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**NEWS OF THE WEEK** In a Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

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

There is a rumored alliance of Russia. Austria and Germany.

Forest reserve states are to get a share of the timber revenue.

The movement to expel Smoot from the senate has been abandoned for this session.

The pope is greatly improved. He laughs at the idea of his life being endangered.

More bodies are being found by la borers clearing away the debris in San Francisco.

Three Turks have been arrested on suspicion of having murdered Consul Stuart in Russia.

business and are receiving more money trict of Columbia and military academy Preparations Under Way at Salem for than they pay out.

The injunction against the union of the Cumberland with the old Presbyterian church has been denied.

Louisiana doctors claim to have found a cure for leprosy, having cured three sufferers from the dread disease.

George F. Baer, president of the Reading road, says there is no grafting among the officials of his line, as they are above such things.

Miss Nance O'Neill, the actress, has for when the last of these bills is agreed become bankrupt through the San Francisco disaster. She lost all her scenery, costumes and stage effects.

Torrents of mud from Vesuvius are causing death and panic.

Marines are being rushed to Panama to avert a revolution at the time of the essential senate amendments, including general election, June 20.

The senate bill incorporating the Archaeological Institute of America has been passed by the house.

Estimates have been made for continuing work on the Panama canal to June 30, 1907. The total amount is final adoption. \$26.848.231.

S. A. D. Puter, wanted in Portland in connection with the Oregon land fraud cases, has been captured in Alameda, a suburb of San Francisco.

Four more bodies have been found in the debris at San Francisco by workmen clearing away the ruins. The the present head of the Christian Cathcoroner places the total number of dead olic Church, announced to his followers at 395.

half the childern in town are affected. W. H. Stuart, United States vice- uary 15 and May 10 he had reduced the consul at Batoum, Trans Caucasia, has expenses in the financial department en killed by unknown assassing **Baker City's Relief Work** been killed by unknown assassins. The case is being investigated by Am-bassador Meyer. It is said the military court which It is said the military court which has been investigating the surrender of duction of the working force and a cut Port Arthur and the battle of the Sea in the salaries of those retained. of Japan has condemned to death Lieu-In the same manner, said Voliva, a Parker, Dr. E. B. McDaniel and N. U. inspector, Marv Evans. They will them were here with the intention of tenant General Stoessel and Rear Adsaving had been made in the ecclesias- Carpenter. The report shows that a be forced to coply with the law or using what influence was at their commiral Nebogatoff. tical department that would amount to total of \$3,719 was collected, in sup- proceedings wills brought. Senator Heyburn is slightly im-\$70,000 annually. Oversers who had plies and money, including 180 barrels proved. of flour, 1,118 pounds of bacon, 17,564 been receiving \$300 per month were pounds of putatoes, 30 camp stoves, 3,-

reduced to \$60. The pay of others

pensation under the new adjustment,

These facts, he said, were some of the

details of a report which he made Sat-

Federal Judge Landis to investigate the

Voliva announced the resignation of

The condition of John Alexander

navigation bureau of the Navy depart-

ment declined tonight to indicate the

purpose for which the marines are be-

ing sent to the West Indies, saying,

however, that it has no bearing on the

New Signatories To Be Bound.

The Hagne, May 22 .- The govern-

conference, which declares that the

powers not represented at the first con-

Turks Killing and Plundering.

San Domingo situation.

unchanged.

