# **NEWS OF THE WEEK**

## In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

#### HAPPENINGS OF TWO CONTINENTS Bristol, if the tangle in Washington is

Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Week.

on the rebuilding of the Russian navy Cortelyou denies that he is a candidate for the Republican presidential pomination.

Wireless messages from the fleet show that it is making good progress in its journey south.

tel phone linemen. Electric power has been cut off at

Goldfield and the mines have had to suspend temporarily. Justice Gould has enjoined the Amer-

ican Federation of Labor from boycotting the Buck Stove & Range company. much progress in the Pettibone trial, past. He devoted nearly all of the

Johan Poulsen, of the InmanP-oulsen company, of Portland, told the Intermerce commission his company could make money even with the efforts of the land fraud ring to oust increased lumber rate on railroads.

labor troubles to be brought into the

Aon attempt was made to hold up a wanted to finish up the Oregon prose-Northern Pacific west bound train 10 cutions. miles east of Spokane. Later one man was caught and another wounded. Dy-

A Montana forest ranger has been

tack of tribesmen near Ain Sfa, Algeria. The Japanese ambassador to France denies that his country is after another

Carnegie would have the issue of paof government bonds.

foreign loan.

The Northern Pacific railroad will reduce grain rates from Montana points to St Paul and Minneapo is.

Findlay, Ohio, was badly shaken by the explosion of a glycerine factory Much property damage was sustained Hill told the Interstate Commerce commission that it means a loss of \$80

a car to keep the old lumber rate in

Secretary Taft is having a rough pass-

liquor business.

England has just been visited by severe storm.

The Colorado State bank, of Durango has suspended.

The revolutionary agitation is grow ing in Portugal.

The Yaqui Indians are again on the warpath in Mexico. The National Pank of Commerce,

Kansas City, will reopen. Japan and Russia have combined to

freeze China out of Manchuria. The bridal gifts of Marshall Field's

daughter were stolen in England. The peace conference of the Central American republics has been concluded.

Stotchmen in London are again adopting the kilt as a regular wearing

The East has just exeprienced a great storm. Heavy snow fell and many Premiums are being offered for the

new gold pieces without the motto "In

ed with laughter by the council. Commissioner of Indian Affairs Leupp says Indians are losing millions yearly in timber lands.

A house-to-house canvass at Monongab, W. Va., shows 18 still missing as a result of the mine disaster.

Plans are complete for re-organizing the Merchants' National bank at Portland and it is expected to open soon.

Francisco also admits that the evidence United States Circuit court. In its

of Ruef will be required to convict Cal-General Funsion finds the Goldfield

The American Can company has coned the United Can company, of San porations.

D. L. Anderson, president of the Foochow university, who has just returned to this country, says China is National Cooperative congress, which on the eve of a bloody revolution that was organized a out a year ago at a reckoned with.

get this organization into a fight with the Western Federation of Miners.

The campaign against rate is being kept up vigorously in San Francisco.

The Michigan state treasurer is to be

LAND FRAUD CASES.

Heney Plans to Begin Oregon Trials January 13.

Portland, Dec. 18 .- Francis J. Heney expects to prosecute John H. Hall, then Binger Hermann, and after that to give over the prosecution of other land fraud defendants to the Oregon district attorney, who will continue to be W. C. in a condition to be unraveled by Heney. The day set by Judge Wolverton A Resume of the Less Important but yesterday for beginning the trials is January 13. This will give Hency and Hermann, he will return to San The crar and the doums will clash Francisco in February, to resume the trial of Calhoun.

