsbaugh, commanding the Albay (a little gunboat), hoisted the flag on Sibutu island and the chief dato provided and raised the pole. Natives

and North Borneo authorities pleased. WATSON." The island lies at the southwestern angle of the boundary line of the quadrangle enclosing the Philippine group. It is probably cutside of the line, and lies very near the coast of Borneo, commanding the principal channel, but is not one of the islands of the Philippines. The sultan of Jolo, whose group is close to this island, is believed to claim jurisdiction over it, and as his authority is recognized by the native tribes on the north coast of Borneo and vicinity, it is believed his claim is well founded. It was probably at his instance that the naval officer com-

manding the gunboat moved. Trainmen Killed by Dynamite. Chattanooga, Tenn., Jan. 8.-Word has reached here of the killing of four men on the Tennessee Central railroad, eight miles from Rockwood. They were unloading dynamite when a quantity of it exploded.

Agreed on a Judge. Washington, Jan. 8 .- Members of the Oregon delegation today united in unanimously recommending the ap-

pointment of Judge W. C. Hale, of Eugene, Or., as district judge of Alaska, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Johnson. Judge Hale was once judge of the first district of Oregon, and has strong indorsements from all of the circuit judges of the state, as well as the judges of the supreme court, and from prominent Republicans.

Wire Trust Advances Wages. Pittsburg, Jan. 8 .- The American

Steel & Wire Copmany today posted notices in all of its plants notifying its employes of a general advance in wages of 7% per cent, to take effect from January 1. The advance effects 30,000 employes, 10,000 of whom are in the Pittsburg district, the rest being employed in the company's works in Chicago, Cleveland and Kokomo, Ind.

Irving Shaw, aged 14, of Providence, N. Y., was convicted of murdering his playmate, Jesse Blanche, and sentenced to life imprisonment.