AMERICA HAS NO BRILLIANT MEN

According to Press and Public Opinion of England.

GOVERNMENT KNOWS BETTER

American Legislation by Making Statements on Nicaragua Canal Question.

of conspicuous merit." This statement appears in the Daily Mail year book a pauper's hovel, just issued to compete with Whitaker's the world's chief statesmen.

ately represents the bulk of press and public opinion in England. Nothing so penny in his lifetime, well explains the attitude of the English press toward American action in Nicaragua, China and other quarters of the globe as this crude revelation of its estimate of American public men. It is this underlying though seldom expressed belief which permeates the editerials now so frequently devoted to the policy of the Washington govern- of the opera.

How utterly this is at variance with the opinion of the foreign office and apparent from the fact that in almost every recent case where the English papers have attempted to advise or to fcreeast the attitude of their government towards propositions suggested by and the Marquis of Lansdowne. This office in Queens county, lack of sympathy between the administration papers seems to broaden daily. Hence while the mass of English comments on the Nicaragua canal question be considered in any way official or

even semi-official. NICARAGUA CANAL QUESTION,

son. It may be said that Lord Lans- Suthpin for county clerk, downe has been given every opportunity to communicate his views on the matter but he has definitely refused, remarking that he did not wish to atto interfere covertly or otherwise in the formation of American publi or legislative opinion. He has not even discussed the canal in his frequent conferences this week with the United States ambassador, Joseph H. Choate,

Great Britain's decision doubtless will be arrived at only after a cabinet conference. What Lord Lansdowne will advise his fellow cabinet members to do which that treaty is returned. As the depends entirely on the final shape in matter stands it would be equally unsafe to say he will counsel its rejection or acceptance, though if he foilows the ideas which at present prevail among the foreign office officials he will Ernest Roeber and Paul Pons Will fall back on the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and reject any modification of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty.

HOLIDAY GAIETY.

The dreary prespect of interminable war in South Africa and increased tax- world's championship Graeco-Roman mas gaiety. The shops and markets are and Paul Pons, the French champion, brighter than ever, gay throngs fill to take place in Madison Square Garthe streets, business is at top notch and der about January 1. the theatres are crowded. Thousands of people are preparing to invade London to welcome Lord Roberts home. The number of spectators of "Bobs'" march to St. Paul's accompanied by the Prince of Wales, January 3, is likely to break all records. The officials are already beicusty awalting the announcement of and discharge a thin, sticky fluid, which the line of march.

SUBMARINE WARFARE.

awakened to the importance of submar- almost unbearable; the acid burning ine and similar methods of warfare. It humor seems to ooze out and set the skin has arranged to test various inventions for steering torpedoes and submarine long as the poison remains in the blood boats by means of wireless telegraphy it will keep the skin irritated. operated by A. G. Higgs, the United States consul at Weymouth.

The United States naval attache, Commander Glover, is following up the them to swell to twice matter closely. Germany has made an their natural size, Part offer for the German rights. The invention has been considerably altered since in and causing me it was first shown to the German government.

The inventor express s the belief that to be cared, and they the danger of interference, or "jamming" as it is technically called, has been eliminated. As recent Marconi experiments prove, instruments not exactly tuned to the same note can have the Jackson, 1414 McGee St., Kansas City, Mo. no influence over others, regardless of the power of the batteries, Mr. Higgs pools the blood and restores it to a healthy provides each torpedo with a different satural state, and the rough, unhealthy note and directs it from a ship or the ikin becomes soft, smooth and clear, land, on or under water, towards the object it is desired to destroy, by means of the same current whereby wireless messages are transmitted,

POLAR DOG TRUST.

pelar dogs. According to Sir Clements help you by their advice; we make no Markham, president of the Royal Geo- charge for this service. All correspondence graphical Society, Americans are re- is conducted in strictest confidence. sponsible for forming such a corner in . THE SWIFT SPECIFIC CO., STLANTA, CA.

these animals that the pending British and other Arctic expeditions are confronted with a difficulty nearly as great

It appears that E. P. Baldwin, the American explorer, has bought up such a large supply of dogs that their prices have risen from \$18 to \$30 and they are hard to procure even at that price. Captain Bernier, the Canadian explorer, hopes to get out of the dilemma by taking young dogs and training them on the veyage.