Heney will start for Washington this morning and will thence go to Tueson, Ariz., to try a civil case set for January 2. He said last night that Butte mobs have defied the Federal and straighten it out, if possible, the comed the delegates to Portland on becourt's orders and deported nonunion same way as he straightened cut a balf of that organization. In respondsimilar tangle early in 1906, when Senator Fulton was fighting confirmation of Bristol's nomination and the president had withdrawn the nomina-

Heney said last night that his graft prosecutions in San Francisco have absolutely prevented his presence in Ore-The state does not seem to be making gon for the land froud trials for a year Judge Wood will not permit Colorado years 1904 and 1905 to the Oregon cases. In January, 1906, Rudolph Spreckles urged him to take up the graft investigations in San Francisco, but Heney put them off until November, 1906, first, because he was compelled to go to Washington to defeat the Bristol, and next in July, because he

He was in Washington February and March, 1906, fighting Senator Fuiton's of the resolutions pas-ed at the recent namite and other explosives were also efforts to dislodge Bristol. In April he convention of the Oregon Woolgrowers' book case. But the San Francisco the Oregon congressional delegation a family in that city. The Hermann ing of manufactured goods and clothing, company, situated at Albany. Tallman French troops have repulsed an at- trial in Washington went over, on con- the object being to protect the public dit on that it should be held before the from shoddy and cotton counterfeits of Wolverton for January.

Heney declares Hermann will not be tions of all kinds. per money on the gold reserve instead acquitted in Portland. The trial, he

### RUEF ASKED TO PLEAD

Ex-Boss Suddenly Called Into Court

In Conspiracy Case. age across the Atlantic and his vessel yesterday before Judge Dunne, pleaded work for Ericson & Peterson, the conwill be a day or two late in reaching not guilty to the indictment jointly tractors, are doing more work than the cution, and when the clerk of the court demanded his plea, Ruef in a low voice

Both cases were then continued until

of Tirey L. Ford, he refused to go on than in any other branch. the stand to tell what he knew, unless the prosecution granted immunity This demand it was impossible for the and Judge Dunne had declared that he The lads knew nothing of the system

Work for Deep River.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 18 .- "Six feet of water from St. Paul to St. Lonis will be the slogan of 350 commercial clubs, industrial bureaus, merchants' leagues and boards of trade of Minne sota, which will send delegates to a convention on January 16 in St. Paul. on municipal affairs in Paris was greet. at which these organizations will federate for an active campaign for the and river improvement. It has become tion can bring about the imperatively needed deepening of the upper river.

Hearing in Powder Trust Case. Scranton, Pa , Dec. 18 .- The first hearing in the suit recently instituted by the United States against the socalled powder trust came up here ves-District Attorney Langdon, of San terday before Judge Archbold in the complaint the government alleges the existence of an agreement or combination to monopolize interstate and forsale of gunpowder and other high ev-

> Farmers' Co-operative Congress Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 18 .- The is making great headway, particularly ville. in some of the Southern state

Strikebreakers at Goldfield

Goldfield, Dec. 18 .- The first con signment of the strikehreakers, consist- close to \$13.000,000. The figures were removed for putting funds in a rotten ling of 45 men, arrived here to ay with- made public by County Assessor Nel- nominal. out the lea t bit of demonstration. The son, who has made an increase of about

# OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

DAIRYMEN MEET.

Successful Two-Day Convention Held Department Heeds Demands of Joh in Portland.

Portland-The most important meet-January 13. This will give Heney when the Oregon State Dairy association new reserve are the John Day river on about three weeks in Portland, postion held its deliberations. The conthe north, previous withdrawal on the sibly longer. After the trials of Hall vention hall was crowded at both days' east, former lines on the south, irreg

attracted large crowds. The corvention was called to order Steckmen rejoice at the change. his mission to Washington had noth at 10 o'clock Thursday by President E. ing to do with the Bristol matter, but T. Judd, of the a sociaion. Tom Richdid not deny that he would look into it ardson, of the Commercial club, weling to the address of welcome President Judd thanked the Commercial club for river into Curry county. This particular its reception and its efforts in making lar stretch of road will open up a wide this meeting of the association a sucstate has reached in the last few years, 10 per cent of the proceeds will be diand said that this was the first time in the history of the state that the dairy ing the permanent means of keeping up industry had received the recognition schools. About \$5,000 has been approits importance should command and priated to be used in developing the would fully pay the cost of promotion. highway, and it is expected that con-Papers were read by prominent gress will set aside \$5,000 more to be dairymen and others from all parts of used on this project.