WILL ADJOURN EARLY. Congress Not Likely to Continue in

Session After June 15. Washington, May 22 .- Present indiations point to an adjournment of congress about the 15th of June. The great debate of the session has been brought to a close, the railroad rate Boys' and Girls' Aid Society of Ore-bill has been passed by the senate, and gon in Good Condition. If Solvent, Inserance Companies Wi Not Be Casted by Siate.

the way is now clear for the regular appropriation bills and other important the members of the Boys' and Girls' who is ex-officia barrance commission-legislation that demands consideration. Aid Society, J. C. Ainsworth, W. B. er of this state, when shown the state-Gilbert and Robert S. Farrell were repropriation bills and consideration. In the house of representatives the work is up to date. All of the big ap-propriation bills, except the sundry propriation bills, except the sundry civil bill, have been passed by that of Mrs. W. A. Buchanan.

body, and this last bill will be reported to the house just as soon as the house condition. Superintendent W. T. is ready to receive it. At the outside Gardner's report gave a thorough retwo weeks is ample to pass this bill sume of the work accomplished by the society the past year. Under the surand two unimportant appropriation veillance of the society in Oregon, bills yet to be considered, the general Washington and Idaho there are 498 deficiency and the diplomatic. children. Of these there are 70 girls

In the senate appropriation bills who are in respectable homes in Portland. Assistant Superintendent Gardhave lagged behind on account of the ner has been appointed to look after debate on the rate bill, yet in spite of the children who have been placed in this protracted discussion the senate private families to see that they are doing well. In addition to this assisthas found opportunity to pass the urgenant the society now has county advis-ory boards to look after the children in cy deficiency, pension, fortifications, army and Indian appropriation bills, the different counties of the state.

and will make short work of those now awaiting consideration, namely, the

San Francisco banks have opened for postoffice, agricultural, legislative, Disbills. The senate, in spite of its repu-

> tation for long debates, can dispose of appropriation bills in remarkably short gun preparations for the greatest State Fair ever held in Oregon. A portion periods when the time for adjournment of the money that would have been exapproaches. It always does. So the pended for premiums last year, when legislative program, so far as the apthere was no State Fair, was used to propriation bills is concerned, may be make numerous improvements on the buildings and grounds in preparation considered in such shape as to permit for this year's fair. All main buildadjournment by the middle of June. ings have been repainted, stock sheds It is the appropriation bills that deterand race horse barns extended and immine the length of the session after all, proved and the racetrack has been regraded.

to congress always adjourns, unless it happens to be in extra session, called for some special purpose. The conference committee having the

park seats and chairs from the Lewis and Clark fair, together with exhibit cases, all of which will be used this cases, all of which will be used this rate bill in charge is not likely to reyear to make the State Fair more atport inside of two weeks, but in the tractive and comfortable. Many strik- the part of the mmmissioner of Oregon. end the house will probably accept the ing pieces of statuary and inside decorations have been removed from the that offered by Senator Allison. The Lewis and Clark grounds to the State fact that the president approves this Fair grounds, where they have been amendment will be ample justification carefully repaired. for the house to give its assent, and the

further fact that practically all the other amendments meet with the ap-Aurora-A teacher at the public proval of the president will insure their

EXPENSES CUT IN ZION.

Salaries of Overseers Reduced From \$300 to \$60 Per Month.

Chicago, May 22 .- W. G. Voliva, The doctor advised that the pupil be allowed to attend school, on the ground that he had already infected the scholin Zion City Sunday that between Jan- are, and sure enough he had, and now

RE-ELECT OFFICERS.

Portland-At the annual meeting of

OREGON STATE FAIR.

Greatest Ever Held.

Salem-The State Fair Board has be-

The board purchased a quantity of

Epidemic Attacks School.

school recently discovered that one of

the pupils had what she thought was

chickenpox, and sent the boy home

with a note to his parents to quaran-

MANY SETTLERS MISSING.

Michigan Forest Fire Lays Waste Hundred Square Miles.

**OREGON STATE ITEMS OF INTEREST** Milwaukee, May 21 .- A dispatch to the Sentinel from Escanaba, Mich., by a staff correspondent says: Four known dead, a score or more persons missing. hundreds of families homeless, several millions of dollars in property burned, four towns wiped out entirely and a Salem - Secretary of State Dunbar, dozen more partially, five counties de-

vastated and 100 square miles of terripicture that the Northern Michigan peninsula presents today, after the of Mrs. W. A. Buchanan. The annual reports of the officers showed the institution in a flourishing difference of the officers of the officers of the cannot take any tote of what the vari-ous companies to in California or any other state and function of the variworst forest fire since the Pestigo disaster in 1871.

