CURRENT EVENTS OF THE DAY

Epitome of the Telegraphic News of the World.

TERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES

An Interesting Collection of Items From the New and the Old World In a

Condensed and Comprehensive Form The Peoria, Itl., water works were sold under decree of court to bond holders for \$1,500,000.

Destructive brush fires in the colony of Victoria, Australia, have done an enormous amount of damage.

In a fight over a game of cards at Sandy Forks, Ky., eight men, all colored, were killed, and four seriously wounded.

W. J. Trenholm, former comptroller of the currency, has retired from the presidency of the American Surety Company.

Governor Budd, of California, has ordered an inquiry to be made into the mental condition of Salter D. Worden, the trainwrecker.

While at small arms practice at Tampa, Fla., four men on the cruiser Marblehead were injured by an explosion, two seriously.

Funds have been secured in London, and three immense sugar beet factories will be erected at Chicago, Marysville and Red Bluff, Cal.

Mrs. Eliza Kohler, widow of a wellmade an assignment, with liabilities of \$333,174; and assets, \$323.735.

Since the serious illness of Cornelius Vanderbilt, William K., his brother, has become the actual dominant force in the New York Central railroad.

The court martial of Captain O. M. Carter, which has been in session at Savannah, will sit at Augusta here-

after for the convenience of witnesses A Chicago syndicate wi's \$1,000,-000 has purchased the 1,200,000-acre Lopez ranch in Northern Mexico, which has on it valuable deposits of asphalt-

American schooner George W. Whitford has been ordered forfeited by the Colon supreme court for loading a car go at Porto Bello in violation of port regulations.

Charles Marsh, arrested at Kansas City for swindling J. F. Calhoun, of Spokane, is the well-known confidence man, known by the alias of Boston

The Oakland, Cal., authorities have suspicions that Joseph Raeside, the trainer, whose mangled body was found alongside the railroad track at Shell Mound, was murdered.

The board of experts engaged in considering and adopting standards to coming year, has decided upon four out of the eighteen standards.

Sanford B. Dole, president of the Francisco, en route to Washington, where he will discuss annexation of the islands to the United States.

Ships Aryan, for San Francisco, and Dirigo, for Shanghai, left New York together on Friday. Heavy bets were put up by the masters as to which vessel would arrive at her destination first.

Mrs. J. M. Farleigh, of Chicago, and Mrs. Mary Miller, of Dexter, Mich., have started for Montana to lay claim to an interest in the \$1,000,000 estate of a deceased uncle. John D. Allport.

Edwin T. Earle has brought suit in the United States circuit court at San Francisco against the Armour Packing Company to recover \$100,0000 damages for violation of plaintiff's patent on a refrigerator.

The controller of the currency has declared a dividend in favor of the First National bank of Helena, Mont., of 10 per cent.

The Western Union Beef Company has sold 8,000 head of steers off its Texas ranch to Clinton Anderson, of Wyoming, and will retire from busi-

silver to the ton was discovered two stuffs furnished the bulk of the expormiles from Adams Springs, Lake coun- tations in every instance. ty, California, and the district is wildly excited.

George Dobbs and Mrs. Emelie New, jointly indicted for the murder of the latter's husband at Eureka, Kan., have been convicted of murder in the second

Patrick A. Largey, president of the State Savings bank, and one of the bestknown citizens of Butte, was shot and killed in the bank building by Thomas J. Riley.

The Steer mansion at Nyatt, one of the best known residences along the shore of Narragansett bay, Rhode Island, was burned to the ground Saturday night.

sent to an insine asylum.

work of construction of dry dock No. 3, ment does not see its way clear to reapproved by him

CUBA'S TIME NOT YET.

House Refused to Take Up Belligerency Resolution.

Washington, Jan. 20.-Cuba had a hearing in the house today, and for a time it looked as though parliament-ary precedents would be set aside and the senate resolution, recognizing the insurgents as belligerents, would be attached as a rider to the diplomatic and

consular appropriation bill.