What the two British Antarctic expeitions will do, Sir Clements Markham daes not yet know. Mr. Baldwin says he has now more dogs than he needs, Eaglish Officials Do Not Wish to Affect He foresaw the scarcity and bought

MISERLY PHILANTHROPIST. Mr. Robert Arlington, the eccentric gentleman of Leeds who lived in a miserable manner in order to be able to devote his wealth to foreign missions, left over £1,000,000 to charities of all LONDON. Dec. 15,-"The United kinds. He made his fortune out of a States have many able men but no one brewery and lived in one filthy room,

Disappointment in love is said to Almanac under the section devoted to have been responsible for his extraordinary life. This tall snare man who larly erudite publication, it unfortun- garments made in the style of the six- less speculation among local yachtsmen no means satisfied with the Earl test ties never was known to give away a

REFECT OF SULLIVAN'S DEATH. "Patience" at the Savoy. It has so stimulated interest in the dead composer's work that the audiences are exceeding the record of the production

CHARGED WITH BRIBERY.

County Convention \$100 to Stay Away.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.-Alexander Williams, a nephew of former the United States they have taken ex- Inspector Alexander S. Williams, of actly the opposite line from the course Manhattan, has been arrested on a wareventually pursued by Lord Salisbury rant issued from the district attorney's

Williams was indicted by the grand jury in connection with the bribery charges made with reference to the nomination of Democratic candidates undoubtedly represent the views of a for the recent election. Williams was large section of the public it must not arraigned before Justice Garretson and

released on ball. The indictment charges that Williams offered Frederick W. Bothmer \$100 to A special cable dispatch from Wash- stay away from the Democratic county ington complains that the London dis- convention to which Bothmer was a delpatches dealing with the Nicaragua ca- egate. This, the indictment says, was nal do not give any indication of the for the purpose of inducing Bother to views of Lord Salisbury, the Marquis refrain from voting for L. J. Conner of Lansdowne or any authoritative per- cr some other person than John H. says:

WILL GET ANOTHER MILLION.

Good Progress Being Made in Securing Large Endowment for Brown University.

PROVIDENCE, R. L. Dec. 15 .- At a of \$16,000 and another of \$25,000.

WRESTLING MATCH.

Compete for the World's Championship.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.-Preliminary arrangements have been made for a ation at home is no deterrent to Christ- wrestling match between Ernest Roeber

ECZEMA'S ITOH IS TORTURE.

Eczema is caused by an acid humor in the blood coming in contact with the dries and scales off; sometimes the skin is hard, dry and fissured. Eczema in any SUBMARINE WARFARE. form is a tormenting, stubborn disease,
The British admiralty has thoroughly and the itching and burning at times are

BAD FORM OF TETTER,

"For three years I had Tetter on my hands, which caused was in the form of run ors said the Tette

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WILL BE A FAST BOAT.

Over the Course in Five Minutes Less Time Than the Columbia.

on the probable speed of the big yacht and accordingly will make a counter Northern Pacific could shift the bulk of that Crowninshield will design for a test. cup defender, based on a statement 8. Saitta, a large importer, said that The death of Sir Arthur Sullivan has be five minutes faster than the Colum- select twelve lemons as a representative had a curious effect on the audiences of bia over the course in an average tot from a California production and breeze. It is understood that the de- also twelve Sicilian lemons from a repsigner has had a full set of the work- resentative importation. These, Mr. ing plans of the Columbia for a long Saitta said, had been given to an extime and is therefore qualified to make pert chemist to make an analysis "in a prediction

fender's plans at his own residence amount of citric acid contained in the and will deliver the frame plan to Mr. two lots. the highest government officials here is New Yorker Offered a Delegate to Lawley possibly next Monday. The lead keel, however, is expected to be

in shape by January. In laying down the yacht, the mould There Will No Longer Be a Second loft at Lawley's will be used and from there the work can be changed either to the boat shed or, if it should so happen, to the Atlantic Works' yards, in East Boston, although this latter course may be as an expediency.

It is quite definitely learned that

Captain Watson has nothing to hinder

boat STOLE THE FURNITURE.

Assistant United States Exhibition Commissioner at Paris Accused of Taking Costly Furniture From the Exhibit.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from Paris

The French customs' authorities have served notice upon Mr. Woodward, assistant United States exhibition commissioner, that they will not permit him to leave France until he has paid duty on a magnificent set of furniture which to death last night by the explosion be gilded less by the promise of carwas moved from the United States pavilion to his private apartments.

As government property, no duty was charged when it was brought to Paris, meeting of the executive committee of but as Mr. Woodward took the furni-Brown University, President Faun- ture for his private use it is liable to cere reported that good progress was customs. The secretary of the treasbeing made in securing a second mil- ury in Washington has notified Mr. llon dollars for the university's endow- Woodward that his salary is withheld dian. Last night this Indian, named ment fund. Several handsome subscrip- until the furniture is restored. It is Warbonnet, supposing the tank conworth \$3000.

