

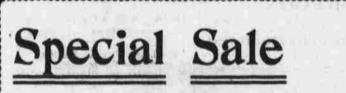
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Several papers comment upop the extraordinary fact that the leading world power abandons its policy of isolation apparently to clasp hands with Japan. LONDON PRESS COMMENT.

General Anxiety Pending Announcement of Our Attitude.

LONDON, Feb. 13 .- The announcement of the Anglo-Japanese treaty has opened the flood gates of discussion and comment throughout the continent. The London papers are full of interviews, opinions and special articles describing Japan and her military and naval strength and speculations as to the outcome of the alli-A day's reflection has only ance. served to confirm the opinions of the leading writers, which were hurriedly expressed yesterday. Noticeable throughout the comment here is the anxiety to see the Untled States in

line with the agreement. Every editorial points to the identity of interests and looks for moral support from America. The Standard says.

"The new agreement exactly coincides with the views of American statesmen. If the United States does the bi-parte contract we may take it whenever it thinks fit to do so, and in the meantime it regards the arrangement with sympathetic acquies-

Without multiplying instances this is the impression which pervades the opinions of both newspapers and publie men. It is well understood that the United States will not enter the alliance, but confidence is expressed that it will morally support the Anglo-Japanese policy.

At a meeting of the Japanese Soclety, held here last night to hear the secretary of the society read a paper on "Formosa under Japanese Rule," written by James W. Davidson, United States consul at Tramsui, Formosa, Archibald Colqueheron, F. R. G. S., during the subsequent addresses, said he hoped the treaty would be extended so as to include the United States, Numerous questions will be asked n parliament with a view of getting nformation on the subject. The basis of most of the objections urged is what is termed the premature publiation of the treaty. The Liberals hink that everything desirable migh tave been obtained by a single under tanding about a formal treaty and 1 any case that it was not wise to nake the agreement public.

One of the first efforts expected in

an immensely bright shaft of light for a distance of a mile, but also embraces the striking and novel feature of a beam of light of almost equal brilliancy penetrating over seven hundred feet above, which can be clearly seen ten miles distant. It is thereby possible for approaching trains to absolutely locate each other by this vertical shaft, of light, though miles

apart and it is this feature which railroad officials claim will eliminate the possibility of collision. This vertical beam will, in hilly country especially where curves in the track are numerous, so positively fix the location of trains that nothing but carelessness on the part of the enginemen will per-

mit a collision. The aparatus consists of a powerful electric are headlight, a dynamo and both these days. steam motor, all of which occupy the space on the locomotive usually de-

voted to the headlight. The dynamo which generates the current for this veritable searchlight occupies a space less than fifteen inches wide directly bohind the headlight and is operated by a motor driven by steam impact on a turbine wheel. The current is the general provisions is one forbid-6000 candle power which can be re-

duced to any degree of brilliancy at the will of the engineer. schools. One of the heaviest passenger en-

gines on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. not actually make itself a party to Paul, fully equipped with this beadlight drew a special train a aumber for granted it is welcome to join of miles out of Chicago last night and a practical demonstration of the working of the aparatus was given under the supervision of Charles W Adams, formerly assistant general

> passenger agent of the Pennsylvania. system. At a distance of half a mile the telegraph poles and framework on the semapholes were clearly defined, while the track bed itself was distinctly visible for one mile. Straight above the locomotive a shaft of light as thick as a man's body penetarted the darkness and persons posted ten miles away reported that it was clearly distinguishable. This is an entirely new departure in headlight illumination and railway signals. It s further proposed to convey signals of distress or other communications when trouble occurs between telegraph points by the use of colored glass to olor the vertical ray of light. Among those aboard the special ast night were H. R. Williams, Gen ral Manager of the C. M. & St. P. V. J. Underwood, assistant genera nanager; C. A. Woodard, general su erintendent; F. A. Miller, general assenger agent, and J. F. Gibson, d' ision superintendent and it was th nanimous opinion that the headlin! as thoroughly practical and wou scome one of the future requisites in ra''roading.

is involved in some uncertainty. self-government, the United States tories, construct waterworks and inover the islands.

Mitchell, of Oregon, delivered a carefully prepared speech in support of his amendment to reduce tariff duties on Philippine products coming into this country to 50 per cent for the

Philippines themselves.

sidered tomorrow or on Monday, the

INDIAN BILL COMPLETED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 .- The Indian appropriation bill, completed today, carries \$8,844,500. The Dawes commission is reduced in membership from four to three, as its work will be completed in two years, Among ding the withholding of rations because of attendance at government

TO BE TAKEN UP MONDAY. WASHINGTON, Feb. 13 .- The leaders of the house have made it known that the forthcoming special rule for the consideraion of the war revenue reduction bill will provide for taking up the measure next Monday, with two days for debate and a vote on Tuesday afternoon.

SCHOONER SET ON FIRE. Vistim to the Ice Fields of Falls a Delaware River.

CAPE MAY, N. J., Feb. 13 .- The chooner Frank Herbert, with a cargo of pine lumber, was abandoned in a sinking condition off here today, being the second vessel to fall a victim this week off this coast to the great ice fields flowing out of Delaware bay. The crew was taken off by a tug and the schooner set on fire.

FOR TRANS-ALASKAN LINE. Seattle Man Secures Options on Three

Steamships. CHICAGO, Feb. 13 .- Options have ust been secured by Captain E. D. Contings, of Seattle, on three steamships for the trans-Alaskan Railway to ply between Seattle and Illamna Bay, Alaska, and forming the conec-

day's session, that a vote may be had the island of Mindanau, the largest of next week, although the matter yet the Philippine group, build trading half from the place where he jumped posts, acquire lands for agricultural Teller concluded his speech today, and mining purposes, build railways, land. He used the measure as a means of erect sugar mills and other manufac-

simply maintaining a protectorate augurate a steamship line between San Francisco and the islands.

WILL VISIT PRESIDENT.

NEW YORK, Feb.13 .- Baron D'Estournelles de Constant, of France, one Dingley rates, maintaining that con- of the delegates to the international gress owed this concession to the Pa- peace conference at The Hague, who cific coast states as well as to the reached New York on Tuesday, will leave tomorrow for Washington, where

The Philippine bill will not be con- he hopes to be able to may his respects to the president. From Washsenate having made special orders for ington he will proceed to Chicago.

## KONDIKE MINES RAILWAY.

SEATTLE, Feb. 13 .- The North American Trading & Transportation Company has been awarded the contract to supply 53,000 railway tles for the Klondike mines railway, the construction of which from Dawson to Germand Forks, a distance of 12 miles. is soon to begin. This news is given in recent advices from Dawson, Manager Hawkins is now in this city. The rallawy will be a belt line, when

Presbyterian Revision Adjourned After Adopting Article V. PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 13.- The Presbyterian revision committee adourned today after adopting article V. of the brief statement of faith for popular use, and will again meet in

He was captured later, a mile and a

from the train, and returned to Port-

FINISHED ITS LABORS.

Washington, April 9. The article adopted today touches on sin, and it was productive of a protracted debate.

Secretary Roberts said: "The committee's work up to the present has been accomplished without serious opposition, though there has existed an ever-changing minority. There is one thing, however, and that is that the Presbyterian church repudiates the charge that it teaches either fatalism or infant damnation."

## STRIKE IS OVER.

BUTTE, Feb. 12 .- A special to the Miner from Missoula says the Northern Pacific switchmen's strike in the completed and will tap a rich terriyards here was called off this aftertory.