## WANT BRAND ON ALL SHODDY

Woolgrowers Working for Protection of the Industry.

Pendleton-In accordance with one was to prosecute Hermann in the letter association, the recretary has sent to earthquake cau-ed him to hurry to his request for an act compelling the brandone in Portland set yesterday by Judge woolen goods. The pure food law is cited as an example that it is right for Hermann was acquitted in Washing- the government to protect the people on, says Heney, by "influences," but from frauds, counterfeits and adultera-

says, will be a repetition of that which time calls for the retention of the import its inder-ement of the action of the reled to the conviction of F. P. Mays duty on wool, woolen fabrics, hides, cent conference of state railroad com-The evidence and the witnesses will be meat and meat animals, with the ob- missioners and representatives of some the same, since Hermann was involved ject of continuing the present prosper- of the most important electric railway good rather than evil. the same way in the famous Blue ous condition of the wool and livestock systems in the country held at Washindustry.

Men Do More Work.

Klamath Falls,-J. D. Church, assietant engineer of the Southern Pacific, has just returned from the end of the California Northeastern railway tric railroads. San Francisco, Dec. 18. - Abe Ruef, and states that the 450 men now at

Embryo Farmers Interested. Albany-Linn county school children replied, in conjunction with Dinan, are taking great interest in the new subject of agriculture, the teaching of Dinan also pleaded not guilty to the which was begun this fall. No experindictment charging him with perjury. ment work has yet been begun in this Horticultural society with the officers county, but in the seventh and eighth of the State Horticultural society, in grades in all the schools of the county Eugene, the first week in January. That Ruef is to feel the weight of the one recitation each day is required in President W. K. Newel and Secretary big stick for his refusal to testify in the an agricultural text book. Reports re- H. M. Williamson, of the state board, United Railroads cases, is now prac- ceived by Co nty School Superintend will be here to address the meeting, tically certain. When his testimony ent Jackson state that probably greater and there will be some members of the was wanted most, during the two trials interest is manifested in this study faculty from the Agricultural college in

**Boys Construct Wireless** 

Astoria-Astoria has a new wireless been inclined to do so, as he had school boys, and while it is crude in descriptions of various plants in magaiznes. In constructing their plant, station. they trimmed all the limbs from a tree on the hill and strung wires from its top to an old house in the vicinity. As vet they have no sending instrument. but they are able to intercept messages from North Head.

Water Reaches Hermiston Hermiston-Water in the distributng system of the government project promotion of Northwestern interests, has reached Hemiston. A good flow in and river improvement. It has become the A line heralded the coming of obvious that nothing but concerted ac- water for irrigation next reason and activities under the Umatilla government reclamation project are under full per pound. headway. The water traversed the big feed canal a distance of 26 miles to the reservoir gate, where it was turned pounds, 5@6%c. through what is known as the by-pass into the distributing system of ditches.

November Ideal Month

Burns-November was a month of deal fall weather in Harney. There were two flarries of snow, on November 16 and 23, but they were followed by eign commerce in the shipment and pleasant sunshine and the snow disappeared in a few days. There has been plosives. The defendants include a a great deal of fall plowing done and trol of the Pacific coast, having absorb- large number of individ als and cor- the amount of winter wheat sown this year is double that of any year in the history of the country.

B F Mulkey Has Resigned.

Ashland-Announcement has been nade at the state normal school here

Timber Made to Pay Tax.

of Clackamas county property is very per bundred. The great fleet of warships is all men went quietly to different mines and were assigned to their positions. Fifty additional atrikebreakers are expected tomorrow.

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CHANGES FOREST BOUNDARIES

Dap Stockmen.