DeArmond, a Missouri Democrat, precipitated the issue by offering the resolution as an amendment, but a point of order against it was sustained. DeArmond appealed. He urged the Republicans, who had professed friendship for the struggling Cubans, to override the decision of the chair as the only chance of securing action on the proposition.

Bailey, the leader of the minority, and other Democrats joined in the appeal. The excitement became intense, but the appeals of Dingley, the floor leader of the majority, as well as other Republican leaders, to their associates

Colson warned his side that, unless he was soon given an opportunity to vote his sentiments on the Cuban question, he would co-operate in any revolutionary method to secure action.

not to join in the programme succeeded.

The Republican tactics kept to the front the point that the minority was seeking to override the rules of the house, and they got every Republican in the house, sustaining the chair by the vote of 152-114. A Democrat, Fleming, voted with them, on the ground that he could not violate the

During the debate, Bailey challenged Hitt to give the house an assurance known San Francisco liquor dealer, has that an opportunity would be offered to vote on the resolution passed by the senate at the last session, but he re-

ceived no reply.

Before the diplomatic bill came up, the army bill was passed.

Today's session of the senate was brief. Practically the only business accomplished, aside from the routine proceedings, was the passing of the urgent deficiency appropriation bill. The measure, as finally passed by the senate, carries \$1,918,810. The Teller resolution, providing that bonds of the United States may be paid in standard silver dollars, was favorably reported by a majority of the finance committee, and notice was given that it will be was made to fix a time for the final vote on the pending census bill, but it was abandoned until tomorrow.

Idennity for Lynching.

Washington, Jan. 20.-President McKinley today sent to the senate a message with a report from the secretary of state relating to the lynching in a Mexican citizen, and the demand of the Mexican government for indemnity. The president says:

dlowing the course adopted the case of the lynching of the three govern the importation of tea for the Italians in Louisiana, in August, 1896, I have recommended the appropriation by congress, out of humane considerations and without reference to the thousands of feet below. Hawaiian republic, has arrived at San question of hability of the government in the premises, the sum of \$2,000, to be paid by the secretary of state to the government of Mexico, to be distributed among the heirs of Louis Mo-

The president also sent to the senate. in response to a resolution, a report of the secretary of state and the correspondence relating to the arrest in 1897 in Colombia of Harry K. Spring and Charles W. Ne.son.

Greatest on Record.

Washington, Jan. 20 .- According to statistics at the treasury department, the value of exports by the United States for the calendar year 1897 aggregated \$1,100,000,000, an increase of \$93,000,000 over any preceding year.

Another record was smashed with the trade balance of \$356,000,000 in favor of Uncle Sam, the highest point ever reached in the history of this

country. Exports for the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1897, were \$1,032,000, 000, thus furnishing a third record, for the top notch prior to these figures was reached in 1892, when the exports Ore assaying \$652 in gold and \$70 in amounted to \$1,015,000,000. Bread-

Indian Appropriation Bill. Washington, Jan. 20 .- The Indian

appropriation bill, as reported to the house today, carries \$7,727,204, against estimates of \$7,375,517. Of the amount recommended, \$270,000 is reimbursable to the government. The total amount for the support of Indian schools, from other than the treaty funds, is \$2,574,540. For fulfilling treaty stipulations \$3,250,249 is appropriated.

Enough of the Sealing Question. London, Jan. 20.-Great Britain has again declined to reopen the sealing question. It seems that her previous An insaneman named Ramon Vivesa refusal gave as its reason that while the created a seasation in the cathedral at negotiations were pending between the Madrid, by firing several revolver United States and Canada, Great shots. He was arrested and will be Britain could not reopen the matter. To this the United States replied that Civil Engineer A. G. Menreal, U. S. no negotiations were pending, and re-N., will be brought to court-martial on newed the request, but the foreign account of the faulty character of the office sends its regrets that the govern-

open the question.

Two Men Crushed Beneath Rock and Debris.

RECEIVED NO WARNING OF IT

One Victim Is Dead, While the Other Is Probably Fatally Injured-The Tunnel Impassable.

