A NATION.

It may be considered in bad taste to civil war after over a quarter of a century has elapsed since their final settlement by the arbitrament of the sword; but when such a pernicious contained in the editorial columns of the Albany Democrat, it is still pertinent to emphatically state that this is dividual speculation. a nation, and never was a confederacy.

"The Salem Journal says our country is a nation. Yes, in so far as the powers delegated to the general government by the constitution of the United States are concerned. But so far as the powers which are not delegated to the general government are concerned our country is a union of states, a confederacy. The general government is supreme as to all the powers which are delegated to it by the constitution, and the states are supreme as to all powers not delegated to the general government. Herein is our country different in its constitutional organism from such nations as Great Britain, France, Russia, Spain, etc. The states of our union have a distinct political autonomy which they have always possessed, possessed even before the union or our 'nation' was formed. As a matter of logical as well as historical fact the states are older than the union. The states made the union or 'nation' which had no political existence until the constitution of the United States had been formed by delegates of the several states in convention assembled, and afterward adopted by at least nine of the states acting, each, in its sovereign capacity. Even after the constitution was formed each state was left absolutely free to say for itself whether it would adopt [che constitution and become a member of the union or

The theory of our system of government is that sovereignty rests with the people, and they have granted certain positive powers to congress-contained in the national constitutionand have restricted the exercise o other powers by state legislatures, and these inhibitions are contained in state constitutions. In the preamble to the national constitution the language is plain, as follows: "We, the people of the United States, to form a more perfect union, etc." This language cannot be misconstrued. The people are sovereign in this country, whereas in Great Britain the parliament is the severeign power, and this is the differthe two nations. If the law passes parliament it is supreme and must be enforced; but in the United States an act of congress is not binding on any one if it transcend the powers granted to that body by the sovereign people, and the same is true of the statute of any state if it comes within the inhibitions made by the sovereign powerthepeople. The union always existed,

and! framing the constitution was sim ply to "form a more perfect union." This was true in every treaty made by the colonies from the landing of the first English colonists at Jamestown to the end of the war of the revolution. No state that formed the original compact ever acted in a sovereign capacity, and the only one in the galaxy of the union to-day, that ever possessed sovereignty in a political sense was Texas when she existed as the Lone Star republic. The rebellion grew out of the confederate idea of the republic, and of sovereignty of the different states. The highest authorities on our form of government, such as Story, Cooley and others, have opposed the theory of a confederacy and upheld the one of a nation, and the late war has forever settled the question beyond any further dispute.

PUBLIC FUNDS. In ordinary times the practice was followed without disaster; but it was sure to collapse when the conditions should be ripe for the catastrophe.

they perform, and they are not expected to use anything entrusted to their care by the public for personal emolument. If the money in the treasury increases by use the surplus should go for the benefit of the public and redue the amount of taxation necessary. If it is used by officers the, should be forced to pay for the privilege. This is simple honesty between the public and those elevated to positions of trust. If the salary is not sufficient doctrine is taught as the following for the work done, it should be increased: but in no case should the commonwealth furnish a fund for in-

againstathe location of the soldiers' home in Roseburg and branch insane asylum in Eastern Oregon, and this time the matter will be thoroughly investigated in the courts. In the former action the decision was readered adverse to the capital, and she is determined to try again. It may be that the supreme court will so construe the constitution that it will appear the state university, agricultural college, normal schools at Monmouth and Weston have been wrongly located, and the next proceeding on the part of Salemites may be to have these institutions brought back to the seat of government. The possibility of such action being taken renders it imperative that at the next session of the town will suffer for her hoggish promade to enforce the obnoxious provithe soldiers' home. Now that the intent of Salem is fully demonstrated the state of Oregon should not suffer such | again exposed the fallacy of this kind an unjust law to remain on the statute

the same time, in England, the accuour farmers and producers are knewn then caught hold of the wrong end of to be among our poorer classes. Grew- it. The income tax was well enough ing wool cannot be prosecuted with as as a beacon light to draw the crew much profit under adverse conditions from the west and south into the Demas when climate and pasturage are ocratic ship, but the big vessel now refavorable to it, and this is the reason fuses to sail too near in such shoal that the Australian and Argentine water where the Democratic party is sheep-raiser can compete successfully now at anchor. with the flockmasters of the United States. Even with high protection our sheep farmers have not prospered like taxed. The lords of the Democratic those in the countries named, and free trade will undoubtedly mean the death