John Day-Cy J. Bingham has re ing of dairymen ever held in the state ceived his commission as acting forces of Oregon was that which convened last supervisor for the Malheur national Thursday and Friday in Woodmen of forest reserve, with headquarters at the World hall, on Eleventh street, John Day. The boundaries of the ressions with delegates and others in- ular lines running near the center of terested in the development of the townships in range 27 on the west, dairy industry. The hall in the base- Heppner forest is extended to the John ment of the Woodmen building, in Day river and headquarters removed to which dairy products and the most ap- Monument. The remaining portion of proved dairy machinery were displayed, the western division is renamed Deschutes and beadquarters at Prineville

New Road Is Under Way Grants Pass-The government making good progress under the direct superposition of the local forestry service, in extending a road down Rogue this meeting of the association a suc-cessful one. The speaker referred to the important position dairying in this When this work has been completed. verted to the school fund, thus increas About \$5,000 has been appro-

Albany-Albany is to have another flourmill. In the next few weeks a day will be established by E. A. Johnyears has been secretary of the Albany Farmers' company. The two men have consummated the purchase of the three warehouses of the Albany Farmers' and Tangent, and in addition to carry ing on a warehouse business, will oper ate a flourmill in one of the local buildings of the old company.

Inderses Uniform Accounting. Salem-Upon telegraphic inquiry the Another resolution passed at the same Oregon Railroad commission has wired ington, D. C., Novembe 22 in deciding to present to congress the necessity of cooperation of the Interstate Commerce commission with the state rallway commissions looking to the adoption of a uniform system of accounting for elec-

Request Railway Service. Salem-A large number of farmers the service.

Eugene-Plans are under way for an important meeting of the Lane County

No Depot for Suver.

Salem .- The state railroad commisprosecution to grant, even had they telegraph station that was built by slon has turned down the proposition to give the people of Saver better depoi pleaded guilty to the extortion charge its construction, it works successfully, facilities. The business of the station would never allow the ex-bors to escape except what they gleaned from reading and the people of Wells, two miles from there, have in a petition for a

### PORTLAND MARKETS.

Whest-Club, 80@81c; bluestem, 82 @83c; valley, 8 @81c; red, 78@79c. Oats-No. 1 white, \$28: gray, \$28. Barley-Feed, \$27.50; brewing, \$31;

Corn-Whole, \$32; cracked, \$33. Hay-Valley timothy, No. 1, \$16; Eastern Oregon timothy, \$20@23; clover \$15; cheat, \$15; grain hay, \$15@ \$16; alfalfa, \$15; vetch, \$14. Butter-Fancy creamery, 35@37%c

Veal-75 to 125 pounds, 814@9c 125 to 150 pounds, 7e; 150 to 200 Pork-Block, 75 to 150 pounds, 6@

6 %c; packers, 6@6 %c. Poultry-Average old hens, 11@12 per pound; mixed chickens, 11c; spring chickens, 12e; roosters. 8e; dressed chickens, 12@13c; turkeys, live, 15e; dressed, choice. ge se, live, 8@9c; ducks, 121/@131/c; pigeons, \$1@1.50; squabs, \$263. Ezgs-Fresh ranch, candled, 35@ 37 %c per dozen.

Fruits-Apples, 75c@\$2 per box peaches. 75c@\$1 per crate; pears, \$1.25 @1.75 per box; cranberries, \$9.50@12 per barrel.

Vegetables-Turnips, 75c per sack carrots, 65c per sack; beets, \$1 pe mack; beans, 7@9c per pound; cabbe be per pound; cauliflower, 75c@\$1 per will mark her entrance into the parlia- meeting held in Topeka, heagn its au- that President B. F. Mulkey would re- dozen; celery, \$3 50@3.75 per crate; ment of the world as a power to be nual session here today. The congress tire from the institution on January 1 onions, 15 @ 20c per dozen; parsley, 20c is made up principally of farmers' or- and will engage in the law and abstract per dozen; peas, 11c per pound; pep-Goldfield mineowners have withdrawn their new scale and opened negotiations with the American Federation
of Labor. The object seems to be to tomatoes, \$1.50 per box.

