TORPEDO BOAT **DESTROYERS ESCAPE**

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The Daily Tele-graph's Chefoo correspondent reports that eight torpedo boat destroyers have escaped from Port Arthur, where for the last twenty-four hours he says, a severe snow storm has been raging. Situation Is Unchanged.

Mukden, Dec. 22.—The situation is nuchanged. The opposing armies still continue their artillery fights, and both and torpedo boats are proceeding west to the castward.

Japanese off for Madagascar.

si les nave extended their positions far from Singapore has been received here with much interest. It is not believed Chinese report that Oyama has estab- however, that suche a small squadron lished headquarters at Liao Yang and has been sent out by Japan with any the Japanese are now constructing new idea of engaging in offensive operations but it is regarded as more probable the The Japanese are reported to be suf- purpose of this squadron is to keep surfering from cold and sickness in the veiflance over the two detachments of vicinity of Palaszandzi and Shilikhe, the Russian fleet, which is expected to where, it is asid, they lost 2000 men in soon unite in the neighborhood of Mad-

MAKE MOVE TO PRESENT

RIVER IMPROVEMENT.

Opportunity to Discuss Matter.

The Albany Commercial club has fi-

the Willamette river improvements and

a telegram from that city to a Portland

"The board of directors of the Al

bary Commercial club met last eve-

ning and, after discussing the metter

the to lay the matter of the necessity

of an open channel from Portland to

Corvallis before United States Senator

John H. Mitchell and Congressman

Binger Hermann when these two arrive

in Portland from Washington. The two

will be invited to come to Albany ont

evening during their stay when an ef-

fort will be made to seenre the co-op-

eration of commercial bodies of Salem

Independence and Corvallis in present-

ing the necessity of an open river to the

two men, and they will be urged to

Support the recommendations for the

"These recommendations include re

vetment work for the river at Albany,

lem to Corvallis so that boats can reach

"The same committee was also in

structed to memorialize the War De-

partment urging the purchase of the

Oregon tity locks so as to remove that obstruction to river navigation. These

locks are now the only ones in the Uni-

ted States where tolls are charged for

the passage of traffic. Captain A. B.

Graham was before the boar | and explained the necessity for work on the

river to open a channel and for keep-

Regarding the revetment here when

cuators Mitchell and Fulton were here

at ut State Fair tine they were taken

over and shown the n tessities of the

of the improvement demanded by this

city and concurred in the suggestion that something should be done there-

with. It is also necessary that some-

thing be done to keep the river open

for transportation all the year and it is

s simple thing if gone about rightly.

It is to be hoped that Senator Mitchell

and Congressman Hermann may find

GIVEN THE DECISION.

SENATOR MAYS

Others to Defraud United

States.

in Township 24 South, Range 1 East.

PORTLAND, Dec. 21 .- The first sen-

sational indictments which it has been

expected would result from the present

eral grand jury were returned today,

when Franklin Pierce Mays was ac-

cused of having conspired to defraud

range I east. This township is located

in the Calipooia mountains between

Mays is a prominent young lawyer of this city and a member of the most

The indictment also includes McKin

ley, Puter, Emma Watson, who are al-

the government, and Marie Ware, a de

fendant in the first land frauds case,

but who was acquitted, Robert W. Simpson, John Doe and Richard Roc.

hitherto connected with those cases so

persons conspired together to defraud

the government on December 23, 1901

by the use of false and forged applications, affidavits and proofs of home

The indictment alleges that

stead entry and settlement.

The last three, like Mays, were not

this-

prominent pioneer families in

Lane and Douglas counties.

far as is known.

in Calipooia Mountains,

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 22,-Jimmy

IS INDICTED

HAD THE GOODS FIX

NEGRO ACTOR STEALS CLOTHING AND BICYCLE AND POLICE HAD HIM EARLY.

Found the Clothing in His Pessession in Value at Theatre and Had the Bicycle in Hall at His Rooms-He Is Now in the City Jail.

What was really a fine piece of work was that accomplished by the local poliee force yesterday.

Yesterday Marshal Gibson received notification from Dr. W. Carleton Smith paper says as follows: that he had lost two pairs of trousers and an overcoat from his office and the marrhal started out on their trail. It was not long before he had his eyes on of an open river, appointed a commita new "coon" who struck the city on Monday as a part of the Edison theatrical company, Benjamin Jarrett, the boy who has been so popular in the theatre as the terpsichorean artist.