General Superintendent W. E. Wells, other state so lots as they comply with the Oregon law which entitles them to do huminess of the Escanaba & Lake Superior raildo business in this state. There is on deposit with the state treasurer \$3,100,000, in interest-bearroad, along whose right of way the greatest loss occurred, returned tonight from a trip of inspection over the fire-

ing securities, which the 60 companies doing business in this state' have put have gone down and for the time being up to secure the payment of any loss they may sustain and which has been flames.

Fifty-eight companies have put up \$50,000 each and two companies \$100,-the story:

Only one company has notified the commissioner that it cannot continue lumber camp near Katos, body found tonight.

and perished. The \$50,000 an deposit will be held to pay any losse sustained by Oregon ably perished in the flames. men are missing and many have probpolicyholders is that company, or until all its policies have been legally can-celed, when the deposit may be with-

is 100 miles square.

Quinnessec, Mich., 1,000 population,

Saunders, 150 population, all wiped All he is suborized to do is to look out for the intrest of Oregon policy-holders, and if the companies comply with the insurance statutes of this state

Niagara, Wis., 500 population, all riped out.

alley, Kingsley, Woodlawn, Foster

Treasure Mine Sold.

ance has been consummated in this city. Charles farding Park, residing here, has sold is Treasure mine in the Blue river district to J. Rowland Rags-dale, of Mandester, England. The purchase price a not made public, but is said to be thehighest ever paid for a mine in the dstrict. The Treasure mine has long ben known to be one of tine him. It proved to be chickenpox, the richest progrties at Blue river. ing Post, says: but the pupil would not stay quaran- Mr. Park has sent much money in its

MAY RETAIN LICENSE.

finally adjudicated against them.

000 each.

drawn.

license

Will Enforce Spraying Law.

of business without any interference on

Pendleton-W. K. Newell, chairman

# IN THE NATIONAL HALLS OF CONGRESS

Tuesday, May 22.

negative votes were cast by Foraker, Republican, of Ohio, and Morgan and Washington, May 22 .- The senate Pettus, Democrats, of Alabama. There today devoted the greater part of the was a somewhat larger attendance of ession to consideration of the immisenators than usual, but the attendance gration bill, but before it was taken up in the galleries was by no means ab-McCumber made a personal statement. normal, and there was no manifestacontradicting an article printed in the tion of any kind when the result was New York Tribune that the railroad announced. There was, however, an almost general sigh of relief among the tory fire-swept. This is the dreadful rate bill had been so amended at his instance as to render it ineffective. Previous to that time also the senate enatore. adopted a resolution directing the com-

Washington, May 18 .- Reminiscent of the stressful days of the 47th conmittee on privileges and elections to consider the course to be pursued in trees were the scenes in and about the the case of Burton.

Speeches on theimmigration bill were made by Dillingham, McCreary, Bacon, Scott, Patterson and others. The bill was still under consideration when the senate adjourned.

Washington, May 22 .- For an hour the estate of Samuel Lee, of South Carolins, \$10,482 for allowances made by reason of the election of Lee, a negro contestant for a seat in the 47th into committee of the whole on the diplomatic and consular bill, or to congress.

raising a number of parliamentary

points. The Republicans, however,

had a quorum present, and eventually

general debate began and continued

The senate bill authorizing the con-

d'Oreille river in the state of Washing-

Monday, Mry 21.

Washington, May 21 .- The legisla

till 5 o'clock.

ton was passed.

This bill has been reported favorably follow the lead of Gardner of Massaby nine congresses - six times by Rechusetts to take up consideration of the publicans and three times by Demoimmigration bill. Assisted by Williams, the minority crats.