Onions-\$1.75@2 per hundred. Potatocs-50@65c per hundred, de-Oregon City-The assessed valuation livered Portland; sweet potatoes, \$2.50

Hops-1907, 5@7c per pound; Wool-Eastern Oregon average best ROOSEVELT AS A SAINT.

Russian Peasants Worship Picture President

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Americans think a great deal of President Theo-dore Roosevelt, but it has been reserv-ed for the Russian peasants settled in Eastern Siberia to reverence the well known picture, which shows the gleam of teeth, as that of a saint. That they do so is asserted to be a fact by Alex-ander G. Denbigh, who arrived on the teamer Siberia, and is now staying at the St. Francis botel.

"The people there are of the lowest class of Russian peasants, and know nothing about the cutside world," said Denbigh. "In every house, no matter how poor it may be, there is sure to be an ikon of some kind, and if it is possible for the owner of the place, be also has a picture of a saint.

"The picture of our president has gone over the world, and can be found in many queer places. I remember asking one of my men from the Ural nountain district, who had never heard of Roosevelt, what picture he had in his tent. He at once told me that it was one of St Peter-without to see such a picture, I went to the hut and found that it was a chromo of the president of the United States. man assured me that he had the best of good fortune since he had obtained the the Mayflower, personally led the magpicture of the 'holy saint.' "

#### MEXICO'S ANNUAL EXPENSE

What It Costs to Conduct Affairs of Southern Republic.

Mexico City, Dec. 17 .- In congress resterday the report of the minister of through the wide-swung capes of Vir finance was read and the budget for the ginia, he turned aside and, coming year was made public. The ee- anchor again, reviewed the passing timated receipts for the coming year pageant. tures will reach \$103,203.842, leaving green sea miles, the glistening of spot-an estimated surplus of \$181,158. The plant with a capacity of 50 barrels a an estimated surplus of \$181,158 The total increase of this year's budget is hwaves, the cheering of salors affoat and son, who now operates a saw mill at \$6,595,275, the largest item in the in- friends ashore, the breeze-blown strains Drain, and P. B. Marshall, who for crease being for \$1,367,589 for main of "Auld Lang Syne," floating across tenance of the department of war.

f \$14,077,989. The surplus of tained that the recent crisis in the assemblage of first class battleships ever United States would make itself felt in gathered in one command.

There will not be a ship in the line vestments would be curtailed. Interest rates are higher, but this would on- to have taken the shot of Manila ly affect mining industries. He believ- Santiago-stories written scarcely 10 ed that in the end it would work for

#### RELIEF FOR VICTIMS.

Committe faking Contributions to Be Sent to Mononga.

permanent relief committee, headed by yesterday's naval display was the most Governor Dawson, to provide for the impressive they had ever seen. The widows and orphans in distress through facility with which the big vessels were the recent explosion at the mines of handled, the manner in which they 1,100 men they were working last sum- and shippers residing between Tallman the Fairmont Coal company at Monon- were maneuvered into single column charging him with Jerry Dinan, ex- mer. The grade between Bray and the and Shelburn, in Linn county, have gah, today prepared an appeal for funds formation, and the perfect alignment Goldfield mineowners have asked the chief of police, with conspiracy. The first townsite, Moant Hebron, is about complained to the railroad commission that is being sent to chambers of com which was mainta ned to the southward overnment to dissolve the Western charge against Ruef has been continued completed, and Mount Hebron may re- because the Southern Pacific has abanharbor appropriations by congress for ant be forced to plead his action came the grade very easy, that town may be a bridge wa-hed out about a year ago.