Taking but a short time to satisfy himself that Jarrett was the tight man, the marshal run him in and proceeded to search the boy's room, in which he found a valise, and in the valise the

in addition to this in the corridor by his room, was a bicyale, which the coon had stolen from Harry Bosler of Willamette, 376 Church street.

One of the peculiar things about the case is that the negro made no attempt Corvallis, Independence and Salem, as to get away, and when he was taken in well as dredging of the river from Sa-"Ah don'no what I've been arrested foh; they say it's about a bieyele or a tricycle or suth', but ah don'no nothin' about 'em.'' It is said he is a frequenter of Chinese houses and there ore it is more than likely he is user of the festive hop. Had he been well overloaded with Chinese opium, he may have stolen the things while in that peculiar state when everything en opium takes sees is his in his own

Jarrett came here from the Bijou theatre in Portland, to play a few nights at the Edicon, and had made a bet there as a dance artist, and the managers of the theatre are very much curprised and sorry to know that one of their number should prove a simple larceny thief. Doe Gibson, the marshal, arrested him about 7 o'clock and he will appear before the city recorder this this morning for examination.

MINNESOTA AT ESQUIMALT.

VICTORIA, Dec. 22.- The steamer Minnesota which arrived today from New London to enter the Oriental time to investigate the matter. trade for the Great Northern Railway was obliged to let go her anchor at Esquimalt, owing to the heavy gale. The reception by the local board of The reception by the local board of Kelley of Chicago, was given the detrade and other organizations was design over Frank Grazy, of New York, abandoned in consequence of the storm. in a 10-round bout tonight. abandoned in consequence of the storm.

TO CONTROL RAILROADS

Inaugural Bali Question is Passed It Is Claimed Mays Conspired With Over Until After the Holidays by Congress,

Attorney General Moody Preparing Bill Jury Declares the Conspiracy Was in for Legislation Governing Railway Rates Through Interstate Commission-Freight Rebates Especially.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.-The President today discussed with several callers the proposed legislation regarding the question of Railroad freight rebates and the question of empowering the interstate commission with authority to adjust freight rates where found to be

The President is anxious that legislathe United States government of public tion in the interest of the shippers be lands situated in township 24 south, enacted at the earliest practicable

It is stated today by one of the President's callers, that Attorney General Moody is engaged in the preparation of a bill that will substantially embody the views of the administration.

Inaugural Ball Held Up. Washington, Dec. 21.-The objection from Mann, of Illinois, for the unanimous consent to take up the inaugural resolution in the House of Rtresentatives today sent the whole matter over until after the holidays. Merrill, of Pennsylvania, moved the passage of the Senate resolution, which among other things provides for the holding of the inaugural ball in the pension building. but Underwood, of Alabama, and Mann insisted that a quorum of the

House be present to conscider the mat-Immediately after Mann's objection Part of the applicants, the indictment the House adjourned till after January secured by Puter and McKinley.

UNTIL 10:30 O'CLOCK TODAY

THERE MAY BE DISAGREEMENT

When She Heard the News That Case Was Not Decided She Came Moar Coll psing.

It Is Rumored That Jury Stands Nine for Acquittal and Three for Convic-

ALBANY BOARD OF TRADE WILL three men are holding out against nine Feels That as Senator Mitchell and who desire to acquit the defendant. It Congressman Hermann Are Coming Here, Now Is the Time and This the One juror, it is said, is holding out for

POPULATION OF ALASKA.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 .- The an nual report of Governor Brady of Alaska, was made public today. It esti-mates the total white population of that district as being 26,500. The total number of natives is 29,536. The total pack of the salmon canning industry aggregated 1,910,000 cases during the

The report asks for better transpor tation facilities, representation in Congress, legislation to encourage the home secker, and the building of boats to errite the Alaskan waters and to protest the industries thera.

OTHER PROMINENT MEN UN-KNOWN ARE MENTIONED

A'bany and Corvallis throughout the It Is Said By the Oregonian That Three of Oregon's Congressional Delegation Are To Be Indicted By the Grand Jury.