After spending almost the entire day leader, Gardner led a mild filibuste on the question the bill was passed.

Thursday, May 17.

ouse today. Hardly had the journal

been approved when the Democrate,

under the leadership of Williams, of

Mississippi, began the first real fili-

buster in a number of years, their ob-

ject being to defeat the bill paying to

Washington, May 17 .--- With the exeption of Bailey's digression, the enthe diplomatic bill was taken up and tire day was devoted by the senate to a review of the amendments made in committee of the whole and covered somewhat more than half of the meansturction of a dam across the Pend ure. There was a prospect of concluding the reading until the section granting to the Interstate Commerce comn ission power to fix rates was reached and the question of the constitutionality of that provision was raised. The attack was made on the clause giving to tion bill was passed by the senate to- the committee discretion in the matter of preserving rates, and a long debate ensued. The question was still under discussion when the day came to a

senate. A number of unimportant measures were passed and at 3:30 o'clock consideration was given to pen-

ma Enterprise.

Chicago, May 20 .- Expressing the entiments of senators and congressmen on the recent action of the senate at Washington for the Chicago Even-

tined, and went back to school. The development, at in the erection of a school directors consulted a physician. development, at in the property. definitely the digging of the Panama the tax burden. definitely the digging of the Panama

> The yeas and nays were ordered and the state boad of horticulture, and work on the isthmus and a well-defined the bill was defeated, yeas 109, nays Judd Geer, memer of the board of the and freely expressed belief that inter- 60, present 25, two-thirds not having Eastern Oregon atact, passed through ests are at work to jeopardize the whole voted in its favor.

ing. It carries appropriations aggregating \$29,815,259, an increase of \$59,-345 over the amount reported to the close. Washington, May 17. - After two weeks' debate the house today passed the naval appropriation bill, carrying \$99,74,6000. The amendment provid-Washington, May 21 .- Decided oping that the secretary of the navy could go into the open market and purchase position developed today in the house chains, anchors and cordage, should it of representatives against the passage of the bill to extend the time for the be demonstrated that they could be

completion of the Alaskan Central railhad cheaper in free markets than they could be made by the government, Williams, of Mississippi, insisted was defeated today by a vote of 188 to 129.

By the action of the house on a second amendment, upon which a separate and tax on its railway during the pervote was demanded, a 4 per cent differiod of construction and for five years ential will be allowed bidders from the thereafter. He believed that every Pacific Coast on ships constructed there. The vote was very close, three Republicans changing from no to yes, Haughen of Iowa, Thomas and Long-Powers, of Maine, insisted that the worth.

#### Wednesday, May 18.

Washington, May 16 .- The consideration of the rate bill in committee of he whole was concluded by the senate today, and the measure was then reported to the senate, where there will be opportunity to review and alter all the amendments heretolore made. Practically the entire day was devoted to consideration of the anti-pass amendment, which was adopted after making so many exceptions as to arouse laughter every time the provision was read. The work of the senate after the bill was reported was confined to the partial consideration of the pipe line provision, which was so amended as to strike out the Morgan proviso extending its operation to other countries where the United States had jurisdiction.

## stricken area, and says that the flames the danger is over, unless a new gale or more today the house of representa-arises to again fan the embers into tives could not decide whether to go The following summary briefly tells Peter Lafond, a cook, smothered in a

Territory devastated, five counties, Marquette, Menominee, Delta, Alger

and Dickinson. The territory fire-swept

Mr. Dunbar aid that refusal or ina-Towns totally burned: bility of an insurance company doing Talbot, Mich., 100 population, only business in this state to pay any of its few houses left standing.