The ruling of Judge Bellinger that long enough for that. a conviction may be had on the testimony of an accomplice will not hold goed in the practice of our state courts, because there is a decision of our supreme court that is opposed to it. In Oregon a man cannot be found was in force, very many accomplices, for the sake of the reward offered for In speaking of the situation in the arrest and conviction of criminals, Multnomah county and the indict- would perjure themselves. There is ments found against Sheriff Kelly and one case directly in point of the arrest Geo. B. Markle, president of the Ore- of Frank Hickey Bowen in Arkansas gen National bank, the Oregonian, last year for the murder of Col. Claywhile it clears these gentlemen from ton, on the evidence of a person who any criminal intent of appropriating claimed to have seen the act comany fund to their own use, makes the mitted, and to have had full knowledge following pertinent and sensible re- of the arrangements made for its commarks editorially in regard to the mission. The fact in the matter was "care of public money:" "The lesson that Bowen was in this city at the of this situation is one that was sure time Clayton was killed, and could not to come out of the conditions that possibly have had any connection with have so long been prevalent in our the murder. If the rule aunounced state. There has been a profit in hav- by Judge Bellinger had been in force ing control of public moneys, and the in Arkansas Bowen would have been custom has been handed down from found guilty of murder, and would

of this industry in the republic.

year to year, during a long period. have suffered the extreme penalty of fearful. The midwinter fair in San Francisco will be a great advertisement for the The lesson is that no one must expect | Pacific coast, as this will afford an opto make profit out of control of public portunity for this portion of the confunds. The principle will apply as tinent to show visitors the capacity of well to the state treasury as to the our soil and the natural resources of treasury of this county or city or any the region. Oregon, of course, will other. Danger always attends any be represented, and our fruits, which method of dealing with the public gained such notoriety at the world's ly and politically. funds for other object than that of ab- fair in Chicago, should take the lead bank or to a merchant, and the public and her northern neighbor should not official who supposes that he can allow lag behind in any matter which will any use of them in a private business, lead to a proper knowledge of reeven temporarily, commits a mistake sources. In this regard webfoot penuwhich is likely to wrong the public riousness should not control matters. and lead to its ruin. More stringent and a liberal expenditure will be adlaws must be made for protection of visable, as by this means our state public funds, as well as for protection | will become known and reap many adof officials against the temptation to vantages by our excellent exhibits. use them in the ways which custom | We need population, and we can sehas hitherto sanctioned. The lesson | cure this only by making known our new has been taught, and the amend- natural resources and the facilities we

AFRAID OF AN INCOME TAX.

The Democratic ship water and trying to dodge the rock of the income tax, says an exchange. A year ago they named this rock as one of their marks for pilots to steer by and put it down upon Grover Cleveland's chart as, together with a revenue tariff, guarding the only safe harbor for the Democratic party and also the United States government. It was a good marker to gather in some of the dissatisfied workingmen and farmers who thought the men of ia come ought to pay all the taxes. But since President Cleveland has by the aid of Broker Benedict become a man Salem has begun an injunction suit of income, there has been little heard from the White House about steering by the income tax.