> PORTLAND, Dec. 22. (Special to the Statesman.-The Qregonian wil print the following tomorrow:

"To secure the indistment presentative Williamson for alleged conspiracy to defraud the Government of the United States of a portion of its public lands is as much the purpose and intention of officials now engaged in conducting the investigations of the Federal Grand Jury as it is their endeavor to have indictments returned against Senator Mitchell and Congressman Binger Hermann.

"Evidence and testimony are being and have been prepared by which the Government hopes and expects not ouly to indict those three men but there will also be a determined effort to secure their conviction at the succeeding a monthly rental of \$2. trial. Such is the opinion of an authority which cannot be questioned and in view of the certainty of statements saying the farmers were anxious to which have been made, the remainder unite with the towns in establishing a of the sessions of the Grand Jury will be fraught with intense interest to the people of the entire country.

"The entrance of Mr. Williamson in to the land fraud cases comes as a great surprise, but it 'ass developed through a connection existing between him and F. P. Mays, as well as many other deals which have been discover ed in various parts of the state by the Government officials who have been probing the records of the land transactions of the past few years. It is stated that Williamson has been closely connected with Mays in his dealings, and the charge is made by the Goveernt that he has handled lands and helped an Attempt to Secure Public Lands in their handling, which he knew to have been taken from the Government

> under fraudulent pretenses. "It is said he has operated in Western Oregon and that the vicinity of Prineville, his home, has also been the seat of his operations and that there are those now living in both sections of the state who will yet come under

investigations being made by the fed- the notice of the Grand Jury. "Tonight Senator Mitchell and Mr. Hermann will reach Portland, the destination of their transcontinental journey. They come with the expectation of being able to explain away tily endorses the efforts of public spirtheir alleged connection with fraude in public lands which are apparently reaching such proportions that they are the subject of Cabinet discussions

in Washington, "Xhey say they are innocent, and that time will right their wrongs and show that they have been and are now the objects of a conspiracy, itstead of being the originators or participants in one.

ready convicted of conspiracy against "But it is now definitely stated the prosecution expects to prove entirely to the contrary of the declaration made by the two Congressmen from Oregon Their talk has not been idle rumor i is sald, and it will be cold facts be fore another two weeks have passe

over the waiting people.
"How, though, are the Senator and the Representatives connected? is the common query. That is a hard question to be answered with any amount of de-

by the story of May's connection with Puter, who is convicted of one offense, Puter, who is convicted of one offense, that he has been more interested with Puter in his dealings. It was Mays, who, as attorney of Puter, gave the lat-ter the letter of introduction to John H. Mitchell at Washington. This much MISS PATTERSON HAS TO WAIT is shown in the testimony of the trial OPPICIAL COUNT OF THE VOTES at which Puter was convicted. Mitchell took Puter, upon the presentation of the letter to him, to Hermann and told the commissioner that Puter was one of the best men in Oregon, entirely re-sponsible and it would be a favor if the lands in which he was interested were to be passed through out of their order; that they be taken from the list of suspended claims and made succial and immediate. This much has been shown at the former trial. But this is not all. Allegations will be made tout Total Vote Is 460,078 Less Than Four Mitchell was the friend and helpmate for Murder in Sec. nd Degree . of timber dealers and lobbyists, that his committee rooms in Washington were headquarters for this class of men and that he shared in their confidence and helped in their benefits. This is, NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The jury in in part, the nature of evidence which the Nan Patterson case was locked up it is reported will be brought to bear at 11:26 tonight, not having reached a sgainst the testimony of the Senator verdict. When Miss Patterson heard the news in the ''pen'' it was so unexpected she came near collapsing. There is no opportunity of hearing the total wrong. Hermann will have his inforty-five states.