Catifornia losses would not be sufficient reason for him to cancel their Oregon only one house remains.

tive, executive and judicial appropriaday within three hours from its read-

Towns partially destroyed: Northland, Cornell, Antine, Spring

Eugene - Amining deal of import- Purpose of Sea Level Party on Pana-

WAY. committee in voting for a sea level that the bill was obnoxious because it canal, Edward G. Clark, correspondent exempted the property from license tax

"Suspicion that a systematic effort is individual as well as every corporation

canal has become a conviction. There bill was a good business proposition. is anger among the friends of rapid

sion bills. KILL CANAL BY DELAY.

City, Sala and Metropolitan.

to do business in Oregon on account of California losses and that is the Trad-ers' Insurance mapany, of Chicago. All agents have been notified to cease writing insurance for that company. The \$50,000 - downit will be held Three unknown children dead at Quinnesec, Mich., separated from their against taking up the diplomatic bill. parents while the village was burning and endeavored to delay matters by Scores of homesteaders and woods-

Women of England are working for suffrage.

was cut in proportion. His own com-Madrid is making great preparations for the royal wedding. Voliva said, was \$100 per month.

Vesuvius is pouring a torrent of mud on the nearby villages.

It is now believed that Mrs. Jeffer- unday to a committee appointed by son Davis may recover.

A prompt agreement on the rate bill condition of the industries in Zion City. is likely by the two houses of congress.

It is understood that an Angloeral ecclesiastical secretary, owing to Russian agreement is about to be per- lack of sympathy with some of the

doctrines of the claurch. It is regarded as practically certain that the second Hague peace conference Dowie today was said to be practically is pending in the case.

will meet in May, 1907. The district judge has seized tax records and ballot boxes at Denver and discovered wholesale fraud.

United States warships have been ordered to watch for filibustering ves-sels going to Santo Domingo. sels going to Santo Domingo.

A severe carthquake in Luzon, P. I., caused a lake to form where a good sized mountain had stood. The na- caused by the boycott. When he retives in the vicinity are in a state of turned a few days ago he was found to terror.

New York will expend \$160,000,000 and was placed in the quarantine stain adding to the city's water system.

The San Francisco fire destroyed proof of the citizenship of 100,000 voters.

Wu Ting Fang, ex-Chinese minister to the United States, proposes radical reforms in China.

John Mitchell, president of the United Mineworkers, will soon resign to will make her first stop at the naval take up the practice of law.

Barracks have been built in Golden there further orders will be given to Gate park, San Francisco, which will her commander. The officials of the accommodate 5,000 persons.

The Interstate Commerce commission has secured more admissions of grafting by Pennsylvania railroad officials.

Insurance companies have already paid about \$200,000 San Francisco losses and it is expected all undisputed claims will be paid by June 1.

The president has declared himself in favor of ship subsidy. signatories of the convention of 1899 to

Evidence of rebating has been found sign on assembling for the second peace against the Pennsylvania railroad.

A great forest fire in Michigan has burned over an area of 200 square to attend the second, shall, by acceptmiles and latest accounts report the ance of the invitation, become adherflames still burning. Fourteen towns ents to that convention. have been wiped out entirely and thousands of people are homeless. As far as known no lives have been lost, although sveeral entire families have not been accounted for and may have ians is again very serious, and the latenormons.

districts are to the effect that continual Governor Blanchard, of Louisiana, fighting is in progress. Turks are pres- of Oregon, are further advanced this lature asking for an insurance reform laging villages, ravishing women and time. There is a large acreage, and all pelt on, Sc. murdering men and boys.

032 pounds of beans, 2,070 pounds of rolled oats and much clothing. Will Sentence Meldrum. Portland - If Judge Wolverton im-

Meldrum, former surveyor general for Oregon, he will go to jail with a sen- of the company : to handle, for the tence of 210 years of imprisonment purpose of irrigion, the water from hanging over his head. If the court Powder river user the rights they imposes the heaviest fine the law al- | ave held for a amber of years. John G. Excell, from the office of gen- lows, Meldrum will owe the government \$21,000. Judge Wolverton set Friday, June 8, as the day on which Meldrum will come before the court for

Registration Short in Baker.