Williams, Ariz., Jan. 20.-An accident occurred at the Fairview tunnel, nine miles west of here, in which one man was killed and one fatally injured. A number of others had an almost miraculous escape.

Sparks from the engine of a passenger train ignited the timbers in the roof of the tunnel. A gang of men was quickly dispatched from this city under Foremen Matthews and Parker. The men fought the flames all last night.

When the flames were all but out, the men were alarmed by a loud crash. In another moment a solid mass of rock and burning timbers came falling down. Roadmaster Lyons and Foreman Matthews were caught under the mass of rock and timbers. They were soon taken out, but Lyon died in a few minutes, and it is not believed Matthews will live until morning.

No through trains will be able to pass through the tunnel for several days, as it is a sheet of fire from end to Passengers are being transferred around the mountain through the

OVERLAND TRAIN DERAILED.

Disastrous Wreck on the Southern Near Colfax, California.

Auburn, Cal., Jan. 20. - One of the most disastrous railroad wrecks that ever happened on this branch of the Southern Pacific road occurred this afternoon about a mile above Colfax, the accident derailing overland train No. 2, going west. Trains are drawn over the mountains by two engines, and it is supposed that the front engine broke an axle. The two engines were telescoped, and the baggage car thrown off the track.

Hackett, one of the oldest engineers on the road, was killed outright, and called up at an early date. An effort | the body of his fireman, Lightner, was found under the engine, horribly mangled. Brown, the second engineer, and his fireman jumped and escaped injury. J. J. Burke, the express messenger who had a miraculous escape at the recent Reno wreck, was again favored, and escaped with severe, though not serious injuries. Many of the passengers werebadly shaken up, though none were in-1895 at Yreka, Cal., of Louis Morena, jured. Two wrecking trains, with Superintendent Wright, are out from Sacramento, and a special train was made up at Colfax.

of the most dangerous places on this or any other railroad. At Cape Horn, the angle is 45 degrees, and there is no obstruction between it and the abyss

NO SUBSIDY WANTED.

Pacific Cable Company Opens Negotiations for a Contract.

Washington, Jan. 20 .- James A. Scrymser, president of the Pacific Cable Company, appeared before the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce today to advocate a contract with the United States, which, he said, would not call for a subsidy, whereby the company would transmit all official messages for \$175,000 per year for 20 years, from San Francisco to Hawaii, China and Japan, with a proposition to extend it to Australia for \$75,000 additional per year. He said that during the Venezuela trouble it had cost the government \$5,000 for one diplomatic message, and no one knew what the aggregate expense was in this connection. It would take 8,000 miles of cable from San Francisco to Honofulu. He was sharply questioned by the committee as to the monopolistic features of his proposition. He said his company was responsible, and had experience, and would do what they proposed.

TROUBLED THE WRONG ONE.

One Indian Shot and Killed and Another Wounded.

Walla Walla, Wash, Jan. 20 — Word has just been received from Wallula of a shooting affray, which occurred near that place late this afternoon. From the meager particulars received, it appears that, about 5 o'clock this evening Indian Jim, accompanied by his son and several other Indians, went to the farm of William F. De Long, with whom they had trouble, and ordered him to vacate the premises. They threatened to burn his house and commit other depredations. De Long went into the house, got a gun, and, in order to protect himself and property, shot and killed Indian Jim's son and wounded another Indian. When the other Indians saw their companions were shot, they hurried away. The report of the shooting soon reached Wallula, and caused great excitement, a mob organizing for the purpose of pursuing the fleeing Indians.

United States Marshal J. B. Wilson were notified of the shooting at 9:30 o'clock tonight, and will leave early in the morning for the scene.

BIG STRIKE NOW ON.

over One Hundred Thousand Cotton Operatives Affected.

Boston, Jan. 19 .- The fight between employer and employe in the New England cotton mills is on, and what it will lead up to cannot be foretold. The great corporations in New Bedford are silent, and thousands of operatives are idle, while here and there discontent has cropped out all day, the most serious being at Biddeford, Me., when 3,200 persons refused to work, thus closing two mills, and at Lewiston, where one mill was crippled by 800 weavers staying out. The general wage reduction is estimated to affect 127,000 persons in about 150 mills.