There is no opportunity of hearing the turn in the jury room with the Senator. The total vote is 13,508,496 against three total vote is 13,508,496 against the compaction with the Senator. jury again until 10:30 tomorow morn- His connection with the Puter-Mays 13,9 ing, the hour fixed by the court for the deal will be shown, it is asserted. He 078. His connection with the Puter-Mays 13,968,574 in 1900, a decrease of 460,report of the twelve men who will de-cide the fate of the chorus girl. The the general land office, took the sus-Roosevelt, 7,627,632; Parker, 5,080 latest rumor from the jury room is that pended claims from the table and expedited frem to patent at the request and solicitation of Puter and Mays and is reported there are three jurors at others. Nor is this all the ex-com-odds over the seriousness of the erime. missioner will be asked to explain. The missioner will be asked to explain. The story of the missing letter files will gree, and two are reported to favor Oregon. Thus the stories rum, and but South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and the first chapter has yet been written. Virginia, while Roosevelt got more than Thread after thread is being taken up did McKinley in tre other thirty-two and fitted into them. Corroboration is states. coming in from every part of the state | Parker received more votes than Bry-

SENATE ADJOURNS.

4, next. The proceedings consisted of portionment of 1900.
a prayer by Chaplain Hale, the reading Parker carried thirteen states sien, and the receipt of a number of nominations from the President.

TO CONSIDER MATTERS CON-

NECTED WITH CITY.

nect Rural Lines With City Phone

There was a good attendance of the

pany, the erection of which as being

the vicinity of Salem, and a most not-

iccable feature of the evening was the

interest displayed by all present and

sions on the different subjects presen

The interests of the Bell Telephon

Company were ably looked after by Mr.

W. H. Daney, who said that if the

Or the company would install a com

plete system and maintain the lines for

Mr. Goodrich of Chemawa, appeared

in the interests of the independent line

farmers' telephone system, giving

history of its construction, and thought

city should not be lightly laid aside,

A committee of three consisting

F. W. Spencer, L. M. Gilbert and Gid

Sherwood was appointed to encourage

Mr. McDonald of the committee of

spraying fruit trees and prevention of

insect posts, reported that the commit-

tee had secured a modern spraying ma-

chine and employed a first class man,

The infected trees on the property of non-residents would be earefully looked

after under the direction of the State

The action of the committee was

The following resolution was adop

"Resolved, That this organization of

ited citizens to seer e the laying of payements on the business streets of

"Resolved, That this organization

lend its influence to this great step of

enterprise toward making this city cleaner and more healthful business an

residence city, and we recommend the

pacity that will promote the paving of

our business streets and the improve

ment of our residence and surburban

streets with crushed rock or some better material."

WILL DISMANTLE ESQUIMALT.

unanimously endorsed by the club.

the establishment of the rural lines.

Paving Matter.

for \$6 per year.

met half way.

Herticultural Society.

ted:

this city.

CONGRESSMAN WILLIAMSON AND MEETING OF COMMERCIAL CLUB MARION COUNTY EXHIBIT AT LEWIS AND CLARK FAIR TO BE FINE ONE.

> Independent Companies Desire to Con-System-Resolutions Favoring Street for the Exhibition.

Commercial Club to hear the discussion relating to the establishment of a Farmers' Co-operative Telephone Com-Clark Fair, was in the city yesterday agitated among the farmers residing in and in conversation with a Statesman man said that the work of making the collection was progressing very finely their active participation in the discusin every way.

"The people of Marion county are farmers would build their own line his of grain or something that will aid in company would maintain the service asking up the exhibit, and you may unite with the towns in establishing a rural telephone system. Mr. Gilbert of Rosedale, reviewed the matter of a the demand of the farmers to enter the should be allowed to enter as the city be marked in each individual instance who held him up with a Winchester and permission to string wires along the will be a man of the county and will be a man of the county and will be a man of the county reads. We will be a man of the county reads. permission to string wires along the will be a map of the county handy to county roads. Mr. Goodrich closed the show the vision exactly where the set debate by asking that the farmers be icles are grown, and tous all the coun-

Seven Lose Lives Near Bolivar, Penn sylvania-Accident Has Peculiar Features.

BOLIVAR, Pa., Dec. 22.-Seven men suffocated today in the soft clay mine of the Reese Hammond Fire Brick Co. near here. The victims weer Austrians. About twenty-five men were in the business men of the city of Salem hearmine and all but seven were rescued, though all are in bad condition and

> mouth of the mine, and the airshaft extending from the working part to the surface some distance in mine acted as the heat and smoke from the fire.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MINING MAN-

ST. PAUL, Wn. Dec. 22 .- President

TO ANNEX ISLANDS. SYDNEY, N. S. W., Dec. 22.-Two tail. But if Williamson is entangled caretakers will have charge of the dock British warships have sailed for the