The western and southern Democrats are still demanding that the pilot shall sail by this marker, but the mugwump allies and even the eastern Democrats from Boston and New York, in fact, from all points of New England where they are supposed to have no other occupation than clipping coupons, threaten to desert the ship if it undertakes to pass the lighthouse rock on which the income tax is the

Chairman Wilson, making his tariff bill to order, as directed from the White House, has not dared offend the mugwump allies and the eastern Demlegislature a bill should be introduced ecrats. There is no income tax in the and passed to remove the state capital celebrated tariff for revenue bill given from Salem to some more convenient to the public last week, but which is and central place. When this matter still under discussion in committee. is submitted to a vote it will be passed Some of the western and southern by a large majority, and the webfoot Democrats may introduce a separate bill, but it has ceased to be a marker pensities. This would have been done on the Democratic chart by which this years ago if any attempt bad been administration is sailing. Broker Benedict and Broker Benedict's best sien; but it remained a dead letter and patron are now men of incomes, and was only brought to life to defeat so are the men who furnished the am-Reseburg from being the location of munition of warfare to carry on the campaign a year ago. The Republicans have time and

of taxation, but it is rather amusing book; but the constitution should be to them now to see to what extremes amended in this regard, and a bill the mugwump allies and income Dempassed submitting the removal of ocrats go in their arguments against it. the state capital to a vote of the peo- The New York Herald actually grows hysterical in its denunciation, calling it "a relic of effete monarchies," out of Free traders claim that protection is harmony with the ideas of the present give, and which he had, only a few class legislation and tends to centralize century, a tax that "savors of royal days before, conspicuously evaded givwealth in the few. If they are asked for and imperial power and not of constiproof for this assertion they point to tutional and equitable self-governthe increase of millionaires in the last ment," "a part of the English system twenty-five years, since the Morril of taxation," and warning the country tariff bill has been in operation; but that it would be "an imitation of Engthey lose sight of the fact that during land." It encourages dishonesty and compels the government to resort to mulation of riches by comparatively "Paul Pry methods" with the treasury and have no scruples against the empoor men has been more marked, and department fostering "a hateful con- ployment of the most diabolical means that in a free-trade nation. There are spiracy of spies and informers in both in the investigation of this subject. In some of the Herald's objections, and is only one act of many that leaves no arrived here at 8 A. M. today. Immed-Great Britain manufacturers have since it was the New York Herald that doubt they are actively at work. Their nately upon entering the straits she was grewn wealthy, while in the United led the administration into adopting devilish hatred is no more pro- boarded by a United Press representa-States millionaires consist almost en- the Paul Pry methods with the old tirely of railroad kings. Our factory soldiers and fostering a "hateful conowners have not amassed wealth as spiracy of spies and informers" to folrapidly as other parties-those inter- lew the poor old pensioners, it is simested in industries that receive no ply another example of the man who benefit from duties on imports, and heated the poker for his enemy and

> The French revolution had its ception in the refusal of the lords to be party are taking the same attitude toward the rank and file of the party, but there will be no revolution. The Democratic administration will not live

> > RDITORIAL NOTES

Van Alen says "it was infamou treatment," and the president remarks: "It was malignant criticism." The great public, however, goes right along, guilty on such testimony alone, and rubbing in the facts. It was an apthis is as it should be. If such a rule pointment that never should have been made, and it is well that it has been been annulled. The people are yet in the repeal of the federal election laws,

We are reliably informed that when the returns for the year 1892 are completed, the money distributed at the various shipping points of Eastern Oregon for the different branches of sheep husbandry will reach \$2,800,000, and what is strange the recipients, espital, labor and trade, do not want to divide with Australia.

Blood must flow in Rio Janeiro, and a determined bombardment of that city has continued for the past two days. The news is very meagre; but undoubtedly there is great distress and suffering in the metropelis of South America. Such acts in this advanced age of the world are undoubtedly barbarous, and with the improved munitions of war the less of life will be

The holidays are approaching; but the Christian festival in this country will not be as joyful as formerly. Poverty and starvrtion have settled down upon hitherto happy homes, and the policy. Cullom then went on with his Christmas bells will not receive such a hearty welcome as on former more prosperous years. "Every cloud has a silver lining," and our citizens should he cheered by the hope that the future will show a decided "change' financial-

The political caldron appears to be solute safe-keeping. Such funds can in the bay city. California has always simmering, preparing to boil, and drifted into a discussion of the tinancial at no time be of any proper use to a been distinguished for her enterprise, slates are already beginning to be filled out. In this republican form of government it is always advisable to and at 4 o'clock adjourned until tomorllow coventions to make the nomina- row. ions, and not delegate this important duty to cliques and bosses. The representatives elected by the sovereign people to conventions will perform this faithfully, and sovereignty should be consulted sometimes under free in-

There have been several forenic tilts since congress convened, and the president has been unmercifully criti- most admits he drew lots with other an- as soon as the provisional government's passed with amendments. new has been taught, and the amendment will follow." The funds of the state, county or municipality should be a sacred trust with efficials, and the interest which accrues from their use should go into the public treasury.

