In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Resume of the Less Important but Not Less Interesting Events of the Past Weck.

a mine near Eureka, Utah.

A great forgery of railway stock has been revealed in New York.

Harvard university has announced a

set of revised football rules. A fire at Schenectady, New York,

destroyed \$100,000 worth of property. Fire destroyed the Wormwood warehouse, Boston, entailing a loss of \$125,-

Hermann's trial has been definitely and exports. set for the last week in March. The hearing will be in Washington.

Russia has secured a loan of \$50, 000,000 from Fren h bankers, giving the state railroads as a guarantee.

A stamppede is on to Manhattan, 80

miles northeast of Goldfield, Nevada. Gold has been discovered in large quan-A Parsi cable car descending an in-

cline got beyond control. Fifteen passengers were injured, three danger-A new Methodist church is to be

bulit in Chicago which is to be the tallest in the city. The structure will cost \$1,000,000. The United States government con-

which a likely at any time to be the scene of an anti-foreignoutbreak.

France protests against a fresh insult

Germany fears that war will follow

King Edward has called for the election of a new parliament.

and sik. His trial will occur in Feb-

lengthy report on the Panama canal to facts.

The annual report of the Panama A British merchant has been arrested

by Russian authorities and imprisoned An expedition will be sent to Siberia

the revolutionists. The State Normal school of New York

has been destroyed by fire. The loss will reach \$200,000. A landslide at Haverstraw, New

Sixteen persons were killed. Fighting still continues in Santo Domingo. In a recent engagement 150

The Chicago council is investigating a graft from which contractors are said to have obtained \$5,000,000 of the

city's money during the past decade.

progress.

Five men were killed near Chicago by the explosion of a ton of dynamile.

to meet March 3.

The governor of Ohio was inaugurated in a glass cage owing to delicate health.

on the right track in the Steunenberg Brooklyn navy yard for tugs. David H. Mffoat says he will extend

the Denver, Northwestern & Pacific railroad to Portland. More evidence in the Smoot case is to be taken by the senate committee

on privileges and elections. abroad during 1905. Nearly \$200,-000,000 went to Japan alone,

H. H. Rogers, of the Standard Oil Caspar, Wyo. company, has defled the Missouri law by refusing to answer questions con-

cerning the oil business. As a result of a collision on the

the Christmas festivities.

No more Jamaicans will be allowled to go to Panama to work on the canal.

The house and sentae are sure to clash over the appropriation of money.

Fire in the heart of Kansas City destroyed three blocks. The loss will reach \$500,000. No lives were lost.

the Philippines, has reached Bermuda, are facing starvation. Crops have been

provisions. Witte is accused of nullifying the

concessions to the Liberals.

Jerome is preparing to indict big fish. in insurance companies in February. several thousands of dollars. The small men are expected to turn state's evidence.

Two commissioners of the Chinese

SECOND IN TRADE.

Immense Volume of Business With Germany During 1905.

Washington, Jan. 9 .- Trade between the United States and Germany, whose ommercial relations are now the subect of negotiations between the two contries, aggregated in the fiscal year ssued today by the bureau of Statistics of the department of Commerce and Labor, says:

"The imports from Germany were Two men were killed by a caye-in at year the total was over \$214,000,000, election for supreme judge by each particle to this decrease in 1905 compared with the landholders. In Idaho the land-1904 baving occurred in raw cotton and being due altogether to a fall in prices, country increased \$10,000,000 in the per cent might come from one county, same time.

"Germany stands second in the

"Manfactures are the bulk of the \$118,000,000 worth of merchandise imported from Germany.

"In manufactures, especially copper, mineral, leather, scientific instruments and certain manufactures of iron and steel, our exports to Germany show a steady growth. The value of copper in bars and plates exported from the nited States to Germany amounted to over \$14,000,000.

WILL TRY TO GET FACTS.

Missouri's Attorney General Says He Independent Telephone Companies of Does Not Expect Much.

New York, Jan. 9. - Attorney General Hadley, of Missouri, said tonight that he would probably ask for a hear- resentatives of the independent teletinues to prepare for trouble in China, mine whether H. H. Rogers and other tion. It will be known as the Oregon The kaiser is confined to his bed with directors of the Standard Oil company Independent Telephone association, and before Commissioner Sanborn regarding other states of the Union and affiliated the control of oil companies operating with the national association of indein Missoviri.

