Comprehensive Review of the Import ant Happenings of the Past Week Culled From the Telegraph Columns

Lawton has reached Bayombong.

The battle of Graspan was the first battle fought on Free State territory.

The internal revenue collected in Oregon the last fiscal year amounted io \$413,775.

Troops in Cuba are to be removed. General Wood has given his approval of such action.

Secretary Gage will probably continue the purchase of government bonds for another month or more.

Ex-Collector of Customs Thomas J. Black, died suddenly of heart trouble and asthma at Portland, Or.

Four blocks of business houses were laid in ashes in Philadelphia. The total loss is estimated at \$3,000,000.

The iron and steel trade is rather quiet in some lines, but prices are holding up, and scarcity is predicted.

President McKinley is considering a plan for dividing Cuba into two parts and placing Geanels W. Wood and Lud-

low in charge.

The Oregon, Samara and Callao, with 160 bluejackets and marines captured the port of Vigan, province of south Slicos, notrh of Manila. American manufacturers are selling

to the outside world over \$100,000,000 worth of iron and steel in excess of any earlier year in their history.

General Methuen, in command of the British forces, was slightly wounded at Modder river. Colonel Northcott and Lieutenant-Colonel Stopford were killed.

The great Thanksgiving football game at Portland between the Multnomahs and the Olympics, of San Francisco, resulted in a tie, neither side

Eight thousand Boers were defeated by General Methruen in the hottest battle of the war. The fight took place at Modder river and lasted 10

Great Britain has protested vigorousganization of expeditions here, intended, presumably, for the assistance ton, \$100,000. of the Boers.

The Vanderbilts now have the B. & O. They have also acquired Morgan holdings in the Big Four and Cheaspeake & Ohio. This is a combination not contemplated.

Lightship No. 50, whose station is at the mouth of the Columbia, after vicissitudes probably never experienced before by a lightship, is ashore on Mc-Kenzie head, between Cape Disappointment and North head light, and will Filipino war is being prolonged by the probably be a total loss. Her crew of eight men were rescued by the breeches buov.

Richard Croker says Tammany will support Bryan.

Chicago is after the Republican national convention.

Admiral Dewey believes war in the

Philippines is practically over.

New Zealand's government is stocking up the island with American game

Great Britain now realizes that the war is real and seeks expression of neutrality.

Bert Repineff, of Nashville, Tenn., won the six-day wheel race at St. island. Louis. The transports Elder and Belgian

service. It is expected to have an all-trolley line from Portland, Me., to Boston open

by spring. If Goebel is given a certificate of election martial law will be declared

in Kentucky. Whalers are preparing to go out again. Expense of the business has The Boer loss was slight.

increased 40 per cent over last year.

The Pacific Mail Company is chartering tramp steamers to replace these and the most drastic measures are bechartered by the government for transport service.

The Knights of Labor will depart from their time-honored custom and take a hand in politics. It also contemplates establishing schools for its

members. A manufacturer of wine asserted be- killed and two others seriously injured. fore a senate committee that 50 per cent of the imported wines are American wines sent abroad, doctored and sent back

incorporated under the laws of New for both lines audited at Omaha. It Jersey, capital \$200,000; Oregon Can is also rumored that the O. R. & N. Company, \$200,000, and California Can auditing department is soon to follow Company, \$200,000.

The descendants of Queen Victoria now number 71. She has seven sons and daughters living, 33 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Fritz Eloff, one of President Kruger's 50 grandchildren, bears the honorary title of lieutenant, despite the fact that he is only 4 years old.

Mrs. Roger Wolcott, of Boston, has given an imposing monument to Pepperell, Mass., in memory of the men of that town who fought at Bunker LATER NEWS.

The British transport Ismore was driven ashore near Cape Town. Private Merritt, of Battery B, committed suicide at San Francisco. Archbishop Chapelle will sail for

Manila on the transport Sherman.

Thirty-eight wheelmen started in a six-days' bicycle race in New York. General Methuen is believed to have

resumed the advance to Kimbereley. Four vessels from Brazil are quarantined in New York for fear of plague.

The schooner Eureka, on the beach near Coquille river, will be a total loss. After 32 days the Glory of the Seas has arrived at 'Frisco from Puget

Five persons at a Thanksgiving party in Medford, Or., had a combined age of 376 years.

rich as is represented.