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onder for the munderous work. Ten anarchists we was to defend who should undertake first Democratic senator has to be murderous work. Ten anarchists were with him in the galleries. They are insued 150 armed and determined men, who rendezoused at the old armery, marched to the building, and were stated to getter and even their lives in England, showing the and even the middle of the murderous work. Ten anarchists are determined men, who rendezoused at the old armery, marched to the building, of the committee, was government's of the committee, was government had been established, and acknowledged as such by all nations.

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self the power of a monarch before he can do this without the consent of con gress, and caezarism will not be toler ated in this republic by any political

The people in Uncle Sam's dominion den't like the Wilson tariff bill, but its authors can take satisfaction in the that it is "a wise and patriotic measstatesmen. The next cougress and the next president will not be elected by Canadian and English votes. Some of the English papers even go so far as to name Wilson as "prominent for the

ministration should huery up with its tags, and whenever a member arises to remark "I am a Democrat," the question should be goropounded at once, "Which kind?" and he should be tagged accordingly. Whether for or against queen making, for protection, or for tariff for revenue only," for an income tax or against it, for protection to sugar to please Louisiana, and a kick at pig iron to punish Pennsylva-vania and Michigan, and all the other questions of a more personal nature to his royal highness, who more than any president who has preceded him assumes responsibilities foreign to his

Nat. Blum, the fellow who turned state's evidence in the custom frauds in Portland, has unearthed a very nasty nest. If his testimony is to be credited the port of Portland must have been rotten to the core regarding violations of United States laws in reference to landing Chinese and smuggling opium, and it is a matter of some surprise that such Angean stables could exist under the noses of able and honest officials and the stench not be detected. It is charitable, at least, not to pass judgment until all the facts are in and a verdict rendered by the jury; and we hope this will prove that there was not as much corruption among the U. S. officials as Mr. Blum, a self-convicted felon, would lead the

Mr. Cleveland do about it? The senate unanimously demands of him a copy of the Hawaiian instructions, and if he declines to give the desired information he is liable to find himself in a very uncomfortable predicament. We can recall no previous instance in which a president has been called upon by either the house or senate, acting unanimously, for information which i was well known he did not want to ing. Not even Andrew Johnson nor John Tylor ever experienced a snub so direct and humiliating, for they always had some friends who staid by them to the last.

There is no doubt that anarchists who believe in the total destruction of the existing social and political fabric. to accomplish their ends, exist in every nounced against the Cortez of Spain or the legislative assembly of France Great Britain or the congress of the United States. Anarchists are enemies of mankind everywhere, and they should receive no more toleration in this free country than they do in mon-That bemb thrown into the cham-

per of deputies may prove to have been the very one to destroy anarchy. It has aroused not only the French authorities but those of England, Germany and America to the necessity of some international agreement that will enable them to stamp out this enemy of civilization. Calling anarchy a political crime has enabled many of the worst criminals to escape. It is a crime against all government, and its agents should be protected by no government. The men who throw dynamite at the czar, those who throw dynamite into a legislative assembly, and those who throw dynamite into a crowded theatre should all be treated alike, and there should be no spot on the earth where they are safe from the vengeance of the law they have tried to throttle.

TELEGRAPHIO NEWS.