The farmers want the commission to nongah, and chairman of the commission to nongah. The farmers want the commission to order the railroad company to renew tee, looking after the temporary wants will bring it to Trinidad on Christman

of the victims. we and 1,000 children are left without be held. Hundreds of good-bye teleany means of support. As near as can grams were fla-hed to the ships by be determined. \$50,000 from all sources wireless telegraph as they left the road les teen subscribed. The committee stead and had turned down the southfe 1. that a total of \$200,000 will be re- ern coast. quired to carry on the relief work. All These vessels made up the fleet which checks should be made payable to the sailed yesterday under command of Monongah Mines Rehef committee, J. Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans:

Rich Oil Strike. Santa Barbara, Cal,. Dec. 17 .- A tel ephone message from Santa Maria, 50 sey. 14,948 tons; Rhode Island, 14,948 miles north of here, brought the information this afternoon that the Union Oil company had struck a wonderful gusher which threw a vast stream of petroleum over the derrick and continned to flow at the rate of 7,000 barrels a day. At the present price of oil this means \$3 500 a day from this one well This is the second largest gusher ever struck in California. The largest was a 10,000-barrel well, but it has since declined considerably.

New Use of Fpsom Salts

New York, Dec. 17 --- Announcement of the discovery of the new anaesthetic, according to the American today, will soon be made by the Rockefeller Instiansesthetic is nothing else than plain, ommon salts. or, to give it its schentific name, sulphate of magnesia. It was discovered by Dr. Samuel J. Meltezer, one of the Rockefeller experimenters. Its greatest value is that it permits any sort of operation without any danger to the heart of the patient, as is the case with other anaesthetics.

St. Paul, Dec. 17 .- A special from Des Doines, Iowa, says that Governor Cummins, of Iowa. referring to his suggested candidacy for the Republican sion, the estimates varying all the way presidential nomination, said: "I have from 40 to 60. The work of rescue has no thought of surrendering my candidacy for United States senator. The suggestion about the presidency is new anything that will take me out of the fifth or the sixth right entrance. ace for senator."

Flat Money Saves Life

San Rafael, Cal., Dec. 17 .- Stewart Dunbar, a prominent insurance broker of Honolulu, while on his way to meet party of friends last night, fell through a cattle guard on the narrow gauge tracks of the Northwestern Pacific railroad and caught his foot so that he would have been crushed to death beneath an approaching handcar had he and used it for a danger signal

London, Dec. 17 .- The gale slong he British coast on Friday and Saturlay, which was described by Captain fameeon, of the steamship St. Louis, as the worst in his experience, subsidthe loss of some 40 lives.

# BIG FLEET IS OFF

Sixteen Battleships Start Out for Pacific Ocean.

# ARE REVIEWED BY PRESIDENT

ight is One That Brings Forth Ad miration of Every Epectator. Many Being Foreigners

Old Point Comfort, Va., Dec. 17 .-Sixteen hard hitting, steel belted Amer ican battleships, guns bristling anburly of girth, but sparkling white in their immaculate dressings of peace. started away yesterday under the das sling sun of a cloudless winter sky, or their famous twin sea expedition o he beard and with spees on. Curlous 14,000 miles along foreign shores and in changing climes to the west coast of the United States. President Roose velt, on the bridge of his cruiser-yacht, uificent four-mile line of fighting vesels during first stage of the voyage From the anchorage grounds in Hamp ton Roads to the Horeshoe bend of Chesrpeake bay his eagle-created flag of blue pointed the way to the fleet's new home at the Golden Gate. Then, when the wide reaches of the sea were visible

The blue of the sky, the stretch o the waters, the blare of trumpers, the The revenues for the facal year just ruffle of drums, the flash of signals and ended total \$114.062,000, the expendi-tures \$100 208,132, leaving a surplus the departure of the fleet, presenting to the the people who watched it a spectacle previous year, \$29,049,081, and the they will never forget and to the world falling off of the past year, was due to at large the reality of the trimmest, large sums spent in public works—\$17.- most homogeneous, most thoroughly Min eter Limanteur main- equipped, mest mobile and selfrellant

old enough to have smelled powder or years ago in the history of nations. All we'e modern of design, examples of the aggrees ve seagoing navy which the president has declared to be so essential to the peace of the country.