> Mr. Woodward says he is acting entirely within his rights in using the

> Commissioner Peck and the whole American party intend sailing on the St. Louis this week but Woodward must pay the French duties or return the furniture to the United States government if he wishes to sail.

EXPOSITION SPORT

Program at Buffalo Includes Sports for Nearly Every Day During the Exposition.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 -- James F. Sullivan, manager of the Pan-American has a fighting chance of recovery. Exhibition sports, has returned from Buffalo, where he had a conference with Jesse C. Dann, chairman of the sports ommittee of the Pan American Exhibition. They agreed upon a temporary sieged for tickets for the thanksgiving skin and producing great redness and in- program comprising sports to take up exercises and window owners are anx. Sammation; little pustular eruptions form | nearly every day of the exposition from May 11th to November 1st.

The program agreed upon will have to be submitted to the committee on sports, who will hold a meeting soon, Then it will be transmitted to the governing bodies throughout the country for their approval.

PROMINENT CHEMIST DEAD.

He Invented the Electrolytic Treatment of Refractory Ores.

DENVER, Dec. 16 .- Dr. S. Hopfner, a prominent consulting engineer and Has a Capital Stock of Ten Million chemist of Hamilton, Ont., died at St. Joseph's hospital in this city of typhoid

Dr. Hopfner was well known to minng men through his invention of the which he is interested at Hamilton, Ont., and in smelters in England, Germany and Austria.

ANOTHER LEMON TEST.

Importers Are Not Satisfied With the Result of the Test Made by the California Fruit Company.

NEW YORK Dec. 15 .- Importers of emons will have an analytical test made to show the relative quantity of citric acid contained in the imported fruit as compared with the California product. This is the latest development in the controversy between importers

and handlers of domestic lemons, which arose over a test of California lemons the claims of that company, that the to St. Paul or the two lines which reach sent. domestic fruit contained a larger per- the Pacific coast could easily be gained, centage of citric acid than imported in a great part at any rate, for the BOSTON, Dec. 15,-There is more or lemons. Importers, it seems, are by Eric, while to the Eric in like manner

order to secure a perfectly fair and Mr. Crowninshield is making the de- impartial test," as to the relative

OFFICE DISCONTINUED.

Vice-President of the New York Central Railroad.

to its lines.

cost of transportation.

Erie was carried through.

of relations of this sort may be given

evidence of which is already in circu-

lation. Signs confirmatory are also

outlook for an alliance such as the one

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

ture of \$10,000,000.

WILCOX ADMITTED.

duction Bill Yesterday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 .- Robert W.

Wilcox, the delegate from Hawali, was

sworn in immediately after the ap-

proval of the journal in the house to-

day. Mr. Wilcox was escorted to the

bar of the house by Mr. Perea, the

delegate from New Mexico. After the

oath had been administered, many

Fisher's Opera House

L. E. SELIG, Lessee and Manager.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17

Mr. Harry Lilliford presents the come-

MR. WALTER WALKER

and original coterie of players in the Now York Comedy Success......

society comedy, enlivened with dush of farce, flavored with a touch of French and pro-

duced in the same

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- The Times rints the following:

The office of second vice-president of he New York Central, which was held by the late Horace J. Hayden, will be his acceptance of an offer to sall the permitted to lapse until the present plans of the New York Central directors are changed. At the time that shortly by such a step as the election the Joint Traffic Association was created Mr. Hayden was the New York Central's representative in that organization. After its dissolution the acavailable in the appointment of J. J. tual duties of Mr. Hayden were very Hill, president of the Great Northern, few and it is therefore not deemed necessary to continue the office,

INDIAN PAMILY PERISHED.

Burned to Death by the Explosion of a Can of Gasoline,

mother and four children, was burned pects of that property would seem to lee'ge they acquire through taking dic- Frenchman Shot Himself Through the Another family of a can of gasotine. of father, mother and one child was Pennsylvania Coal Company-a tennage frightfully burned and will probably which it has had hitherto-than by the die. The Benton Company have had tanks of gasoline on the river bank at Bismarck awaiting a boat. The bank caved in and all the oil went into the river. One tank was saved by an Intained kerosene, lit a match to fill a measure when the explosion took place.

ROLD-UP AT BUTTE.

Mine Carpenter Nearly Killed by Footpads.