Quite a Lively Tilt. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12-Senator Cul lom fired the first gun in the battle over and succeeded in drawing a sharp return fire from Hill of New York. After Hoar's second Hawaiian resolution had been laid over till tomorrow. Callom took the floor and spoke at length on the election repeal bill. He asked if the mandate of corrupt judge like Maynard should determine the complexion of a legislature machine and Maynard, and was interrup ted with a reminder from Hill that the

which elects a senator, or the brawn and muscle of a McKane control an elective representative in congress, and congress of its own members. In the course of his remarks, Cullom attacked the New York election referred to would not have controlled the New York senate, and whether or not there wes anything criminal in that election was irrelevant to the question. Cullom retorted that the action of Maynard inaugurated a scheme which resenator and the country that his statement was not a correct one.

Another colloquy ensued, Cullom main-taining and Hill denying that the result of the recent election was the indication speech, referring to the pulling down of the American flag at Hawaii, which could not have been accomplished by all the power of monarchied Europe, but which recommendation of a "newly baptized Democratic secretary of state." Stewart

Paris, Dec. 12-While Vailiant was named Graillat, afterward lynched there. Vailiant last week visited Abbe Lemire. and gave him a few francs. Vailiant al. | ded by the nignest cm

TELEGRAPHIC.

The New Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13-The schedules of the tariff bill were completed today by the ways and means committee, and a portion of the afternoon was devoted to united backing of the Canadian and the administrative features of the bill English press. They are unantmous The Republicans think the bill will not be submitted before Saturday next, while ure," which greatly honors Democratic the Democrats expect to submit it by Thursday. There is no certainty of s caucus of the house Democrats on the biil, as some of the Democrats most anto a caucus. Among the member signed the call for a caucus were: More Democratic nomination for president | gan, Cockrell, Richardson Smith of Arizona, Kyle, Capebart, Stockdale, Anderson, Washington, Culbertson, Hooker, Bell, Cooper, Gorman, Hayes, Hutcheson and Stone. No change was made to-day in the sugar schedule. The commit

tee changed the mait schedule again, in

creasing it from 25 to 30 per cent. The

duty on cut diamonds has been reduced

from 15 per cent in the first bill to 10 per

The Oregon National Bank. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12 .-- Lionel V stagg, who has been national bank examiner, was to day appointed receiver of the Oregon National bank. Stagge made his report to Controller Eckels, and, after going over the affairs of the bank, the re ceiver was determined upon. Eckels says the appointment was unsolicited, and was make because he believed Stagge was well qualified for the place. Mr. Stagge is the editor of Pacific Ban

er and Investor, He was appointed bank examiner last August by Controller Echels, and placed in charge of the Firs National bank of The Datles, which by his rapid work, gained the honor of being the first of the suspended banks in th state to resume business. He is a bright young man, and noder his direction the affairs of the Oregon National wi loubtless soon be straightened out.

A Mystery Cleared

ELLENSBURG, Wash., Dec. 12,-The mystery of the disappearance of Eric Ericson, a wealthy rancher, is believed to have been cleared up to-day by findurged to go over a river bank about 40 feet high. It is believed the horse refused and Ericson, in dismounting, tumbled into the river. This was indicated by several fresh abrasions on the bank Hooks wil! be used in the morning, and dynamite, if necessary. This disposes of the foul play theory.

Reseburg Criminal Notes

ROSEBURG, Or. Dec. 12.-Harry Lebn. herr and Otho Kenyon, two boys who were indicted for larceny from General Holmes, in Camas valley, were sentenced this morning by Judge Fullerton. Ken you received one year in the penitentiar Lebnberr was ordered for an unlim ited time to the reform school. The jury found M. S. Cobb guilty of an assault upon G. W. Rapp. The case of C. Judy, charged with the murder of Charles Ker. dig, at Loop lake was on trial to-day.

ROME, Dec. 12-The pope's encyclial on Bible studies holds that the Bible is inspired in whole and in detail, and that if it seems in certain points to be out of accord with science this is either due to bad interpretation or science is mis-

The Bible is the Truth

Hawaii Stands Pat.

tive who gleaned the following: Honoluin, Dec. 4.