"I confess," he says, "that I did not have much hope when I came here encourage development; foster and that the Standard Oil directors would stimulate the growth; protect the mutell about the Standard Oil control of tual interests; promote and systemathe Waters-Pierce Oil company and two tize uniformity of accounting, opera-Binger Hermann is in Washington other companies operating in Missouri, tion, maintenance and construction of but since they have appeared in answer to subpoenas, I shall make the best President Roosevelt has submitted a effort I can to have them tell the

"I don't care, of course, to have any body committed for contempt. I shall Railway company shows an earning of ask the court to have the witnesses directed to answer certain questions which they have declined to answer. If the court orders them to answer and they still refuse, I shall have to leave to the court the question of contempt.

"A refusal to answer in such a case

KENTUCKY IS RAMMED.

York, carried eight houses with it. Battleship Runs Aground in Fog in New York Harbor.

New York, Jan. 9, - While the battleship squadron under command of sea today, the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky ran aground in the harbor off the West Bank light house. The Alabama and Illinois were following next in line, and before they could alter their course, the Alabama collid-A civil war is in progress in Ecuador. ed with the Kentucky, striking her a The trial of Annapolis hazers is in glancing blow. The Illinois just got clear of the tangle and proceeded down the bay, anchoring outside the bar with

The Russian doums has been called the flagship Maine. The starboard side of the Kentucky above the water line was quite badly damaged. She will come up to the navy yard tomorrow for repairs. The accident occurred shortly after 1 P. M. The Alabama stood by to render assistance to the Kentucky and Kearsarge from his plant about 12 miles distant, Idaho officers are confi lent they are and wireless messages were sent to the

Road Through the State.

Eureka, Cal., Jan. 9 .- F. L. Evans, a civil engineer, claiming to be backed by one of the transcontinental ratifroad liam county, belonging to J. W. Booth. magnates, has proposed to build a rail- The transaction, which involves about road from Eureka east to Caspar, \$15,000, is one of the most important Much American money was lent The proposed route is from Eureka, and gives Mr. Hollen a most valuable Wyo., there to connect with four lines. real estate transfers for some time here, the terminus, to Delta Trinity river, farm and stock ranch. In the deal Mr. striking Pitt river, following that Booth takes residence property in Con-Alfred F. Norton, who has been stream through the Sierra Nevada don valued at about \$5,000, consisting conducting a greery store at Indianap mountains, touching Alturas, thence of several fine dwellings. Mr. Hollen \$13.50@14.50 per ton; valley timothy, at will. Officials at the war office deolis "as Christ would," has gone bank- to Lakeview and Vale, in Oregoo, is proprietor of the Condon Flouring \$9@10; cheat, \$8.50@

Place for Consumptives.

Boston, Jan. 9 .- Mayor John F. Fitzgerald, who presided at the meeting father, Peter Karstens, lives three have passed the board of aldermen, and States land office, Portland, January 85c@\$1 per sack. will soon after receive his signature. 26. There are numerous homesteaders; Onions-Oregon, No. 1, \$1@1.25 per crowded at nearly all the lectures.

Floods Destroy Cro ps.

Mazatlan, Mex., Jan. 9 .- According to Ignacie Feunte, government director The drydock Dewey, on its way to that town and the surrounding country weather as a general thing has been de- 13% c per pound; springs, 12% @14% c; in the town of Apomet, the people of where a stop was made for coal and almost entirely destroyed by the recent inundations, and the roads have been rendered impassable. Thousands of ley cities—Salem, Eugene, Albany, In-, choice, 17620c; gress, live, 9@11c; cattle perished in Northern Singles as dependence and Corvallis-have spent ducks, 15@16c. the result of the flood. The loss a portion of the winter at the seaside, Hops-Oregon, 1905, choice, 10@11c

Damages to American Property.

emperor are on their way to this counthe American ambassador, has received have been made here recently at from St. Petersburg, Jan. 9 .- Mr. Meyer, try to attend American schools and from the consuls at Moscow and Odessa 9 to 10 cents. About 500 bales have pound; cows, 3@4c; country steers, detailed reports of the injuries suffered changed hands, and by February 1 but 4@436c. The Navy department has presented by American property during the remedials of honor to the 11 members of cent riots. A statement of the damages in Josephine county. There are quite

OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST

CONTAINS MANY DIFFICULTIES. AMEND IRRIGATION LAWS.