Attaches of foreign legations and em bassies at Washington and many correspondents who have seen war service Fairmont, W. Va., Dec. 17 .- The on foreign journals freely declared that government to dissolve the Western charge against Ruef has been continued completed, and Mount Hebron may refederation of Miners and prosecute it from time to time for the last six main the terminus of the road for this doned its train service between the over the country. Contributions of est admiration. The thrill of the beaumonths and when Assistant District winter. However, as Dorris is only 13 two towns named. The complaint reclothing, toys for the orphans at Christtiful marine picture was felt until the gard Liquor men propose to fight river and Attorney took asked that the defend- miles distant from Mount Hebron and cites that traffic was abandoned because mas time and similar donations are to last wind blown spiral of smoke was

eve, and there, amid the heat of the Then she would pursue either one The appeal says that fully 250 wid- tropics, the Christmas celebrations will

E. Sands, treasurer, Fairmont, W. Va. | Connecticut, 16,000 tons; Louislans, 16,000 tons; Kansas, 16,000 tons; Vermont, 16,000 tons; Georgia, 14,948 tons; Virginia, 14.948 tons; Ner Jertons: Minnesota, 16,000 tons; Ohio. 12,500 tons; Maine, 12,500 tons; Mis souri, 12,500 tone; Alabama, 11.525 tone; Illinois, 11,525 tone; Kearearge, 11.525 tons; Kentucky, 11,525 tons; Culgoa, supply ship, 5,725 tons; Glacier, supply ship, 7,000 tons; Panther, repair ship, 3,380 tone; Yankton, tender, 975 tone.

of the sailing of the Atlantic fleet of the United States navy has not been received by the newspapers of Tokio or by the government officials. All public men who have been interviewed by the the defunct Milwaukee Avenue State Associated Press representative accept bank were freed today when Judge tute for Medical Research. The new the sailing of the fleet as a foregone Windes held that the statute under conculsion and it is not likely that the actual start will cause the slightest ripple of excitement. Everyone accepts Lister, Marcus Kirkeby, Frank R. the assurances of friendship offered by Crane and E. L. Johnson are the men America concedes the right of that nation to send its warships to the Pacific

Another Mine Explosion

Yolande, Ala., Dec. 17.-A disas trous explosion took place in mine No. 1 of the Yolande Coal & Coke compan at 10:25 o'clock this morning. It is impossible to tell at this hour how many are dead as a result of the explobeen extremely slow because of the debris in the mines and the large crowd of women, children and sightseers at here, although I have heard about it in the opening. The explosion is now Oregon and Washington to organize other states. I do not intend to do known to have occurred in either the growers of those states, and, when such

Seattle, Dec. 17 .- A special from Fairtanks, Alaska, says: Today the Washington-Alaska and First National bank of Fairbanks will go on a clearing house basis. Only \$50 a day with A committee of depositors representing the Fairbanks Banking company, which recently closed its doors, reported today that the assets exceeded the liabiliites ot ignited a clearing house certifiate by \$354,815 and the bank will probably open on a clearing house bas's scon.

Gold Movement \$105,350,000 New York, Dec. 17 .- The Guarantee additional \$1.600,000 in gold for im- who died in 1857, and title to 208 acres ed yesterday. It was responsible for port. This makes the total movement \$105,350,000.

WILL DO NOTHING

Small Chance Congress Will Reform Currency

Washington, Dec. 16 .- It can be tited on the highest authority that if he subcommittee of the house committee on banking and currency now dealing with the subject can have its way no effort will be made by the present congress to adopt legislation remedial of the present financial condition. he energies of that committee will be lirected toward the framing and passwe of laws more general in character and which will be intended to preclude hrinkage of the circulation, entailing

widespread financial distress.

