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### TO RENDEZVOUS AT TRINIDAD

#### Kearsarge, Alabama, Massachusetts and Iowa Only a Day's Sail From La Guayra.

#### DEPARTMENT IS PLEASED WITH DEWEY'S FORESIGHT.

The entire American fleet is within two days' sail of Venezuela—Secretary Moody cabled, "Carry out your proposed holiday itinerary. Merry Christmas."

London, Dec. 18.—The cabinet meeting is discussing the Venezuelan question this afternoon. Important negotiations are proceeding between Washington and London which may strain the Anglo-German joint action.

Germany is trying to persuade England if she takes a strong pro-arbitration attitude Germany will be compelled to accept. England has not yet replied to Washington.

King Edward's Session. London, Dec. 18.—The king this afternoon addressed a joint session of parliament. After a general review he referred to Venezuela as follows: "I regret the constant complaints which my government has found it necessary to address Venezuela in regard to unjustifiable acts against British subjects and property."

Unusually Deep Snow. Tacoma, Dec. 18.—From 10 to 15 feet of snow has fallen in the Cascade range since the heavy snow fall.

### TWO RAILWAYS FILED THEIR WAGE STATEMENTS

#### Non-Union Fireman Says He Was Shot at by a Striker—Said He Worked to Buy Food for His Wife and Seven Children.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 18.—Two more railways filed wage statements when the commission met this morning. The recitation of injuries and wrongs received by non-union men at the hands of strikers was continued. Fireman Reynolds told of an attempt of assassination by Striker Francis, who fired five ineffective shots at him. When Reynolds was brought to trial he said he had authority from his union to stop people on the street. This was brought out by the commission. Reynolds said he worked to buy food for a family consisting of a wife and seven small children.

### PROFESSOR FORLINES CLAIMS DISCOVERY OF ELKIR.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Dr. Hamilton Forline, formerly a professor in the Northwestern University, who resigned to make experiments of restoring life in cases of suspended animation, today announced his success. He claims that he has discovered the process of practically restoring life to human beings technically dead.

Perished in Blizzard. Helena, Mont., Dec. 17.—Hundreds of cattle and sheep perished last week in the blizzard which caught the stockmen unprepared.

### GAMBLING ISSUE PREDICTS DEEP SNOW

Yakima Indians Fear Hard Winter. Sap Nouns and Dogs Will Starve to Death—More Snow Than for Many Years in Cascades.

Two Trainsmen Killed Three Fatally Injured. Dastardly Deed of a Train Wrecker—Removed a Rail Near Treatise—Train Piled Up on Creek—No Passengers Injured.

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### TEST OF BORAX IN FOOD.

Young men Take Diet Prescribed by Agricultural Department. Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—About a dozen young men Monday began boarding on a diet furnished by the agricultural department and designed to test food adulterations. It was the first day of the actual inclusion of borax and other preservatives in the diet which are to be furnished to the young men for a long period under the direction of Chemist Wiley of the department. He believes the results will show the harmlessness of preservatives, whose presence in exports of the United States has led to exclusion of such food products.

### PETITION FOR PARDON.

Crook County People Ask for Release of James Weaver. Salem, Ore., Dec. 16.—Governor Geer yesterday received a petition bearing the signatures of over 100 business men and representative citizens of Prineville, praying for the full pardon of one James Weaver, who is serving a life term in the penitentiary upon conviction of the murder, in the second degree, of one William McKinney, at Burns, Harney county, on September 28, 1898.

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### A FALSE STATEMENT \$3100 PER MILE

#### Miner Dunko, Who the Operators Said Received \$900 Last Year, Received \$360.

#### IT'S UP TO THAT BOSS NOW!

Judge Gray Permits the Miners to Bring a Few More Witnesses—Requested the Miners to Not Let Their Daughters Work, No Matter How Deep They Were in Debt.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 17.—The coal operators before the anthracite commission today began their response to the charges made by the miners. Former Congressman Wolverton, one of the operators' counsel, began his address when the commission opened.

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#### Report of Interstate Commission Shows Net Earnings of Railroads Are Unusual.

#### IS OUTSPOKEN REGARDING PROFITS AND COMBINATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The annual report of the interstate commerce commission sent congress today shows that the net earnings of the railroads in the United States for the year ending June 30, 1902, was \$205,000,000 of \$3100 per mile. It is the highest net earnings since 1898.

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### MAY NOT REBUILD LOG CABIN.

#### Q. R. & N. May Run Dining Cars Instead of Losing Time to Eat at Meacham.

Portland, Dec. 17.—One of the most unique features of a journey over the O. R. & N. railway—the log cabin eating station at Meacham, president of the nation's logging industry, has been drawn at the engineering headquarters, no steps have yet been taken to rebuild the cabin which was destroyed by fire some weeks ago.

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### COLOMBIA MAKES READY.

#### Will Invade Nicaragua in Order to Hold Both Canal Routes.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—What ever doubt existed in Nicaragua as to the intention of Colombia to carry out her threat to attack her as soon as her own revolutionary movement had been crushed has been removed by the receipt of advice of a semi-official character here that the Colombian army officers at Panama and Co. are ready to invade Nicaragua.

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### CHRIS LEMPKE HANGS HIMSELF

#### Brooding Over Brother's Suicide, a Prominent Farmer Decides to End His Life.

#### WIFE FINDS LIFELESS BODY IN THE BARN.

Was 33 Years Old—For Fifteen Years a Resident of Umatilla County—Leaves Wife and Three Children—Wife Prostrated With Grief.

Word was telegraphed to Pendleton this afternoon that Chris Lempke had committed suicide by hanging at his home near Warren station, about 12 1/2 miles from Pendleton.

Chris Lempke was about 33 years of age. He had a wife and two children. He had been a resident of Umatilla county for the past 12 or 15 years. In this time he has made considerable money and owns a large tract of land near Warren station. He was a prominent farmer and was well known in the community.

Great Concourse Attends the Burial. Body Placed in Two Feet of Concrete to Prevent Robbery of the Grave.

Barrett in India. Address the Bengal Chamber of Commerce in Behalf of the St. Louis Exposition.

Lewis-Clark Fair Resisted Arrest. O. L. Miller, of Baker City, is Jubilant.

Negro Tramp Shoots at Marshal of Freewater. No One Hurt—Much Excitement.

Pacific Cable is Christened. Over 30,000 People on the Beach at San Francisco Witness Ceremonies.

Opposes Nord. Lively Fight for President Going on in the Negro Republic.

Floods on the Ohio. Coal Piers, Barges and Boats Washed From the Wharves—Great Damage Already Done.

Bust of McKinley. Three Thousand Dollars Appropriated for Its Purchase by Congress.

Coal Famine in Omaha. Omaha, Dec. 16.—Unless coal is received from some source, all the packing houses here will shut down tomorrow.

Cruiser Ashore. Copenhagen, Dec. 17.—A German first-class cruiser is ashore near Koper, on the Baltic sea. The battleship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse and other vessels are trying to save it.