Candidates to Follow. Salem-Another very serious problem has arisen in connection with the direct primary law. The law requires asking the next legislaure to amend the \$118,000,000 in value and exceeded that candidates for state offices shall irrigation laws in several particulars. imports from that country in any ear- file petitions from not less than seven lier year. The exports to Germany counties, and that at least 10 per cent with the state for the reclamation of were \$194,000,000 in value and ex- of the precincts shall be represented in desert lands under the Carey act are ceeded our exports to that country in each of the seven counties. Two per based upon the theory that the owners any earlier year except 1904, in which cent of the votes cast at the last state of the canals and ditches are entitled to It has been the supposition until recently that so long as the required the canals, ditches, headgates, etc. since the quantity in 1905 was greater number of counties and precincts were that in 1904. Imports from Germany represented by the signatures of one or from 1895 to 1906 and exports to that tures on a petition to make up the 2 pany shall be formed among the land

The attorney general will probably limit, the construction company is enbe asked to render an opinion in regard sitled to collect annually not exceeding to the number of signatures required 80 cents an acre. The same theory of from the counties and precincts. To ownership prevails in all government secure 2 per cent of the voters in seven work. counties, and 10 per cent of the precincts in each of the seven counties, to the difficulties of securing a petition.

FORM NEW ORGANIZATION.

Oregon Unite. Portland-In order to fortify themselves and protect their interests, reping in the Supreme court in this city phone lines in Oregon met here last on Wednesday or Thursday to deter- week and formed a permanent orgnizamust answer questions at the hearing is formed after similar organizations in pendent telephone lines.

The objects of the association are to independent (non-Bell) telephone inter ests, and to defend the same from unfair encoractments of competition by co-operation and by such other available means as may, from time to time, seem advisable.

Favor Woolen Mills.

Albany — The business men of the very possible that there will be no a peace'ul settlement of the issues city met and discussed the proposition funds available from this source to run which will be discussed at the conferof securing the new woolen mill for the city during the present year. this city. Judge Stewart, of the stock committee, withdrew from the active work of soliciting subscriptions, and by the Russian government to subdue would be next best for my purpose to Frank J. Miller was selected to fill the an answer in the affirmative, since it vacancy and the committee will push college, has received instructions to sion will undoubtedly have much work the work. The purpose of the com- recommend six additional graduates to do. mittee is to secure subscriptions to the from the Oregon Agricultural college stock aggregating \$15,000 toward the for positions as Third Heutenants in capital of \$100,000, when the mill will the Philippine constabulary. Three be built and fitted up. The business similar recommendations were recently men at the meeting were enthusiastic made, and from these one appointment any attempt of the committee on inin support of the project, and the spirit has already been made, that of Lieumanifested was in favor of co-operation tenant Floyd Williams, who has gone among the business interests of the city to Manila. men out of 800 engagde on both sides Rear Admiral Evans was proceeding to for the upbuilding of Albany and its industries.

Plans an Electric Line. Forest Grove-At the meeting of the Forest Grove city council last week, State Senator E. W. Haines, in behalf of the Forest Grove transportation company, a new organization, applied for a 25-year franchise for an electric railway in Forest Grove, to run from the Southern Pacific depot to the business section of the city, about two miles. According to the terms of the ordinance, the new line must be begun in 90 days, and completed in eight months. It is to carry the United States mail, express and passengers. Senator Haines furn-

er for the new road from his plant. Buys Ranch in Gilliam.

and, it is understood, will furnish pow-

Condon-A. S. Hollen has purchased he 860-acre ranch on Trail fork, Gil- 75c; red, 69c; valley, 73c. thence through Southern Idaho and to mill. He will take possession of the 9.50; grain hay, \$8@9. ranch about March 1.

> Land Contest Case Filed. Albany-Hugo H. Karstens, whose @13:50 per barrel.

The tuberculosis convention, which has in the Siletz reservation who are re sack; No. 2, 75@90c. been in session here for two weeks, has ported to be in the same position rebeen a great success, the hall being garding residence on claims as Kars- 65@75c per sack; ordinary, 50@60c; Newport as Winter Resort.

Albany - Many Albany people are spending a portion of the winter at dozen,

Few Hops Left in Josephine,

over \$300,000,000. A report Oregon State Primary Law Hard for Irrigationists Say Conditions in Idaho Are Better Than in Oregon.