THE BRIBED MEN **VOTES CAST** DENY THE STORY

LONDON Dec. 22.—The publication having received a certain amount of at St. ePtersburg of a statement that the Hull fishermen have voluntarily he made was untrue. FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS. SHOWS THE VOTE BY PARTIES

the Hull fishermen have voluntarily deposed that there were foreign torpe lo boats among the Dogger Bank trawlers when the latter were fired upon by the ships of the Russian fleet, is probably nothing more than a repetition of similar statements emanating from Hull denial, saying there was no truth in the London papers. Associated Press Sends Pull Staten

of Official Canvass Completed Yesterday.

within the last few days.

These are circumstantial and would certainly make it appear to be true that some of the men of the Gamecoek Years Ago In the Presidential Election-13,508,496 Votes Cast In All-Roosevelt Gets 7,627,362.

CHICAGO, Dec. 22 .- The official canvass of the votes cast for Presidential

Roosevelt, 7,627,632; Parker, 5,080,054; Debs, 391,587; Swallow, 260,303; Watson, 114,637; Corregan, 33,453; Hilcomb, Continental Labor, 830.

Mcinley polled more votes than Roos-evelt in, Alabama, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Mississip-

and will continue to do so for days yet, an in Delaware, Georgia, Mississippi, until the Grand Jury writes "finis" Newk Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, at the end." South Carolina, and West Virginia, while Bryan got more than Parker in the remaining thirty-seven states.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21 .- After a Roosevelt carried thirty-two states, session of four minutts duration, the against twenty-eight by McKinley and Senate adjourned today until January has 336 electoral votes under the ap-

of the journal of Monday's brief ses against seventeen by Bryan, and has sien, and the receipt of a number of 140 electoral votes. Bryan had 155 under the apportionment in force in 1900.

Commission Appointed by the County is Doing Excellent Work and is Making Fine Collection of Various Products

W. A. Taylor, of Macleas, appointed by the county court to make a collection of grains and grasses for the Marion county exhibit at the Lewis and

the best in the world when it comes to anything like this," said Mr. Taylor. "Not a single one of those that I have seen has refused to give some sample schools. Thirty-eight secret orders are feel sure that the exhibit when it is completed will be the best showing of Marion county's products ever gotten together. One man, Hon. John A. Hunt, has offered us ten bushels of eorn, and says that if we will let him he will put up a crib of logs, after the old fashioned corn crib and will make such a showing of the corn in the ear as will attract attention from all visitors. Many others have offered or already given large samples of different things. The collection will be made show the visior exactly where the artty will receive attention from every visitor. There will be no 'garden what they purport to be-products of the farms,

MEN SUFFOCATED IN MINE.

two are likely to die. A small building burned down at the

As soon as it could be done, the burning shanty was torn away and the resevers rushed into the mine, but already five of the men had succumbed to the heat and smoke and the others were in a dying condition.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 22.—The Elliott, of the Northern Pacific Rail-British naval station at Esquimalt will be partially dismantled in keeping with R. Claghorn as Monager of the Norththe new policy of the Britisa Admiral- era Pacific mining properties. When the process of reduction is complete it is expected that none but

with Mays, so is Hermann and so is yard and repair shops which heretofore Tonga Islands, with the reported in-Mitchell, it is said. It has been shows have employed large numbers of men. Cention of annexing taem.

the trawler Ava and he said today he ing servise, and also to soldiers who

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.- The Secre-tary of War issued an order today aufleet had made statements before the Russian Consul.

The name of only one of the men has been revealed. He is a boatswain on or prior to their transfer to the recruit-

MAY LIVE OUT OF QUARTEES.

CAUSE OF ERROR BETTER ROADS

the statement.

NEWS MAN UNWITTINGLY PUB- LIBERTY ROAD DISTRICT TO TAKE LISHES STATEMENT OF TAX-PAYERS IN MARION.

and appearing in the London papers

List Was Taken From New Directory and no Doubt Was Had of Its Correctness-Other Information in the Directory.

The Statesman published yesterday a list giving the names of such persons as presumably paid taxes on a sum ing a special tax for road purposes. A equalling or exceeding \$5000 in this meeting is to be held for this purpose county, but the hail storm of complaints and it is hoped the citizens of that disof errors caused the news editor to hunt triet will take the proper interest in his hole early in the day and stay in the matter and attend the meeting. until he had time to explain.