BUTTE, Dec. 15 .- John Cashmere, a mine carpenter, was picked up in an ing, which will be a splendid structure unconscious state, at the head of of stone, Franklin street, this morning.

His head was badly cut and the condition of his clothing indicated a holdup. His pockets were torn out and House Passed the War Revenue Rehis pocketbook lay a short distance away. He was taken to the receiving hospital, where the physicians say he

SENT TO SING SING.

Smallest Prisoner Ever Received at the New York Penitentlary.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.-Alexander Stewart, the boy murderer whose recent sentence for the killing of Edward Piesel, a playmate, at the House of Refuge brought tears to the eyes of Judge Furaman, was sent to Sing Sing

The boy was, it is said, a third cousin to the famous New York merchant, A. T. Stewart. According to Keeper Connaughton he is the smallest prisoner ever received at Sing Sing.

NATURAL FOOD COMPANY,

Dollars,

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 15,-"The Natural Food Company" of this city and Niagara Falls, with a capital stock of electrolytic treatment of refractory \$10,000,000, has filed articles of incorporores, whiche is in use in a smelter in ation with the secretary of state. The corporation tax alone amounts to \$12 .-

M'COY MARRIED.

Rumor Is Current in London But Mc-Coy Refuses to Speak.

NEW YORK, Dec "-According to sumptuous manner as at the Herald Square Theater, New York Comedy Success...... a dispatch from London, it is reported that Charles (Kid) McCoy and Margaret Cornellie, the music hall Binger were married early this week. Neither will affirm nor deny the rumor.

PRICE OF SILVER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- Stiver, 64.

GREAT RAILROAD COMBINE.

One Management Will Control a System Extending Across the Continent.

resumed. NEW YORK, Dec. 15 .- Analyzing the

least \$70,000,000 and including a pro-Commerce says: Much of the stock of the Northern vision for an income tax so drawn as Pacific and the Great Northern is al- to escape an adverse decision of the pecially in college towns, where I can ready in the same hands. Community supreme court. The motion failed by of control is to be extended to connect- a vote of 131 to 135. ing lines. Management for common pur- Thereupon the bill was passed with-

poses is in this instance to be applied to out the concurrence of the minority, sundry systems of railways, railways who refrained from voting, serving different sections of the coun- The amendment placed in the bill will make a system extending from the defeated by an ayes and nos vote in Attantic to the Pacific. The Erie, the the house of 125 to 139, The pension ap-

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, the propriation bill carrying \$145,145,230 was Great Northern and Northern Pacific passed in exactly thirteen minutes. are reported to be the roads concerned. The house committee on census be-In the first place control of the Eric gan its consideration of the reapporcould be acquired most easily, none of tionment bill today and by a vote of the stock selling for high prices, and six to five expressed its preference for Eric as the second point in the argu- leaving the representation of the house ment had the most to gain from a trans- of representatives at 357 as at present. containing about as much furniture as Crowninshield Says His Yacht Will Go made by the California Fruit Company and which showed, according to Such traffic as might be billed either however, as several members were ab-

CHINESE NOT CITIZENS.

the freight which they might gather HONOLULU, Dec. 7 .-- A treasury dealong their lines for shipment east of credited to him that he would expect to he had Krone Brothers of this city Chicago, more particularly the large partment ruling in the matter of Chiportion of what might be intended for and surprise among the Chinese poputhe scaboard and the port of New York. lation here. It declares that the Chi Erie would have a further advantage nese who were naturalized cilizens of a the connection at Buffalo with the the republic of Hawaii did not become Great Northern steamship lines, while American citizens by virtue of the prothe St. Paul, in giving the Great Norvisions of the territorial act. Section thern and Northern Pacific outlet to 4 of that act declared that "all per-Chleago from Minneapolis and St. Paul sons who were citizens of the republic on especially favorable terms, might of the Northwest which could be shifted by declared to be citizens of the United dition that they follow as closely as citizens of the late republic were sup-posed to be Americans, and they were voyage to make returns of their Another end served would be the regulation of competition between the granger road and the two Pacific lines here when some of the supposed Amern districts where all three or two of the three seek business and the confor the United States. Collector Stackable wrote to Washington and received tion of these impediments to sequent guarantee of stable rates on a level, permitting a fair return on the How the terms of the alliance will by the ruling is small, but they are his indorsement that it was issued by mostly wealthy may hants. be disclosed, how far the settlement has mostly wealthy merchants. proceeded is not yet evident. Evidence

YOUNG WOMEN MUST GO.

of J. J. Hill to the St. Paul's board. Northern Pacific Wants Male Stenographers Because of Their Superior