> Salem-Prominent irrigators of Oregon are considering the advisability of At the present time all the contracts

holders will eventually own and control In the contract with the state of Idaho for the construction of the Twin increased \$37,000,000 in the period more voters that the bulk of the signa- Falls canal it is provided that a comowners on the basis of one share of so long as the required number of names stock for one share of water right, and was filed with the secretary of state. that within seven years the control of order of magnitude of our trade with It is now discovered that there must be the canals, ditches, dams and headgates foreign countries, both as to imports 2 per cent of the vote cast by the party shall pass to the corporation formed represented in each county and precinct among the water users. Previous to represented, as well as throughout the the formation of this company and before the expiration of the seven years'

> All the contracts for the reclamation of arid lands under the Carey act in and in addition have 2 per cent of the this state allow the construction comparty vote in the entire state, will add panies the right to collect \$1 an acre perpetually, the company agreeing to United States May Act as Arbiters in keep the canals and ditches in repair.

Fruit Inspector in Linn. Albany-The Linn county court has act as fruit inspector for Linn county, temporarily, on the recommendation of Horticultural Commissioner C. A. begin war on pests at once. The of the gathering. court will at once select a man for pernanent appointment who will be asked to take a short course in training under Agricultural college.

Corvallis Short on Money. property was rendered the council by States may become embarrassing. County Clerk Moses during the last It is learned on good authority that month, as prescribed by law, no action was taken by the council, and it is everything in its power to bring about would relieve the situation.

Allen Wants Oregon Boys. Corvallis-Lieutenant Quinlan, commandant of the cadet regiment at the tion are great and the American mis-

New Railroad for Gilliam,

have been filed with the secretary of to change rates. Three of the Republistate for the Oregon Northern Railway cans, however, stand with the Democompany. The incorporators are: William J. Mariner, R. W. Robinson erally defined by the president. and C. E. Jones. The road runs from Blalcek, in Gilliam county, to Hardman, in Morrow county. The capital stock is \$25,000, divided into 1.250 shares of \$20 each. The principal place of business is Heppner.

Contracts at Interest. * Salem - The State Land board reports interest bearing contracts outstanding December 31, as follows: School land contracts, \$669.516.30: Agricultural college, \$28,993.82; University, \$3,788.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, 72c; bluestem, 74@ Oats-No. 1 white feed, \$27; gray, \$26.50 per ton. Barley-Feed, \$23.00@23.50 per ton;

Buckwheat-\$2.50 per cental,

Fruits-Apples-75c@\$1.50 per box; persimmons, \$1.25 per box; pears, \$1.25@1.50 per box; cranberries, \$13

which closed the tuberculosis conven- miles from this city, in Benton county, cabbage, 1@2c per pound; cauliflower, Philadelpla & Erie railroad between a tion at Horticultural hall tonight, said has been served with a contest notice \$1.25 per dozen; celery, \$3@3.50 per fast passenger and a freight, three in his speech that hy tomorrow night on his homestead claim in the Siletz crate; pumpkins, %@Ic per pound; trainmen were killed and 20 passengers the set calling for a board of trustees reservation. The contest is made by J. sprouts, 7%c per pound; squash, 1% for the establishment of a hospital for E. Hail, Jr., on grounds of nonresi- @115c per pound; turnips, 90c@\$1 per The revolution in Russia has spoiled consumptives to cost \$150,000 will dence, and will be heard in the United sack; carrots, 65@75c per sack; beets, ies of field artillery to the Philippines,

Merced sweets, 2c per pound. per pound. Eggs - Oregon ranch, 29@30c per

lightful. Only a few days during the mixed chickens, 12@1236c; broilers, holiday season was the sea rough, 15@16c; dressed chickens, 14@15c; Some of the leading people of the val- turkeys, live, 14@16c; turkeys dressed,

throughout Sinalca will amount to and Newport is gaining a reputation as per pound; prime, 814@914; medium, 7@8c; olds, 5@7c. Wool-Eastern Oregon average best,

Veal-Dressed, 3@8 %c per pound.

BRITAIN READY TO STRIKE.

