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Monday, Jan. 8.

Washington, Jan. 8.—The senate to-
day gave attention to the Panama
canal, the situation in Santo Domingo
and the merchant marine shipping
bill.

The canal bill question came up in
connection with a message from the
president, in which, among other
things, he invited the closest scrutiny
into all that had been done by the gov-
ernment in the Isthmus of Panama.
Gorman made that utterance the text
for a speech, in which he criticized the
salaries paid for work in connection
with the canal, and urged congressional
inquiry. He said that the president
was not so much to blame as congress for
his assumption of control on the isthmus,
and that the chief mistake had been
made when congress released its hold
upon canal affairs. He agreed
with Gorman in urging the rights of
congress in connection with the canal,
and said that, while congress had de-
legated the matter to the president, the
latter practically had referred the
whole matter back to congress.

The senate took up the merchant
marine shipping bill and Gallinger
spoke in support of that measure.
Quoting the utterances of Presidents
McKinley and Roosevelt on the im-
portance of building up the merchant
marine, he urged congress to heed these
admonitions by passing a law that
would relieve the situation.

Gallinger estimated that the aggre-
gate expense to the government for the
entire ten years of the proposed sub-
sidies would be \$40,000,000, and that
the amount being devoted to the en-
couragement of irrigation is many
times larger.

The senate then, at 4:13 P. M., went
into executive session, and at 4:20 ad-
journed.

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 major-
ity of the ways and means committee
on the Philippine tariff reducing the
duties on sugar and tobacco to 25 per
cent of the Dingley tariff rates and ad-
mitting other products of the islands
to the United States free of duty. Be-
fore and following Mr. Payne's speech
brief discussions indicated that there is
to be a protracted debate on the mea-
sure, and that the Republican opponents
representing the cane and beet sugar
interests of this country will speak
and vote against the bill.

HILL ON PHILIPPINES.

**Occupies Attention of House Three
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 Philip-
pine tariff bill, one against it, and a 20
minutes' talk for tariff revision accord-
ing to the Republican demand of Mas-
sachusetts. Hill, of Connecticut, oc-
cupied three hours, and was listened to
with the greatest interest in detailing
the knowledge he gained from two
visits to the Philippines, the last as a
member of the party of Secretary Taft
last summer. He paid particular at-
tention to the tobacco feature of the
measure, and explained away much of
the misapprehension as to the enor-
mous products that might be expected
from the islands. Their territory, he
said, was small, and the fertile lands
still further limited.

Mondell, of Wyoming, who has led
the fight against the bill in the in-
terest of the beet sugar industry of this
country, spoke vigorously against the
measure and against the policy of help-
ing the Filipino people by granting
them open markets in the United
States. He said the passage of this
bill would be the death knell of the
beet sugar industry in the United
States.

The abolition of the tariff on hides
was pleaded for by Lawrence of Massa-
chusetts, who presented the position
taken by the Republicans of that state.

Information regarding immigration
from Austro-Hungary contained in re-
ports by Marcus Braun was asked for
from the secretary of commerce and
labor.

FAVORS PHILIPPINE BILL.

**Clark, of Missouri, Occupies House
Floor for Three Hours.**

Washington, Jan. 5.—"Champ Clark
Democracy" was expounded to the de-
light and entertainment of the house
for three hours today by Clark, of Mis-
souri, and constituted the feature of
the debate on the Philippine tariff bill.
Clark's speech took a wide range and
he labeled his political beliefs as above,

Will Defeat Statehood.
Washington, Jan. 8.—The Republi-
can "insurgents" of the house now con-
tend they have formed a combination
that will defeat the statehood bill and
carry the Philippine tariff bill with it.
They say they have 70 Republican
votes which will be supported by a
united minority, to defeat a rule pro-
hibiting any amendment to the state-
hood bill. They will amend this bill,
they say, by admitting Oklahoma and
Indian Territory as one state and leav-
ing Arizona and New Mexico out for
the present.

New Lightship and Tender.
Washington, Jan. 8.—In the absence
of representation in the house from
Oregon, Representative Hepburn, of
Iowa, introduced a bill authorizing
the lighthouse board to immediately
expend \$120,000 for the construction
and equipment of a new light vessel to
take the place of light vessel No. 50,
off the mouth of the Columbia river,
which is now undergoing repairs; also
a bill authorizing the construction of a
new lightship tender, costing \$150,-
000 to replace the Manzanita, which is
deemed unworthy of repairs.

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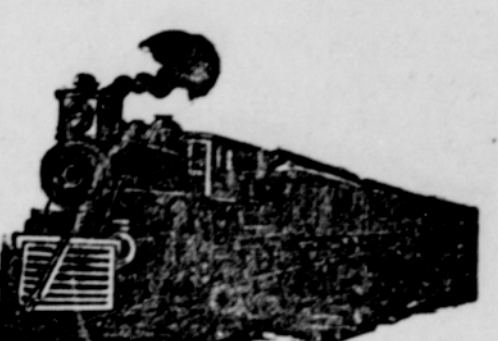
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