Queen Liliuokalani has not been restored and there has been no trouble at

Since the last reports there have been but two things significant. The annex ationists held a mass meeting November 25, and adopted resolutions in effect appealing to congress to overrule President Cleveland, Gresham and Blount. For four days preceding the sailing of the Arawa the troops of the provisional gov-erament were busy fortifying and barris it was formally called.

At the unanimous and urgent demand of the American citizens the provisional throw them by the United States forces without authority from congress. Lead ing citizens will generally be foremost in

Concord and Bunker Hill are alive No surrender to a rotten Kanaka despotism or its Washengton abettors.

call, with large Maxim and Gatling bat-By Cleveland's arrangement with England the champion's redcoats are to land and protect the queen after the United

forces have seated her on the

A joint protectorate is planned, like

December 2. There is a general alarm and strengthening of defenses. Minister Willis is pledged to the government to Alameda, December 21. His instructions are still concealed. D.tails of the above are to be for-

An Open Letter to Gresham. San Francisco, Dec. 13-Charles L Carter, who visited the United States shortly after the Hawaiian revolution as ional government, has a .dressed an open letter to Secretary Gresham on the Hawanan question. The address is made with the consent of the provisional government, and is made public, the write nation of the state department to give a sulted in changing the character of the lation of the state department to give a legislature. Hill desired to inform the full exposition of the facts which are at its disposal. The letter is very long, and replies to every paragraph of Gresham's published letter to President Cleveland. Reterring to the landing of American troops Monday, January 16, Carter says:

citement or alarm in the city on Monday night, was due to the fact that American troops were on shore. Up to the moment of landing the agitation and uncertainty witnesses made statements to the contrary, I should like an attempt to cross examine them. As it was, there were two times and in different parts of the city, which but for the appearance of Lieuten-ant Swinburn and his squad might have increased to alarming proportious. To in-fer in the same paragraph of your report tered the government building as soon as the forces were landed, is grossly misleading, and had you given me the opportunity, so frequently asked in Washngton, of making a detailed statement of rrences. I cannot believe von

would have fallen into the error.' eized. Carter declares, until the followwho was among the deputies injured by the explosion of Vailiant's bomb. Abbe Lemire took Valliant's name and address, read as seon as the building was surrented as the seon as the seon as the building was surrented as the seon as

knowing we could not expect assistance, but finally went, and was not surprised

Speaking of President Dole's petition to Minister Stevens on Tuesday night for the protection of American troops, Carte says: "The request for the immediate support of the United States forces of its elf should indicate that up to that mo ment there had been no such support. and futhermore it was intended only for that night, and for the purpose of patrolling the town. Can it be possible that ply to that request was the second absolute refusal from Captain Wiltze?" Carter quotes Gresham's words the secretary spoke of the special commissioners sent to Washing on by the provisional government and where he said: "Their statements are ulterly variance with evidence documentary and oral contained in Mr. Bloom's report. Carter declares Greatum absolutely and persistently evaded any opportunity of statement. Carter also says he visited Gresham when the news came to America that Blount had hauled down the Ameri can flag at Honolulu, and that Gresham stated positive y that there was no intention of restoring the queen. Carter a.so

A Swede Sprung a Fatal Trap NEW WHATCOM, Wash., Dec. 13ohn Ericksson, a Swede, about 35 years old, was killed in a strange manner last night at a supposedly unoccupied cabin in the suburos, near Squaticum creek Together with a companion named Anderson he was en route to a place where he had been promised work on a county highway. They had their blankets with them, and believing the cable vacant, intended to eater and pass the night there Erlegson reached the door and undertook to pull off a board usiled across it, when the loud report of a gun was heard and he fell backward, crying. "I am killed."

reminds Gresham that this statement was

repeated in one of their later interviews,

when Gresham announced that Bount

would return to Washington in June.