Mr. Taylor, of Ohio, objected to the swearing in of Roberts, of Utah, as soon as congress opened. A big log boom gave away at Che-

afloat in Gray's harbor. Appropriations for the three state

scohols in Oregon are running short and the schools may have to quit. The United States supreme court has

declared that a combination of pipe manufacturers is unconstitutional. Owing to the death of Vice-President Hobart, the president's message

was not sent to congress on Monday. Section men on the Southern Pacific near Milwaukie, Or., struck because they could not go home to meals and lodging.

Eastern woolen mills have bought 1,250,000 pounds of wool in St. Louis at one sale. It is the biggest sale ever made in the West.

The latest report from the Modder river camp says the Boers were not entrenched on both banks of the driven to retreat, but marched away in stream, although mostly on the norththe night after the battle.

Among the river and harbor improveis \$100,000 or more are the following: Oakland, Cal., harbor, \$180,000; San Francisco harbor, \$170,000; San Pedro habor, \$200,000; Everett, Wash., harbor, \$150,000; Gray's harbor, Wash., \$345,000. Also the following river and harobr improvements: Mouth of Brazos river, Tex., \$220,000; lower Willamette river below Portland, Or., \$200,000; Columbia river at the casly to this government against the or- cades, Oregon, \$125,000; waterway connecting Lakes Union and Washing-

> The Samoan treaty was signed at Washington.

This year's hop product of Washington amounts to 33,983 bales. The new Austrian budget provides

for a consul-general in Chicago, The tone of the Japanese press on the war in the Transvaal is decidedly pro-

Genreal Joe Wheeler writes that the

antis in this country The British railway companies have agreed to convey free to the port of embarkation, all books, papers and periodicals intended for use of the troops engaged in South Africa.

At the caucuses held in Washington the democrats chose James D. Richardson, of Tennessee, as their candidate tor the speakership. The republicans nominated David B. Henderson, of

General Leonard Wood will be the master of all Cuba under the direction of the president until the time comes when congress takes action by providing a new civil government for the

The Hernandez revolution is gaining ground in Venezuela from day to day, King are now out of the government and is supported by leading members of the financial and commercial worlds. who supply the revolutionists with all the arms and money they need.

The British dead and wounded at the hard-fought battle of Modder river numbered hundreds. The war department has given out the information that the total number of causualties was 452, and the number killed, 73.

Bubonic plague has made its entry General Methuen's second battle in into Japan, five undoubted cases having the advance to relief of Kimberley re- been reported at Kobe, three already sulted in the loss of nearly 200 British proving fatal. The pest is traced to cotton imported from China. Much dismay prevails in the infected city

ing taken by the authorities. According to late advices the great drought in Australia was broken in October. Terrific storms followed, do ing great damage, epecially to buildings. The Adamstown Roman Catholic school, in which 40 children were assembled, collapsed. One scholar was

It has been definitely settled that the auditing department of the Oregon Short Line is to be brought under the supervision of Auditor Erastus Young, The Puget Sound Can Company hat of the Union Pacific, and all accounts in the wake of the Short Line.

> Mrs. McKinley has made over 4,000 pairs of knit slippers for charitable in-

Former Senator Davis, of West Virginia, is to present the state with an orphan asylum.

Hiram Cronk, of Ogdensburg, N. Y. is 99 years old and the last survivor of the Mexican war.

Harry J. MacDonald, who died in New York recently, was the son of a native African king.

NEWS FAR FROM CHEERING

Strength of Boer Resistance Woefully Underrated.

ANXIETY OF BRITISH APPARENT

The Whole Border District Between Colesburg and Burgersdorp Has Declared for the Boers.

London, Dec. 5 .- The week opened without a word of news such as the British public is so anxiously awaiting. With a larger army in the field than the country ever before mobilized, it can only be said that the loss of 3,500 men, entailed before the enemy's bord-The postmaster at Cape Nome reports ers have been crossed, is a serious matto Washington that the district is as ter and, while there is no feeling of despondency as to eventual results of the war, it is regretfully admitted on all sides that the strength of the Boer resistance has been woefully underrated.