Wo Gen Cannot Land. Baker City-Registration at the Seattle, Wash., May 22 .- Wo Gen, county clerk's office has been brisk, and manager of the Wa Chong company, it is believed that names entered since the books were reopened after the primaries will exceed 350, including those

He made a trip to China recently to sent in from country districts. Time patch up trade relations, and did a for registration has expired. It is estimated that there are 700 voters in Bagreat deal toward alleviating conditions ker county who have not registered. Some of these will be sworn in at the brewin 25 50. have trachoma, the dread eye disease, polls on election day, but there will be

a shortage of 500 to 600. tion at Port Townsend. Powerful in-

fluences have been brought to bear to Berry Pickers Scarce.

nullify the order, but without avail. Portland - Portland employment agencies are not only besieged by rail-Mission Kept a Secret. road contractors for laborers, but calls Washington, May 22. - The cruiser are now coming in from Hood river

Columbia, which is expected to leave and White Salmon strawberry fields for Philadelphia tomorrow for West Indian pickers. Thousands of men and women are wanted for this work and the cry waters with a detachment of marines, for help adds to the embarrassment of labor agents who are already trying with all their might to secure laborers for railroad and construction camps.

Ackerman Resolves to Retire. Salem-J. H. Ackerman, state superintendent of public instruction, has

announced his intention to retire from politics at the end of his next term. Mr. Ackerman has the distinction of being the Republican and Democratic

nominee, although he only accepted the ment has submitted a bill asking the Republican nomination, and his name second chamber of parliament to ap- will appear on the official ballot only prove a protocol which it wishes the as the Republican candidate.

Klamath Land is Reopened.

Washington-During 1904-5 1,500 .-000 acres of public lands in the Klamference, but which have been invited ath region of Oregon and California, were reserved, pending investigations to determine the feasibility of reclaiming under the Klamath irrigation pro-

ject. Half of this area is now restored to entry, the balance being reserved as lands reclaimable for reservoir sites or Vienna, May 22 .- Trouble in the Balkans between the Turks and Bulgarrights of way.

Hop Prospects Excellent. est reports from Baritz and Prochterje Anrora-Hops in this section of the

the yards are showing weil.

and has made a final report. The the law, but a fr of the larger ones capital during the last few months were members of this committee were Fred have thus far slected to do so, al- here for the purpose of watching rail-R. Mellis, William Pollman, J. H. though repeated notified by the local road rate legislation, in reality most of mand to defeat the attempt to obtain a favorable report for a lock canal.

#### New Dih Company.

for a sea level canal. It is stated that Baker City-Aicles of incorporation of the McCary itch company have been filed with ticounty clerk. The Mr. Platt did not attend one committee meeting at which the matter was disincorporators of a company are: G. cussed. Everybody knows why John T. Morgan, of Alabama, voted in favor J. Bowman, O. ( Johnson and C. W. Faull. The capal stock of the composes the maximum penalty on Henry pany is \$3,500 dided into 350 shares of a value of \$leach. The purpose has the grace to say so.

Cherries Rening Rapidly. Aurora-Cherns are ripening fast sentence. A motion for a new trial mer years. The severe cold snap of two days in Marci had no appreciable

county.

effect on fruit tree in northern Marion

### PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat-Club, hc; bluestem, 74@ 75c; red, 71c; valley, 70@71c. Oats-No. 1 white feed, \$29; gray, \$28.50 per ton. Parley-Feed, 13.50@24 per ton;

brewing, \$24@2450; rolled, \$24.50@ Hay-Valley timothy, No. 1, \$12@13 per ton: clover, \$50@8; cheat, \$6@ 7; grain hay, \$7@; alfalfa, \$12. Fruits-Apples, 12.50@3.50 per box; name of the Los Angeles "fence," has

uncertain way."

cherries, \$1.25@140 per box; strawrecovered three trunks and three suitberries, California, \$1.25@1.40; Orecases, and has a line on 32 other pieces gon, 10@16c per pand; gooseberries, of luggage. 5@6c per pound.