A heavy charge of slugs had entered his abdomen and ranged upward, killing him almost instantly. The owners and recent occupants of the cabin, two wood choppers named Barr and Pixley, were away, and, as the cabin had been burgla rized several times, it is supposed they fixed the fatal trap within, intending to kill or seriously wound the next person who should attempt to enter during their

Firing on Rio Again

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13-The navy department has received a cable from Ric de Janeiro which says the big battle expected in the harbor has begun. Admiral de Gama, the insurgent commander, Copas island and Enchadas are continually firing on the custom-house and

MELLO AGAIN OUTSIDE BIO BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 13-Admiral Mello's flagship, Aquidaban is again blockading Rio Janerio. Communication between land and shipping in Rio bay has been stopped.

A FEDERAL GENERAL DISMISSED Advices from Rio say Gen. Argolo has been dismissed from the chief command of the fifth military district. Owing to the renewal of the blockade in the har bor by the insurgents, merchant vessels are not able to discharge cargoes and therefore have proceeded on their voy-

Depew Upholds Cleveland. LONDON, Dec. 13 -The Financial Times Depew, who is quoted as saving: "President Cleveland was right and silver was wrong. The tariff need not railroads. They will get along all right." Explaining the recent crisis, Depew said: "Business before the panic of 1893 was being conducted in the most conservative way within living memory. The panic is due to the fact that for the first time in 30 years the president was elected with a free trade policy and a possible majority of both houses. The majority which put Cleveland in was com-

of a populace wanting to change the ex-isting order of tnings. The Raging Waters.

TACOMA, Dec. 12-The flood that swept down the valleys between Tacoma and visited that section for five years. Thou-Renton, a distance of six miles, and for over two miles in width, is completely under water four to five feet deep. The Associated Press reporter returned from a trip through the valley last night. Thousands of acres of land are more or less damaged by rushing waters, which washed them clean, and in some places eft deposits of sand. A dozen houses and six county bridges have been washed away, but no loss of life is at yet known. The damage will run high into the thou-

San Francisco, Dec. 13-The steam mong the cargo stored in the hold. The cargo was discharged and the fire extinguished after two hours' labor. Only \$200 damage was done, but had the fire one was at sea, it is hard to say what might bave resulted.

Young Carin's Resent MISSOULA, Mont., Dec. 13-Ben Keely, the trapper, who assisted the Carlin country, claims the abandonment of Col. gate was a cowardly desertion, young Carlin having even refused to let Colgate have any lood, although he was at that time able to walk slowly. Keely's whole story is very derogatory to young Carlin, Himmelwright and Pierce. He is suing

The Coughlin Trint. CHIOAGO, Dec. 13-Testimony in the Coughlin case today largely consisted of the finding, identification and custody of the clothing taken from the sewer with Cronin's body, and alleged to be

Three Burned to Death. CHERRYFIELD, Me., Dec. 13-The welling-house of William Foss was urned last evening. Foss and his son Everett, aged 15, and grandson, Judson, ample time and is hardly hable to be ap-

New Silver Coinage Rill hairman of the finance committee of the enate, has introduced a bill for the coinage of the seigniorage silver in the reasury at the rate of \$2,000,000 a month. After this is all coined, monthly silver purchases of \$2,000,000 will be repointment of commissioners to anothe international monetary conference; referred to finance committee. elections have agreed to report the house bill repealing the federal election laws

It was agreed that when the senate adasi in charge, and l of the supreme court in Oklahoma wa

And be up with the times.

PELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Message on Hawati

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14 .- A correspon ent of the Baltimore Sun says, "The resident's message on Hawaii will be a omplete review of the whole question The president will show that the queen was overthrown by acts sanctioned by of the United States and was considered unjustifiable and unfriendly, it must be done. The president will probably say formally the proposition of annexation, and then to announce that the United States demanded that the queen be restored to power peacefully, but that if she was unwilling to be seated without the assurance of this government that sh would be protected from harm and retained in power by the United States. then to take no steps but to await instructions from the United States. The president will say the minister found the provisional government much stronger than was expected, being seated and its power increasing each day. All the contions were such as to prevent the car rying out of the instructions, and now that the president had exhausted his prerogatives of office to bring about a settle ment in Hawaii without calting upon the naval force to assist it, there was no other esort for the president but to leave the question for the further action of congress. It is believed the president will not diverge from his present policy. It is certain, however, he will nardly urge that force be resorted to.'