It is now seen that the attempt to halis and 2,000,000 feet of logs are hold a useless position at Mafeking was a serious tactical mistake, as was also the endeavor to keep the large civil population in Kimberley.

Perhaps the brightest spot for English readers today is the announcement that President McKinley has designated the son of Secretary Hay to succeed Mr. Macrum in Pretoria. The Daily lifa bade his emirs stay wth him and Telegraph says:

"This appointment is a graceful concession on the part of the United States government to British feeling. Our countrymen's interests will be safe

in the hands of the new consul." South African news is now six days in arrears. The censorship does not dead in front of them. General Winyet permit details of the Modder river battle to be transmitted. Some vague statements have been published in Cape Town papers, and according to these Boers numbered 8,000 men, and were ern bank. The British, according to these accounts, drove the enemy across ments eestimatd for under continuous the river, compelled them to retreat contracts on which the sum asked for and established themselves on both banks. These details, however, are too meager to enable an accurate idea of the engagement to be formed.

A dispatch has reached London announcing that Lord Methuen is again in the field, and it is also said that Count Greichen, who was wounded in the fighting at Modder river, was struck in the neck by a bullet.

Serious news comes from the northern sections of Cape Colony. The whole border district between Colesburg and Burgerdorp has declared for the Boers. In Venterstad alone more than 2,000 have joined the rebellion. The farmers have formed a commandeering committee, and talk confidently of a triumphal march on Cape Town. General Buller's proclamation has been torn down and tramped on, and the loyalists are bidden to hurry to Cape Town to prepare coffee for the rebels.

CAPTURE OF CONON.

Lieutenant Monroe Worked a Bluff or the Filipino.

Manila, Dec. 5.—The capture by Lieutenant Monroe and 50 men of the Fourth cavalry of the Filipino general, Conon, with 800 men and officers, with rifles, several American and 70 Spanish prisoners, at Bayombong, in the province of Nueva Vizcaya, was a successful bluff. Monroe tapped the rebel wire, telegraphed to Conon that he was advancing with a large force, and demanded his surrender. Afetr negotiations. Conon consented to capitulate to the "superior" force, whereupon Monroe telegraphed that he would enter the town with a small guard and receive the garrison's surrender. He captured the whole Filipino force, and secured their arms, the rebels supposing Monroe had an army behind him.

May Help Consumptives. Chicago, Dec. 5 .- A new serum. which it is claimed will show the presence of tuberculosis long before it would be possible to detect it by the microcope, the X-ray or other methods no n use, has been invented by Dr. A. J Jenkins, of this city. He does not claim to have discovered a new cure. but that the use of the serum aids competent physicians to detect the presence of the disease in its earliest stages, and in time to effect a cure by good sani,ation and plenty of outdoor exercise. It makes it possible to discover whether or not a case is true consumption, no Hitchcock, made public tonight, while matter how early or light the attack.

Wrecked by a Steer.

Great Falls, Mont., Dec. 5 .- A freght coming in on the Niehart branch of the Montana Central railroad rounded a sharp curve one mile from this city this evening and struck a steer. causing a terrible pile-up of the engine and 12 cars. L. A. Daniels, engineer; Patrick J. Riley, fireman, and Henry A. Edmiston, head brakeman, were crushed to death beneath the cab and the wrecked cars, within five feet of each other. Daniels leaves a family.

A Bradley Boom.

Cincinnati, Dec. 5 .- There is a novement on this side of the river as well as in Kentucky, to present the name of Governor Bradley for the nomnation for vice-president on the next icket with McKinley.

Rapid Telegraphing. New York, Dec. 5 .- A successful est was made tonight of the Pollakirag system of rapid automatic teleraphing between this city and Chi-The dispatches were sent from World office, via Pittsburg and ort Wayne, to the Tribune of Chiago. Joseph Virag, one of the inentors, handled the New York key. Although the wires were not in perfect

HELD UP BY ONE MAN.