Vegetables - Asparagus, 75c@\$1.25 per box; beans, 889c per pound; cabbage, \$1.75@2 per 100; green corn, 60c per dozen; onions, 10@15c per dozen; peas, 3@5c; radiabes, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 3c pound; spinach, 90c per box; turnips, \$1@1.25 per sack; carrots, 65@75c per sack; beets, 85c@\$1 per sack.

Onions-Bermuda, 4c per pound. Potatoes - Fancy graded Burbanks, 60@65c per hundred: ordinary, nominal; new California, 2e per pound. Butter-Fancy treamery, 175 @20c per pound.

Eggs-Oregon ranch, 19@20c per dozen.

Poultry-Average old hene, 13%@ 14c per pound, minei chickens, 121/ @ 13c; broilers, 20@225c; young roosters. 1216 @ 13c; cld roosters, 12@ 1216c; dressed chickens, 15c; turkeys, live, 15@18c; turkeys, dressed, choice,

Hops-Oregon, 1905, 1116@1216c. Wool-Eastern Oregon average best, 16@21c; valley, ccarge, 22@23c; fine, 24@25c per pound; mohair, choice, 28 @30c per pound.

Veal-Dressed, 3%@6c per pound. Peef-Dressed bulls, 3c per pound ; valley, the banner hop-raising district cows, 4%@5%c; country steers, 5@6c.

Pork-Dressed, 7@9c per pound.

### Saturday, May 19.

Washington, May 19 .- The house arose today in its wrath and put to eternal sleep a measure that it had previously passed, making it a penitentiary offense for any official or employe "Senator Platt, of New York, voted of the government, including senators and congressmen, to make public any secret information that would have an effect upon the market value of any American products. The bill originally passed the house some weeks ago

of a sea level plan. He is bluntly honwithout discussion, and was intended est. He does not want a canal, and he to remedy a defect in the law as exposed by the recent cotton scandal in the "The movement that began in the department of agriculture. It was senate committee to get a sea level canal has behind it, however, a tremenof the conferees brought the matter to dous force and it is the intention of the attention of the house today.

powerful senators to endeavor not only After a heated debate in which the to get the sanction of the senate itself, but to bring every possible pressure to bear on the house to induce it to recede from the position it took in favor of a lock type. If the powerful ones succeed, the day of canal digging is far in the distance. The people may be obliged to speak on this matter in no

#### Thieves Steal Baggage.

San Francisco, May 20 .- The work of Detective O'Dea has resulted in the capture of a gang o! trunk and luggage thieves who reaped a rich harvest during the fire, who were planning to dis pose of their valuable plunder in Los Angeles. Three of the men, who admit connection with the gang, are held at the Stanyan-street station. Through them the detective has learned the

Biggest Steamer Afloat.

New York, May 20 .- The Hamburg line steamer Ka'serin Auguste Victoria, the largest passenger steamer afloat, with a gross tonnage of nearly across the Atlantic tonight from Hamburg, Dover and Boulogne. She brought 490 valoon and 1,706 steerage passengers. The Kaiserin Victoria made an average speed of 17 knots during the voyage. The Kaiserin Auguste Victoria is 700 feet in length over all, with a beam of 77 feet and depth from boat deck to keel of 57 feet.

#### Gout Gains on Pape.

Rome, May 20 .- When Dr. Lapponi 20@23c; greene, live, 10@11c; greene, dressed, old 10c, young 12c; ducks, old 17a works 20a gout. Owing to a slight rise in tem- tion of no quorum when possible. though the condition of the Pope is not grave, some apprehension is felt at the frequency of the gout attacks through

exposure to fatigue.