Tonight finds the textile operatives everywhere intently interested in the New Bedford strike, for there the real strength and endurance will come, and upon the outcome will depend the question of an industial battle the entire length and breadth of the New England states. The chief point in this will be discipline. From the point of view of the millowner the New Bedford situation is now a lock-out. Intervention by the state board of arbitration this week is hardly likely to be allowed, and no overt act on the part of the strikers and no attempt to open a mill is expected for a number of days. The New Bedford strikers will receive strike money from operatives elsewhere, but the sum total will be reserved until a protracted battle brings on want and hardship, which the unions will then try to relieve.

All the New Bedford mills opened at the usual time. When noon came the lights went out, speed stopped, overseers and second hands prepared to make everything snug, and mill gates were closed indefinitely. The labor unions did little work today except to carry out plans of campaign which will developed only as fainthearted weavers seek to return to work.

Of the other strikers, little has been developed in them as yet to forecast the future. All of the employes of the Laconia and Pepperell mill works in Biddeford struck because they were anxious to, while the weavers alone in the Androscoggin mill simply took matters into their own hands, regardless of other departments. These two strikes, with identical issues, will serve only as minor fights along the line, unless the strike fever grows and they become the nucleus of a general fight in Maine cities.

One other minor fight now is at Burlington, Vt., where the Queen City mills shut down indefinitely because the operatives refused point-blank to accept the reduction. The trouble, however, began a number of days ago, but reached the acute stage today. Taking today's events throughout, it may be said that things came to pass just as expected. It is the immediate future which awakens apprehensions.

WORK BEING PUSHED.

Klondike Relief Expedition Will Not Be Abandoned.

Washington, Jan. 19. - Arrangements for the departure of the government expedition for the Klondike are being pushed. Under date of January 12, Sifton, minister of the interior for Canada, wrote Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn as follows:

"Referring to the conversation which passed between us on the subject of furnishing an escort for your relief expedition, I have given instructions that a sufficient number of men be sent forward to Skagway for the purpose, and I have no doubt they will be waiting upon the arrival of your people on or before the 1st of February.

Sifton telegraphed the following Sat-

urday evening: "Ottawa, Jan. 15 .- My reports indicate no immediate danger of starvation at Dawson, but great necessity for provisions being distributed between Fort Selkirk and Skagway at various posts. I believe ice has formed all the way through. Our provisions are being pushed down by horses and dogs. I intend to keep supplies moving until the waterways are open in the spring, to avoid the possibility of disaster."

Eight Killed Over Cards. Middleboro, Ky., Jan. 18.-A spe-

cial from Hynen says there was a fight on Sandy Fork. Eight men were reported killed, as follows: John Williams, Doc Wilson, Bob Colwell, Tom Shelton, Peter Barrough, Mark Paine, Eli Howard and Abel Coombs, all colored. Sim Paine, Harry McComas, Ed Martin and Lew Gossman are seriously wounded. Intense excitement prevails and further fighting is expected. The fight occurred over a game of cards. The extraordinary bloodletting began Wednesday, when a party of negroes, who were playing cards, got into a dispute concerning the way the game was progressing. Drunkenness added to the brutality of the fight. Four men were killed, and subsequently the fighting was renewed by friends on both sides, until the mortality list is equal almost to the casualties in a military engagement. The feeling aroused gives rise to apprehension of more

Seven Persons Drowned.

Colon, Jan: 19 .- A boating party, consisting of United States Consul Sheriff Ellingsworth and Deputy Ashley, Dr. Haffman, the German cosnsul; Master Mechanic Mott and four others are supposed to be drowned. The body of a boatman has already been recovered.

ENGLAND'S OFFER TO CHINA

Will Provide a Loan on Certain Conditions.

CHINA AFRAID TO COMPLY

But Considers Offer an Advantageous One-France and Russia Would Make a Strong Opposition.