Value When Experienced. NEW YORK, Dec. 15.-It is possible that within a short time the Northern returned from six years' mission work and Norman B. Ream, of the Baltimore & Ohio, to the Erie's board, together Pacific will discharge all of its women of the information that Thiber is anxwith the election of another member, stenographers. The reason for such jous to cast off the yoke of China and Robert Beacon, from the banking firm action is that young women fill places has been making overtures first to Britwhich if held by young men would put all, and then to Russia to help her, which if held by young men would put she has invited both these nations to by whom the last reorganization of the latter directly in the line for pro- open up Thibet to the commerce of the It is plain that stock would not have motion. Although it is agreed that world, been bought had there not been a plan women make more satisfactory sten-CANNON BALL, N. D., Dec. 15.-An under consideration by which the Eric ographers than young men, the latter Indian family, consisting of father, could be made to pay. And the pros- are preferred because the general know-

> rying hereafter the tonnage of the fies them for higher positions, BRYAN TO START A PAPER.

> > Will Edit a Weekly to Be Called the Commoner

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec. 15 .- William J. Accepted Plans Call for an Expendi-Bryan gave out the following interview

today. "I have for several years had in con-SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15 .- Architect | templation the establishment of a week-Bernardo's revised plans for the pro- ly newspaper and this seems an opporjected University of California builds tune time for undertaking it. Intendings have been accepted by the regents. Ing to devote my life to the study and They contemplate an expenditure of discussion of public questions, I have about \$10,000,000. Mrs. Phoebe Hearst. taken this method because it will best

members came forward to congratulate able to keep in touch with social, eco-Mr. Wilcox. The consideration of the nomic and political problems. The pawar revenue reduction bill was then per will at the same time, if successful, provide an income sufficient for my pecuntary needs, and this kind of The opposition sought to recommit the work will allow me more time with bill with instructions to report back

recent railroad deals, the Journal of the measure reducing the revenue at my family than I have been able to enjoy for several years past, "I expect to lecture occasionally, esspeak to students, but my principal work will be done with the pen, or perhaps I should say, with the pencil. The paper will be called the Commoner and will defend the principles set forth in the Kansas City platform. I shall try but which, operated in co-operation, yesterday to tax express receipts was be publisher and editor and Lincoln will be the place of publication,"

SHIPPING LOGS BY RAIL.

President Mellen Gets the Largest Contract Ever Given,

ST. PAUL, Dec. 15 .- President Mellen, of the Northern Pacific, who has been trying for the past two years to convince the lumbermen of the Northwest that they can ship their logs by rail at no great cost and more rapidly than by the old-fashioned method of rafting them, is now going to put his theory into practice. He has contracted to carry 90,000,000 feet of logs from Cloquet in the northern part of Minnesota, to Stillwater, Minn. It is the largest contract for the transportation of logs on a railroad.

NEW PACIFIC CHART.

Masters of all trans-Pacific steamers will be furnished free charts upon ap-plication at the United States Hydro-graphic office, showing the North Patific ocean and the principal steamahip routes between ports on the coast and the far East, including the Hawalian islands and Philippines. of Hawaii on August 12, 1899, are here- will be given the skippers only on con-States." Under this section Chinese possible the routes mapped out, for the purpose of locating the dangers indicatallowed to vote. The question arose servations to the Hydrographic office. Many dangers to navigation have been here when some of the supposed Amer-ican citizens wanted to leave Hawali this movement is for the purpose of ascertaining correctly the exact locathe new ruling on the 20th of jast now of the Manila fleet, recommended month. The number of Chinese affected rise use of the chart, and it was through

THIBET WANTS PREEDOM.

Asks Europe's Aid in Throwing. Off the Yoke of China,

SEATTLE, Dec. 15 -- A special to the imes from Vancouver, B. C., says: Rev. Robert Jaffray, who has just

SUICIDE OF VICE-CONSUL.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15 .- Paul Anoine, vic-consul of France and acting ensul shot himself through the head last night and will probably die. The shooting was witnessed by a woman known as Bell Chappell, with whom he had kept company for three years, but who refused to make a statement.

JOHN A. PORTER DEAD.

POMFRET Conn., Dec. 15.—John Ad-lison Forter, former private secretary to President McKinley, died at 2

NEW YORK WEATHER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14.-At 1 o'clock the doror of the plans, says that work accomplish the purpose which I have this morning the record for the winter will be soon begun on the mining build- in view. Through a paper, I will be up to date was 15 degrees above zero.

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