#### Die of Heat in New York.

New York, May 20 .- Two deaths and some prostrations from heat were reafternoon, but on the streets the mer-cury rose to 95. voting when as a matter of fact the member was not in the city. the pre-ident, so it was stated. cury rose to 95.

lation by McCall of Massachusetts, Grosvenor, of Ohio, and Crumpacker, public must be abreast of the nations of Indiana, Republicans, and defended by Burleson, Democrat, of Texas, its navy. The opponents talked for peace, author, and Chairman Jenkins, of the disarmament and arbitration, and injudiciary committee, the house, by a sisted that there was no national need record vote of 107 to 66, tabled the for such a large navy. The amendbill, having refused in the first instance ment introduced by Burton, of Ohio, to agree to the report of the conferees. Friday, May 18. Washington, May 18 .- After 70 days ing the construction of the battlesnip of almost continuous deliberation the to the discretion of the secretary of the senate today at 4:53 p. m. passed the navy after the second Hague conference. railroad rate bill by the practically A final vote on the bill will be taken unanimous vote of 71 to 3. The three tomorrow.

#### Back to the House.

Washington, May 22 .- The railroad Washington, May 22 .- The naval ate bill was considered for three hours program providing for the construction conight by the house committee on in- of one great battleship of tonnage equal terstate and foreign commerce and the to any afloat or now building will meet decision reached to recommend disa- opposition in the senate, but not of greement to all of the senate amend. such stubborn character, it is thought, ments and to send the bill to confer- as to endanger its passage. Several ence. The committee will not ask that members of the senate committee on instructions of any character be given naval affairs have expressed themselves to the house conferees. There was no as opposed to the building of "the disposition to criticize the amendment great unwieldy type of the Dreadconferring jurisdiction on the courts to haught," now being constructed for the

#### Should Continue Filibuster.

members of the house of representatives not be a prolonged contest betw en the today were signing an indorsement of house and senate over the rathroad rate an action of Williams, the minority bill. Indications are that it will be leader, in filibustering in the house for accepted by the house within a short the purpose of hurrying action on the time, substantially in the shaps in statehood bill. The indorsement was which it was adopted by the senate drawn by Henry, of Texas, and was That was developed today at a confer-circulated by Beall, of that state. It ence between President Roosevelt, visited the Pope this morning he found asks Williams to continue to demand Speaker Cannon, Senator Spooner, his patient improved, although the roll calls on every motion which can be Representative Hepburn, author of the pontiff passed a somewhat restless made in the passage of bills or the adop- bill and chairman of the commerce

#### Do Clerks Vote for Members?

Washington, May 21 .- Speaker Can-

Statehood Bill as Rider. Washington, May 22. - There has

Forty-seventh congress, stated that he was given more attention today because Governor Blanchard, of Louisiana, has sent a special message to the legis-lature asking for an insurance reform lature asking for an insurance reform

Washington, May 16. - The naval appropriation bill, carrying nearly \$100,000,000, was completed today in the house after one of the busiest days amended by the senate, and the report of the present congress. The feature of the day's debate grew out of the attempt to defeat the appropriation for the largest battleship of its class in the measure was attacked as vicious legis- world and the tenor of the speeches for the big ship was that the American reof the world in the strength of her to strike out the appropriation for a rival to the British Dreadnaught was defeated, as was the amendment leav-

#### Will Oppose Big Battleship.

26,000, completed her initial grip review orders made by the Interstate navy of Great Britain and which the Commerce commission. house favors.

#### Two Houses Will Soon Agree.

Washington, May 21 .- There will Washington, May 21 .- Democratic night as the result of his attack of tion of resolutions and raise the ques- committee, and Representative Mann, also of the committee.

> non instanced his confidence in the been a revival of the question as to reading clerks of the house yesterday. whether the bill tor the admission of Williams, of Mississippi, during the Oklahoma and Indian Territory as it filibuster against the bill to pay Sam-nel Lee \$10,000 for expenses incurred on an appropriation bill. This talk during his contest for a seat in the has been going on for some time, but