Stevens Talks on Hawati PORTLAND, Me., Dec., 14-Ex-Minis-Stevens delivered an address to the Portland Club last night on Hawaii among other things, he said. "The natives on the island, now numbering 34,000, are decreasing at the rate of 1000 per annum, and soon will be extinct. No greater evil could be inflicted on them than restoration. The charge the he missionaries have unlawfully taker land is unjust. The islands have been fairly won by 70 years work by Ameri Blount confined himself to a tim ited field of observation. Ot a large body of a fluential men he cared not to obtain information.

Stevens concluded by saying he be ieyed his hearers would prefer the policy pursued toward the islands by Jefferson. ackson, Grant, Blain, and of Cleveland of 1889, to that of Cleveland of 1893.

Murderous Robbers

HILLSBORO, Dec. 14-August Kempf. well-to-do farmer living in the foot sills about eight miles north of this place was brutally assaulted on the evening of December 12. Mr. Kempf is a bachelor his companion being a hired boy aged about 18. The boy had left the house with a lantern to attend to the chores at the barn when Kempf's attention w called by a rap at the door. No sooner was it opened than two men commenced beating him over the head. Managing to free himself, Kempf escaped into the adjoining room and by a back door made his exit from the house, giving the alarm.

An Indian Territory Murder. SEATTLE, Wash, Dec. 14,-Sheriff Woolery today arrested, at the Franklin coal mines, Sunney Luckey, a half-breed negro, wanted at Coweta, Indian territer for the murder of Dickson Scott, an jumped, and a few weeks later Scott tried to kill Sunney, but the latter shot first killing Scott. Scott was a member of a desperate gang which threatened to lynch Sunney, who, after remaining there several days, fled. He came here from Kansas City with the party of 400 ne-groes imported by the Oregon Imprevement Company, for which he has since worked. He is willing to return and stand trial if assured of protection from

In the House,

posed of all the heterogeneous elements WASHINGTON, Dec. 14-In the house, the committee on rules this morning decided to give the committee on territories time to dispose of the bills for the ad but no date was fixed. It is believed however, it will be taken on the 22d. After reading the journal, Dockery called up his bill to improve the methods and the entire country from O'Brien to of accounting in the posteffice depart ment, and senate joint reclution relieving the employees injured in the Ford's then ter disaster from operation of law, fixing the time for which sick leave may be

Alleged French Spies on Trial. LEIPSIG, Dec. 14,-The trial of two supposed French spies began today. Du . bois and Malyers were arrested last August at Kiel, on board the English yacht Insect, while making sketches of the German fortifications. Dubols has confessed he was employed to do this by a member of the French general's staff a professor Corona, which left yesterday for San of the war scademy, and the head of the Diego and way ports, was set on fire shortly before her departure by the igniting of two cases of matches, which were of their relations with the Ferneh ministry of marine, unless the public was exciuded from the courtroom. This was granted, and to morrow the pleadings of

> The Irish Dynamiters DUBLIN, Dec. 14 -Nolan and Mears whe were detained to testify at the sec ret inquiry into the Dublin dynamite plots, have been arrested on a charge of having murdered Patrick Reid, who was found at the Aldborough barracks. The arrests were not made on the strength o evidence obtained from the men themselves. The police officials, it is said, have unraveled a series of atrocious dy namite plots. It is expected that these plots will be partly disclosed at the trial of Meara and Nolin.

A Debt Caused Murder ASHLAND, Or., Dec. 14.-Last September these dispatches reperted the acci-Godfrey, at Deer Lick, on the Siskiyou mountain, south of Ashland, Godfrey elaiming the shorting was accidental and elaiming the shooting was accidental and the coroner's jury not finding othrwise. A ions that Godfrey killed Smith to avoid paying the latter money due him. Yes-terday the grand jury indicted Godfrey for murder. Godfrey left the country in

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