London, Jan. 18 .- The Peking correpondent of the Times says: Yesterday Sir Claude McDonald, the British ambassador to China, in an interview with the tsung-li-yamen (board of for-eign control) stated that England was willing to assist Cihna to liquidate the Japanese indemnity, and would provide loan of £12,000,000, at par, to run 50 years, the service to be 4 per cent net, including sinking fund, the condition to be as follows:

First-The opening of three treaty ports, Talien Wan, Siang In and Nan Ning, thereby increasing the customs revenues.

Second-A declaration that no portion of the Yang-tse-Kiang valley shall be alienated to any other-power. Third-The right to extend the Burmah railway through Hunan (the most southwestern province in China). In the event of her default, China is to place certain revenues under the control of the imperial customs. On this basis, the negotiations will proceed. China regards them as advantageous, but fears the threatened opposition of France and Russia, especially to the opening of Talien Wan and Nan Ning.

The Times, commenting on the report, suggests that Slang In, which the correspondent describes as in Hunan province, is a telegraphic error, and means either Siang Yang, in Hu Poi province, or Siang Tang, in Hunan province.

A BOY MURDERER.

Story of Unparalleled Depravity Comer From Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Jan. 18 .- The body of 5-year-old Percy Lockyar, who is believed to have been murdered Friday ticable. night by 15-year-old Samuel Henderson, was today found in the bottom of "Reddie's" creek, Sixtieth and Catharine streets, and there seems little for days at a time. Inspector Stuck-doubt in the minds of the police that land of the Northwest mounted police rine streets, and there seems little young Henderson is guilty of the crime. stationed at Tagish, was delayed five He is locked up in a cell at police days near the summit by snow and headquarters.

The body of the child, when found. was weighted by two heavy stones, one of the Northwest mounted police, have at the neck and the other around his arrived at Skagway. They were to ankles. His skull was crushed in, and have been stationed at different posts there was a knife-thrust just above the in the interior, but, owing to the shortheart and some wounds on his breast, age of provisions, and the cost of transside and forehead, while on one side of porting supplies, the detachment will his face was a long cut extending from remain at Skagway for the present. below the eve to the chin.

From what the police have been able to learn, the crime seems to have been one of the most horrible character, and if all its details are true it stamps young Henderson as a degenerate of the worst type. He does not seem to realize the enormity of his crime. After his arrest he admitted a knowledge of the knife-trust, but said it was due to the child accidentally running against an open knife. Henderson became alarmed at this, and said he threw the body into the creek. Today, however. when shown the mutilated body of the child, he admitted that he was responsible for those cuts as well, but persiste that it was an accident.

The police however, believe that he planned the murder, and that he also purposed ending the life of another small boy, Willie Addison, aged 7 years. Henderson, it is claimed, has been reading trashy novels, and has shown a desire to emulate the "heroes" of these tales. The police assert that ing caught fire. Before the horrified Henderson accompanied Lockyar and members had regained their senses, the Addison to the woods, as he told yeshappening to either, Henderson tied vain. both children to a tree. Addison broke away and ran home. It was then, it the pastor, confessed that he, in comis said, that the Lockyar boy's death pany with other boys, rigged up a devil was accomplished.

Dr. Morton, the coroner's physician, who examined the thrust above the and awaited the arrival of the audiheart, said that it caused the death of the boy. The police searched for the body during all of last night, and it was not until after daylight that it was found. Henderson will be given a hear-

ing tomorrow. A fact that has come out in connection with Henderson's crime is that his father, John D. Henderson, was on trial in October, 1892, charged with killing a man named Nason. The killing was the outcome of a quarrel. Henderson was arrested and pleaded guilty to manslaughter. He was remanded for sentence, but some time later it was shown that the death was largely accidental, and there was no murderous intent. He was admitted to bail and is now a free man.

Disabled Steamer Driven Seaward.