Would Have Smashed Rojectvensky if Togo Had Lost.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5 .- The remarkable allegation that the British fleet was held in readiness to destroy the Russian fleet, if the battle of the Sea of Japan had gone in the Russians' favor, is made by Admiral Rojestvensky in a today with the permission of the min-

ister of marine. Referring to the absolute secrecy of clares that "this was unknown even to the admiral of the British fleet all'ed vote, it was decided that the resolution tion of receiving an order to annihilate for a public session, and Spooner dethe Russian fleet, if this, the final ob- clared that the adoption of the resoluject of Great Britain, was beyond the tion would be an encroachment by the power of the Japanese.

count of his tactics in the battle of the powers as chief magistrate. Sea of Japan, the reader is almost convinced that the Russian commander outmaneuvered Admiral Togo at every He delares he knew Admiral Togo's The speeches were uniformly against exact whereabouts two days before the the measure and were allowed to go, in battle, made his disposition according- general, without answer. Digression ly and entered the fight with his eyes in the form of tariff revision discussion

an explanation from Foreign Minister point of the beet sagar industry. Lamsdorff this atternoon of the statements contained in the admiral's fetter to the Novoe Vremya.

MAY HOLD BALANCE.

Moroccan Conference.

Washington, Jan. 8. - The agitation in Europe over the coming Moroccan secure here a man who would be ready has become the most prominent factor

It has been believed here that the various European governments which been made when congress to agreed hold upon canal affairs. He agreed Professor A. B. Cordley, at the Oregon are so deeply interested in the confer with Gorman in urging the rights of had agreed to a program which would and said that, while congress had delebe adhered to rigidly. The possibility gated the matter to the president, the Corvallis-The city of Corvallis finds of a split between these two governtself in a peculiar predicament owing ments on some of the questions in. whole matter back to congress. to the neglect of the council to levy volved may throw the United States the tax for the present year. To com- into a position where its delegates with ply with the law this levy should have their votes will have the power to settle spoke in support of that measure. been made previous to January 1. Al- the question. In that event, it is conthough a certificate of valuation of city sidered, the position of the United

> gate expense to the government for the ence. From this it appears that Presientire ten years of the proposed subdent Roosevelt has again determined to use all his power in keeping the world the amount being devoted to the enat peace. The difficulties of the situa-

Dolliver Will Fight Delay.

Washington, Jan. 8 .- Senator Dolliver, of Iowa, will resist to the utmost terstate commerce of which he is a member to defer action upon railroad rate legislation until the house has passed a bill. The present majority of the committee is opposed to giving the Salem — Articles of incorporation Interstate Commerce commission power cratic members for regulation as gen- Occupies Attention of House Three

Great Printing Trust in East. Cincinnati, Jan. 5. - The United States Printing company, capital \$3, 376,300, one of the largest concerns of its kind in the country, will be leased of New Jersey, if the stockholders on sachusetts. Hill, of Connecticut, oc-February 1 ratify the action of the directors announced today. The company has plants in Brooklyn, Montclair, N. J., Norwood and Cincinnati The total output is estimated to be visits to the Philippines, the last as a nearly \$2,500,000 annually. The new holding company will take over all the plants of the company.

Mutineers Rule in Siberia

St. Petersburg, Jan. 5. - Grave apprehension is felt regarding conditions in Manchuria. No direct word has from the islands. Their territory, he toe and Colonel George Wright, includbrewing, \$24.00@24.50; rolled, \$23.50 the Russian commander in chief there, been received from General Linievitch, since December 2 last, at which time he reported the troops were defying the fight against the bill in the in- Wright, their officers and burning and pillaging clare that they fear the mutineers are in absolute control east of Lake Baikal. feared there will be trouble there.

China is the Cause. Washington, Jan. 8. - It was offiially admitted at the War department was due to the state of unrest now ex- ure, through Speaker Cannon. isting in China. Although neither the War nor the State department has any advices indicating there is probability of an immediate anti-foreign outbreak in China there is sufficient evidence Butter-Fancy creamery, 2714@30c that the anti-American feeling in Shanghai and Canton is growing.

Philippine Tariff Up.

of congress will convene at noon today after a holdiny recess of two weeks. The leaders of the house have decided that the Philippine tariff bill shall be first considered. It will be reported without any rule to limit debate, and Bailey. amendments may be offered ad libitum. It had been the intention to start with the statehood bill, but Mr. Hamilton, chairman of the committee, is not 16@21c per pound; valley, 24@26c; quite ready to report that measure.

California to Celebrate.

IN THE NATIONAL HALLS OF CONGRESS

Tuesday, Jan. 9.