Daring Robbery of an Express Car in South Carolina

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 4 .- An unknown white man, closely masked, held up the two messengers in a Southern express car tonight, and under cover of a revolver, compelled them to give up \$1,700 in cash. Eight thousand dollars in another safe was overlooked by the outlaw. The train had just left Branchville when Messengers Ramsey and Rhodes were covered with Objection Raised to Roberts Taking the two revolvers. One messener was made to stand with his hands over his head and the other was compelled to hand over the money packages in the safe. After warning the messengers not to put a foot outside of the car until the train had got under way again, the robber pulled the bell and jumped off as the train slowed up. The conductor saw the robber escaping alongside the track, but, thinking him a tramp, signaled the engineer ahead. When the train got under way the messengers came out and told their story. The car was a combination baggage and express, and the door had been opened to permit the conductor to reach the baggage section, which wa in the forward end of the car.

How the Khalifa Died.

Cairo, Dec. 4 .- Officers from the Soudan who have arrived here say that gress, the senate chamber was a veritawhen General Wingate's force overtook the khalifa, the latter tried to outflank convention of the senate, the chamber the Anglo-Egyptians, but failed. Seeing his position was hopeless, the khadie. He then spread a sheepskin on lence. the ground and sat down on it, with the emirs on each side of him. The khalifa was found shot in the head, heart, arms and legs, and the emirs were lying dead beside him. The members of his bodyguard were all gate's force swept over them without recognizing the khalifa and his emirs, but they were identified later. The khalifa is described as of medium height, strong and stout, cl light brown, color and wearing a long gray

Eureka, Cal., Dec. 4.—The steamer Weeott lies a total wreck on the south jetty of Humboldt bay, having struck the rocks there, and of the 24 souls on board all are safe but two. One passenger, Mrs. Carmichael, a resdent of Ferndale, this county, and Gus Nelson, a seaman of the steamer, lost their lives. Mrs. Carmichael was the first person the lifesaving crew tried to rescue. She was in the basket which was on the lifeline run to the doomed vessel from the jetty. A big breaker struck the basket as she was almost in the arms of her rescuers, and she was swept away. Her body was not recovered. Nelson was killed by a falling until tomorrow, in order that the rou-

Storm in Texas.

from points on the gulf in this section an accident, pure and simple. In the cause for alarm, but we do think that show that the damage to property and seat-drawing lottery, no provision had the spirit of disaffection is spreading, loss of life by the recent severe storm been made for Roberts, but when the and is likely, sooner or later, to burst were much greater than at first report- drawing was completed two others, as into flame whenever the United States ed. A number of small fishing craft well as himself, had not been provided government does or refrain from doing are missing, together with their crews. with seats, and the speaker asked and something which the Cuban leaders op-The bodies of James Sanders and two secured from the house permission for pose or desire." other men not yet identified have been those members who had not drawn

3,000 head of sheep in this manner. In ginning to end. Refugio and Aransas counties, there was a terrific fall of hail and chunks of derson and his induction into office. ice, some being five inches in diame- the appointment of the usual committer. More than 700 head of cattle were tees to wait upon the president, the killed by falling hail in the vicinity of seat-drawing contest, with the usual Lumar.

A Cure For Leprosy.

Honolulu, Nov. 25, via Victoria, B. C., Dec. 4.-Experiments are to be made here with a remedy for leprosy, which is said on reliable authority to have actually accomplished cures. The cure is a Venezeula shrub, of which samples were forwarded here by Surgeon-General Wyman, of the United States. The shrubs are growing here under the care of Dr. Carmichael, of the United tSates marine hospital service, who was asked by the department at Washington to make experiments with them. The shrub credited with the power of eradicating the malady, erto found to be incurable, is known in Venezuela as tantua.

Secretary Hitchcock's Annual Report. Washington, Dec. 4.-The annual report of Secretary of the Interior summing up the work in all the bureaus, is of special interest by reason of its statements regarding pension

At the close of the fiscal year there were 991,519 pensioners, a decrease of 2,195 during the year. The average annual value of all pensions was coming fiscal year. The secretary concurs in the recommendations procommence prior to the date of filing to flee.

Gigantic Sugar Trust. Chicago, Dec. 4 .- The News savs today: A \$200,000,000 trust is in con-

templation. There is every prospect

that the American Sugar Refining Company, and all so-called independent sugar refineries, will be consolidated Advance in Wages. Fall River, Mass., Dec. 4 .- All cotton manufacturers in this city represented in the Fall River Association

Elgin, Ill., Dec. 4 .- The Elgin National Watch Company today surprised vorking order, he managed to send its 2,400 employes by giving notce of a our messages at the rate of about 1,000 restoration of the wage scale of 1892, the advance being unsolicited.

benefited.