The subcommittee held a four hours' conference today with its chairman, Representative Fowler, of New Jeresy, which the bill which the subecmnittee has undertaken to draft was arnestly discussed, but no decision as to its precise character and scope w s reached. It is not likely the subcomnittee will be ready to report on the all until after the holidays. Men high n the world of finance will be given an pportunity to appear before the comnittee to present their views on the

proposed measure. Much time will be spert in both the ouse and senate in considering the bill when reported, and it is the hope of he members of the banking committee that the finances of the country will have to adjusted themselves by that time that there will be no necessity for legislation looking to the correction of present conditions.

WOMEN IN TERROR

Aireid for Their Lives Until Troops Arrived in Goldfield.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 16 .- Delegations from the Woman's club, of Goldfield, and from the chamber of comnerce, Merchants' as ociation and Mining exchange called on General Funston his afternoon to acquaint him further with the conditions which have prevailed in Gold eld previous to the coming of the United States troops and the situation which led to the sending of Governor Sparks' dispatch to Washin ton asking that treeps be sent here. The isit of these delegations doubtless was because of the efforts that are constantly being made to have the troops

General Funston said, after the conferences were over, that the statements were a revelation, especially those made by the women, who are wives of promnent citizens of Goldfield. The state ments, he said, showed that for days the women of Goldfield had lived in a sta e of constant terror, until the coming of the troops though no instances of anything more than trivial annoyances were cited.

MAKE CANADA INDEPENDENT

Destiny is Union With United States

or Morarchial Independence Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 16 .- The independence of Canada is now being open y discussed and in a measure promoted before some of the most important putic bodies of the dominion. \_ Today the idea of Canada as a nation is looming large on the public mind, and it has in a very short space of time marvelonsly changed public sentiment in that re-

Speaking before the Canadian club at three courses-a union with the United States as an independent republic, a union with Great Britain as an independent monarchy with her own sovereign, or an independent monarchy with allegiance to the British sovereign Canadian opposition against the imper'al government was directed not against the king, but against the colo-

nial secretary, who is generally ignorant of colonial matters

Long List Yet to Harg. St. Peter-burg, Dec. 16 -The authorities have just comp'eted their invertigation of the daring terrorist robbery of October 27, 1906. Thirteen men already have been executed for connection with this outrage, and 80 others are to be tried for con plicity. The robbery of October 27 was a daring affair. band of 15 revolutionists attacked cashier of the custom house who was proceeding in a carriage from the sub-Tokio, Dec. 17.—The announcement with a bomb and made their escape

with \$193,000. Bankers Go Scot Free

Chicago, Dec. 16 .- Five directors of which they had been indicted is unconstitutional. Michael A. Labuy, Josh who profit by the decision. Paul O. Stensland, president of the bank, and Henry Herring, cashier, who found guilty of embezzlement and are now serving terms in the sate prison, will not be affected by the decision.

Agree on Incorporation

Santa Rosa, Cal., Dec. 16 .- Articles of incorporation and by-laws of the Pacific Coast Hopgrowers' union, the purpose of which is the combination of hopgrowers of California, Oregon and Washington, were adopted here today. A committee was also named to visit organization is effected, 10 of the 15 directors are to resign and give place to five from each of the states mentioned.

Buy Ties in Hawaii

Los Angeles, Dec. 16 .- The Santa Fe Railroad company has just contracted for 5,000,000 road ties in Hawaii, the biggest contract ever let for such material to be shipped by water. The shipments may result in the establishment f a freight steamship line between San Pedro and Honolulu. The Southern Pacific may also place similar orders in

Old Suit Cleared Up.

St. Louis, Dec. 16 .- The decision of Trust company today announced the a jury in the Probate court today on an engagement of \$500,000 in gold for import. Lazard Freres have engaged an will of Solomon P. Sublette, a pioneer of land in the southwestern part of St. Louis, valued at \$2,500,000, is cleared.