Washington, Jan. 9. -The propriety discussing in open senate a resoluletter published in the Novoe Vremya tion introduced by Senator Baocn calling upon the president for an account Admiral Togo in regard to the disposi- to be held by European powers at Altion of his forces, Rojestvensky de- gericas, Spain, was considered for four States. hours today, and then by strict party with the Japanese, who concentrated should be executive business. Bacon his forces at Wei Hai Wel, in expecta- in supporting his resolution, contended senate upon the constitutional rights From Admiral Rojestvensky's ac- of the president, and virtually of his labor.

Washington, Jan. 9 - The Philippine tariff measure was the single topic oint, and was himself the real victor. of consideration in the house today. was made in a brief speech by Gillette, Mr. Spring-Rice, the British charge of Massachusetts, who tavored Canal'affairs, without waiting for instruc- dian reciprocity. Bonynge, of Colo- ity of the ways and means committee tions from his government, demanded rado, discussed the bil! from the stand-

Monday, Jan. 8. Washington, Jan. 8 .- The senate to-

president, in which, among other and vote against the bill. things, he invited the closest scrutiny into all that had been done by the govappointed E. C. Armstrong, residing conference and the result it may bring ernment in the Isthmus of Panama. at Marion station, Marion county, to has spread to this country and officials Gorman made that utterance the text here are now deeply interested in the for a speech, in which he criticised the matter because of the reccently devel- salaries paid for work in connection Park, of Salem. Mr. Park wished to oped fact that the American delegation al inquiry. He said that the president his assumption of control on the isthmus, and that the chief mistake had ence, notably France and Germany, congress in connection with the canal, latter practically had referr d the

The senate took up the merchant marine shipping bill and Gallinger Quoting the utterances of Presidents McKinley and Roosevelt on the importance of building up the merchant marine, he urged congress to heed these Gallinger estimated that the aggre

sidies would be \$40,000,000, and that couragement of irrigation is many times larger. The senate then, at 4:13 P. M., went into executive session, and at 4:20 ad-

Washington, Jan. 8. - With over an Domingo was presented by Tillman, hour devoted to the District of Columbia, there was left but a half-hour to be devoted by the house today to tariff strongly for tariff revision from the

journed.

Democratic standpoint. HILL ON PHILIPPINES.

Hours Telling What He Knows. Washington, Jan. 6 .- In a session of five hours today, the house placed on record a speech in favor of the Philippine tariff bill, one against it, and a 20 cupied three hours, and was listened to with the greatest interest in detailing the knowledge he gained from two

still further limited.

This is Mr. Dubois' boyhood home. Give Pensions to Steptoe's Men.

Revolt Against Cannon.

Washington, Jan. 9. - Speaker Can-Workmen in the naphtha works at Baku to the Hamilton joint statehood bill Oregon, Representative Hepburn, of non's efforts to win the insurgents over of representation in the house from have met with little success apparent- lowa, introduced a bill authorizing ly, and the joint statehood proposition the lighthouse board to immediately is still shrouded in uncertainty. The expend \$120,000 for the construction insurgents claim they have more than and equipment of a new light vessel to 58 votes, the number which, coupled take the place of light vessel No. 50, with the solid Democratic vote, will off the mouth of the Columbia river, today that an order recently issued force a consideration of amendments to the Hamilton bill. Two or three Research and Second infantry publicans are reported to have been new lighthouse tender, costing \$150,won over to the administration meas- 000 to reptace the Manzanita, which is

Inquiry Into Canal Affairs. Washington, Jan. 9.—The senate today adopted two resolutions of inquiry. can "insurgents" of the house now con-One of them authorizes an investigation tend they have formed a combination tion by the committee on interoceanic that will defeat the statehood bill and canals into the general conduct of the carry the Philippine tariff bill with it. affairs of the Panama canal, and the They say they have 70 Republicanother an inquiry by the finance com- votes which will be supported by a Washington, Jan. 4.—Both branches mittee into the question of the ex- united minority, to defeat a rule prochange rate on money on the isthmus. hibiting any amendment to the state-The first resolution was reported from bood bill. They will amend this bill, the canal committee by its chairman, they say, by admitting Oklahoma and Millard, and the second is the resolu- Indian Territory as one state and leavtion which was presented yesterday by ing Arizona and New Mexico out for