THE FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS

Senate Adjourned Farly as a Mark of Respect.

HENDERSON ELECTED SPEAKER

Oath and Action Postpourd Pending Report of Special Committee,

Washington, Dec. 5.-Appropriate ribute to the memory of the late Vice-President Hobart was paid by the senate today at its first session of the 56th congress Monday. The session lasted only 33 minutes, and only the most formal and necessary business was transacted. After the adoption of the usual routine resolutions and the administration to the new members of the oath of office, Sewell (Rep. N. J.) presented fitting resolutions upon the death of ordered to be communicated to the house of representatives, and the session, on motion of Kean (Rep. N. J.) was suspended.

As usual on the opening days of conble conservatory. Pending the actual presented a most animated and picturesque scene. The galleries were filled with a brilliant and distinguished aud-

Two protests were filed, one against the seating of Quay and the other against Clark, of Montana.

In the House. Washington, Dec. 5.-Enormous

crowds witnessed the opening scenes in the house yesterday The principal interest centered in the disposition of Roberts, the Mormon representative from Utah. Those who anticipated a Havana Commercial Company Sends sensational denoument were disappointed. The programme outlined by the Republican leaders at their conference Friday night was partially carried out. retary Root's report, pronounces them The objection to the administration of the oath to Roberts was entered by dependence is safe." Tayler, of Ohio, as predicted, and he stepped aside without protest except to ask if by doing so he waived any of his rights. To this the speaker responded ern themselves, owing to their lack of in the negative. There was not a protest from any quarter against the objection to the administration of the oath to Roberts, but on the contrary the only subject of independence, leaving it voice raised, except that of Tayler, was that of McRae, a Demcorat of Arkansas, who joined with Tayler in his protest. Tayler offered his resolution to tions in the province of Pinar del Rio, refer the case to a special committee, and by mutual arrangement the consideration of the resolution was postponed spar which struck him, breaking his tine business in connection with the

Rockport, Tex., Dec. 4.—Reports today, he secured a seat. This was by not believe there is any immediate found in the mouth of St. Charles bay. seats to make such selections as they Several thousand head of sheep and could. Under this authority, Roberts hundreds of cattle were driven into the got a seat in an obscure portion of the gulf by the storm and drowned. One hall. His daughter sat in the gallery ranchman, George Brundett, lost over and watched the proceedings from be-

After the election of Speaker Henamusing features, went off without a hitch. The only feature out of the ordinary was the reception of the Reed rules as the rules for the present congress. They were adopted by a strict party vote.

Seldom, if ever, have such enormous crowds swarmed around the house to witness the opening scenes of the ses-

sion as besieged the doors today. Very early in the day a monster petition, said to consist of 7,000,000 names, protesting against the seating of Roberts, was brought into the hall. It had been collected by the New York Journal. It consisted of 28 rolls of names, each about two feet in diameter, encased in the American flag. These rolls were stacked up in the area in front of the clerk's desk and were viewed with great curiosity.

COAL MINERS STRIKE.

Women Use Guns and Knives to Drive Men From Work.

Cheyenee, Wyo., Dec. 6 .- A week ago 600 miners employed in the mines of the Diamondville Coal & Coke Company, at Diamondville, Wyo., struck for an increase in wages. Their demands were refused, and a small force \$132.74. The Spanish war probably of non-union men went to work. At will increase the pension roll in the an early hour this morning a mob of 300 women and girls, armed with guns, knives, clubs and stones, marched to viding that no pension be granted to the mines and compelled the operators

The miners at work were dragged from the mines and also driven away. with clubs, and one man was shot at, small force of deputies guarding the company's property was powerless.

The miners have been importing arms and ammunition and more trouble is looked for.

Caught in a Cave-In.

decided today to grant an advance of Denver, Dec. 4 .- By a cave-in at the 10 per cent in wages beginning Decemexcavation for a sewer at Thirty-fourth ber 11. About 2,800 hands will be and Downing avenues this evening, several laborers were buried. The bodies of George Holts, C. A. Carlson and Henry Nelson, have been taken out. It is not known how many were in the trench, but the foreman believes all are accounted for.