St. John's, N. B., Jan. 18 .- The disabled steamer supposed to be the Parkmore, that was lying off this port last night, has been driven seaward by the severe storms. Great anxiety is felt for her safety. A tug went to search for her this morning, but failed to find her. Three other tugs are getting ready to sail at daybreak tomorrow. It is feared the steamer is help-

LATEST FROM DAWSO ...

Twenty-Two Klondikers Arrive on the

Seattle, Jan. 19 .- Twenty-two persons arrived here tonight from Dawson City on the steamer Corona, bringing with them a small amount of gold dust, and drafts on the North American Trading & Transportation Company and the Alaska Commercial Company amounting to between \$800,000 and \$1,000,000. In the party was one woman, the only woman to come out this winter. The party consisted of Andrew Oleson, E. H. Jenkins, Leon-ard Sedgwick, E. Thomassini, D. Campbell, L. V. Grady, W. M. Kaufman, T. E. Brenier, Joe Brand, H. C. Bolong, Carl Hunt, Colonel Brosius, J. J. Baker, B. Tragedio, Chris Nueber, James Wardell, J. O. Berth, James O'Brien, W. H. Welsh, H. T. Coffin, H. L. Burt and Miss Lou Keller.

The amount of drafts brought down represents the proceeds of sales of claims to the Cudaliy, Healy, Yukon & Klondike mining companies and private parties. The largest individual amounts were brought by the following:

D. Campbell, \$130,000; E. H. Jen-kins, \$125,000; Leonard Sedgwick, \$100,000; Andrew Oleson, \$120,000; T. E. Brenier, \$46,000; Joe Brand, \$15,000.

In reference to the food situation at Dawson, tonight's arrivals corroborate previous reports that, while food is scarce, there will be no starvation. They consider that it will be impossible to get a relief exedition in at this sea-

son of the year. Relief expeditions can easily reach the foot of Lake Labarge, but the trou-ble will begin when the Yukon river is reached. The Yukon is filled from shore to shore with great ice ridges from 10 to 20 feet high, the ice being thrown up in great blocks, and standing at all sorts of angles. Men with dogs can make their way by hugging the shore, but no great amount of supplies can be carried with dog teams. A roadway can be cut through these ice ridges, but it would require a great amount of money, and it is doubtful if the work could be completed before the ice moved out of the river in the spring. The proposed use of reindeer in this country is considered entirely imprac-

Heavy snow storms have occurred this week on the Chilkoot pass, and travel has been practically impossible

wind. A detachment, consisting of 30 men

HIS SATANIC MAJESTY.

Indiana Parson's Son Played the Devil in a Realistic Manner.

Chicago, Jan. 19 .- A special to the Times-Herald from Bourbon, Ind., says: Rev. Mr. Aikin, pastor of the Bethel church, on Sunday night took for his theme "His Satanic Majesty." He is an eloquent man, and he painted the arch-fiend in vivid colors. At the climax of the description, a being dressed to represent a devil, with a large head and switching tail, ambled up the aisle, blowing smoke from its nostrils and bellowing:

"I am the devil, and I want all of you."

The audience became panic-stricken. Men, women and children were hurled to the floor and trampled upon in the made rush for the door. In the confusion the stove was upset and the buildfire had made such beadway that all terday, but, instead of any accident attempts to save the church were in

> This morning George Aikin, son of suit, and, knowing the subject of his father's sermon, concealed himself

TO STAND BY THE GUNS.

Two Additional Regiments of Artillery Asked For.

Washington, Jan. 19 .- In a communication to congress today on the care and preservation of the government fortifications and their armament. Acting Secretary Meiklejohn calls on congress for an additional force of two regiments of artillery, imperatively required to keep the guns and mortars throughout the country in good condition, and to use them effectively when required. He incloses reports of General Miles and others on the subject, and says the most practicable and economical plan having in view the purposes for which the fortifications and armaments are provided, as to quarter the artillery force by units of organization in batteries, behind the guns they are to use, as far as the existing force will go, caring for the remainder by suitable detachments from those garrisons. The present authorized strength of the artillery force of the army is inadequate to the proper care and preservation of their armament.