Senate Will Investigate. Washington, Jan. 9. - All matters relating to the Panama canal and the today introduced bills referring the government of the canal zone and the claim of the state of Oregon for money management of the Panama railroad paid volunteer troops for service durwill be investigated by the senate com- ing the Civil war to the court of claims Washington, Jan. 8.—Representative mittee on interoceanic canals. This Kahn, of California, introduced a bill was decided today at the first meeting claims — claims of Wankiakum and today providing for an appropriation of of the committee. The investigation Mecqueclahwemnek bands of Chinook

terest of the beet sugar industry of this country, spoke vigorously against the measure and against the policy of helping the Filipino people by granting them open markets in the United of his appointment of delegates to a States. He said the passage of this proposed conference in Moroccan affairs bill would be the death knell of the

> The abolition of the tariff on hides was pleaded for by Lawrence of Massachusetts, who presented the position taken by the Republicans of that state. Information regarding immigration

> from Austro-Hungary contained in reports by Marcus Braun was asked for from the secretary of commerce and

CONGRESS RESUMES.

House Takes Up Consideration of Philippine Tariff Bill.

Washington, Jan. 4. - The cause of the Filipino was advanced on the floor of the house by the Republican leader, Payne, for nearly four hours today. He represented the views of the majoron the Philippine tariff reducing the duties on sugar and tobacco to 25 per cent of the Dingley tariff rates and admitting other products of the islands to the United States aree of duty. Betoday gave attention to the Panama fore and following Mr. Payne's speech canal, the situation in Santo Domingo brief discussions indicated that there is and the merchant marine shippiing to be a protracted debate on the measure, and that the Republican opponents The canal bill question came up in representing the cane and beet sugar connection with a message from the interests of this country will speak

In the Senate.

Washington, Jan. 4 .- After waiting for almost a year, R. M. La Follette appeared in the senate when it reconvened today, after the holiday recess, to claim his seat as senator from Wisconwas not so much to blame as congress for istered to him by Vice President Fairsin, and the oath of office was adminbanks. The ceremony was witnessed by a crowded gallery, which manifested much interest in the proceedings.

After La Follette had signed the oath which he had taken, he was again joined by Spooner and escorted to the seat assigned him among those Republicans who have seats on the Democratic side of the chamber. Assignments of La Follette and

Gearin to committees was made as fol-La Follette - Potomac river front, chairman; census, civil service, claims, immigration, Indian affairs and pen-

Gearin-Claims, pensions, forts and fortifications, industrial expositions, national banks and District of Columbia. Simmons resigned from the last-

named committee to make room for the Oregon senator. The senate discussed at some length a proposition to reprint a magazine article by Newlands, entitled "A Democrat in the Philippines," and also a resolution for the regulation of senate patronage. Both were adepted. A resolution calling for information con-

who made an unsuccessful effort to secure immediate consideration of it. discussion. This was utilized by Sullivan, of Massachusetts, who spoke shipping bill today, but, when the bill was laid before the senate, he asked to be excused from talking until next Monday, when the bill will be formally

taken up as the unfinished business. After a brief executive session, the

senate adjourned until Monday.

Idaho's Senators Busy. Washington, Jan. 8 - Representative Heyburn today introduced a resolution permitting him to appoint a messenger for his committee at \$1,440. Senator minutes' talk for tariff revision accord- Dubois has accepted an invitation to to the United States Printing company, ing to the Republican demand of Mas-deliver an address on February 12 at Springfield, Ill., at the Sangamon club banquet given on Lincoln's birthday.

Washington, Jan. 8. - Senator Anmember of the party of Secretary Taft keny today introduced a bill extending last summer. He paid particular at- the provisions of the late Indian war tention to the tobacco feature of the measure, and explained away much of the Indian hostilities in Washington tention to the tobacco feature of the veterans' pension act to include all the misapprehension as to the enor- and Idaho in 1858 with the military mous products that might be expected commands of Colonel Edward I. Stepsaid, was small, and the fertile lands ing the volunteer company of friendly Nez Perces Indians, who acted as Mondell, of Wyoming, who has led guides and scouts under Colonel

> New Lightship and Tender. Washington, Jan. 8.-In the absence

deemed unworthy of repairs. Will Defeat Statehood.

Washington, Jan. 8 .- The Republi-

Bills to Decide Old Claims, Washington, Jan. 8.—Senator Fulton

the Bennington's crew who survived, for bravery in rescuing more unfortafor bravery in rescuing more unfortaMeyer to the State department for inlappa band of Chinooks. The claims

A statement of the damages of 400th anniversary of the discovery of interim to take up the nominations of the Pacific ocean by Balboa.

canal commissioners.