NO REBELS THERE.

foung Expected a Fight at Tagudin,

Manila, Dec. 6.—The Spanish transport Aliva and the gunboats Villa Lobes and Quios, with the Spanish garrison and civilians of the Caroline islands, arrived here today. They report that the German governors of the islands, who arrived on the warship Jaguar, occupied Yap November 3, Reipan November 16 and Ponapi October 3. They garrisond the places with 15 men each. The Spanish governors of Yap and Ponapi said they considered the small German garrisons in danger from the natives. The Spanish gunboats will probably be offered for sale to the United States government.

The Spanish secretary, Senor Benquente, has arrived here with a note from Lieutenant Gilmore to his sister, Mrs. Major Price. He says he has been ill, but is now in fairly good health. The Spaniards befriended him and gave him money and clothes. The Americans left Namapacan, prov-

ince of Union, this morning, expecting to have a fight at Tagudin, in South the vice-president, the resolutions were llicos, but they found, on arriving there, that 600 rebels under General Tino had evacuated 36 hours before deserting an almost impregnable posi-

The residents of Tagudin received the Americans outside the town with a brass band. They had been robbed of almost everything by the insurgents, and were glad to welcome friendly and protecting troops.

A similar reception awaited General Young at Santa Cruz.

The inhabitants of Santa Cruz and of other towns through which the Americans passed say that Aguinaldo and his entre refugee army have gone into the mountains eastward since the Oregon, Samar and Callao attacked Vgan and landed a force there.

SITUATION IN CUBA.

Armed Guards to Its Plantation. Havana, Dec. 6, -The Patria, discussing the references to Cuba, in Sec-

The Neuve Pais says:

"The Americans evidently still believe that the Cubans are not fit to goveducation, and they still intend to educate us until we are fit for self-government. Mr. Root does not discuss the where it was on January 1." The Havana Commercial Company is

placing armed guards on its planta-

and will apply to Governor-General Brooke for an infantry contingent. Mr. Merryless, the manager, says: "The company would not go to the expense of arming a number of men organization might be transacted today. unless this was thought necessary for Although Roberts was not sworn in the protection of its interests. We do

SHIPS WRECKED BY STORM. Australians Struggling With Tariff

Question-The Wool Crop. Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 6 .- Unusually cold weather and heavy gales are reported from New Zealand. During a storm in November the ship Pleiades went ashore on the New Zealand coast. Her officers and crew were saved, but the ship cannot be moved from the rocks upon which she is now resting high and dry. During the same gale the steam collier Hesketh went ashore at the Greymouth bar, where also the

Mapowicka was recently stranded. A tariff conference has been held at Melbourne by manufacturers and others interested in securing a protective tariff for Australia. They prepared a tariff schedule for submission to parliament. when customs regulations of the federation are being determined, and an intercolonial protectionist association has been formed, and efforts are being made to change the free-trade sentiment throughout all the colonies.

The wool crop this year will proba-

bly be less than that of 1898. Mistaken for Aguinaldo.

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 6 .- This city was thrown into a state of tremendous excitement today by the detention at police headquarters of a man supposed to be Aguinaldo. H. W. Treat, of New York, informed the American consul this afternoon that a suspiciouslooking stranger, bearing a marked resemblance to Aguinaldo, had come over from Victoria today. It finally developed that the stranger, who is a Hindoo, had been under suspicion in various American cities. When he learned that he was believed to be Aguinaldo. he quickly proved an alibi and was re-

Hobart's Will.

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 4.-The will of the late Vice-President Hobart was filed for probate today. The value of the estate is not given, but it is under-Several were injured by being struck stood to be \$2,500,000. Of the estate the widow receives \$1,000,000 and presumably by one of the number of half of the remainder. After a number strikers concealed near the mines. The of bequests are paid, the sop, Garret Hobart, jr., inherits the other half

when he attains his majority. Rear End Collision In Colorado. Denver, Dec. 6 .- A rear-end collision

occurred between two passenger trains on the Rio Grande this morning, in which six persons were killed outright and several others severely injured. The accident happened at English switch, about six miles east of Salida, at 6 A. M. The killed are: C. E. Osgood, Denver; H. R. Matthews, Denver; Peter Barnes, Denver; Mrs. Geo. Porter, Grand Junction; A. R. Johnston, Oberlin, Ohio, and an unknown