The errors were glaring in many utes thereof.

cases, resulting in understating the The meetings shall have power to amount, and in others in omitting names of persons paying taxes in large For example, Mr. A. Bush was cred-

Otherwise, the directory is a valuable

book, and gives much interesting information regarding the city and county. There are 4637 names in the book, and the compilers say that this will give the city an approximate population of fourteen thousand inhabitants.

The book shows that there are twentyfive churches and six religious societics. Here it is believed the list is ing at which the tax is levied. faulty, there being one or two more There are ten social societies in Salem. Fifteen schools and colleges, six public reported as having lodges here, The book also carries a brief directory of the others towns of this county.

THE CODY BANK ROBBERS.

bers, was captured Tuesday and is in per awaiting identification Erwin was seen at a ranch near nouth of Gooseberry creek. Ferton and Will Hammitt took the trail, leaving Bert Hoitz to watch the mouth of the Gooseberry. The robber made a circle to beat off the officers and about two

There is no doubt as to the prisoner's identity.

ARTHUR ON UNEQUALLED SCALE AND TAKE FORT.

They Say They Hope to Take the Fort Before Chinese New Year-Rumors That They Have Lost Position Are Rife, But Seem Doubtful at Present

LONDON, Dec. 21 .- The Daily Tele graph's Chefoo correspondent ways the steamer Lady Mitchell, which sailed from Tsingtau with supplies, ammunition and dynamite, reached Port Arthur during the snow storm four nights ago. a sort of a flue and drew into the drift It is rumored that the Japanese were compelled to evacuate their position on

The Japanese, the correspondent adds, are employing thousands of cool-ies in making strong forts at Dalny, and around Port Arthur.

ture Port Arthur before the Chinese New Year, and an attack is preparing that will be on a hitherto unequalled scale, and will mean either success perrible disaster to the besiegers.

KNOCKED HIM OUT. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.-Monte Antell knocked out Johnny Regan of New

was induced to make the statement receive permission from the War De while he was intoxicated. He admits partment to marry.

ADVANTAGE OF THE NEW

BOAD LAW.

Meeting to Be Called for Levying Special Road Tax-Englewood Precinct Also Reported as Figuring on Getting

in Line-Action Necessary at Once,

The Liberty road district is again taking the lead in the matter of levy-

The new law provides that whenever The statement was unwittingly cull- three freeholders of any road district ed from the list of taxpayers as given in the new city directory published by R. L. Polk & Co., which list the Statesman news man supposed was correct. In looking through the directory he discovered the list, recognized its news sired, the supervisor shall cause writvalue, and used it. That the list was ten notices of such meeting, stating the very carelessly made is perhaps not the fault of R. L. Polk & Co., as they employed the services of a man to make it up for them. This compiler, like the news editor of the Statesman, was probably ignorant of the fact that each taxpayer is assessed by precincts, and not alone in one precinct, but such seems to be the ing, and shall become a part of the min

the determine what, if any, or portions thereof, of the road dis trict shall be improved in any specia ited with paying taxes on \$18,000, when and character of the improvement in point of fact, he pays on an assessment of \$180,000. Had the Statesman not supposed the directory list was corectly compiled, it would not have court. The meetings shall also have court. The meetings shall also have power to levy a special tax, not to exeeed ten mills on the dollar, upon all taxable real and personal property of the district, for the purpose of raising money with which to defray the expense of such special improvement. The levy shall be based upon the valuation of the taxable property as shown by

next preceding the district road meet

The special road taxes shall be col-lected in the same manner and at the same time as taxes for county pur-poses are collected, and shall be paid to the county treasurer, to be kept in a separate fund for each road district. District No. 27 is also reported as taking action under the new road law, and the tax payers of road district No. BASIN, Wyo., Dec. 22.—Bob Irwin, line. This latter district comprises the larger of the two Cody bank rale Englewood precinct, and as the forthcoming funds will undoubtedly ze inadequate to meet the demands of this district, which is called upon to keep up many important roads leading into Salem, it is more than probable that advantage will be taken of the special

> Besides those mentioned, a number of raod districts have signified their intention to call meetings of the taxpayers to consider the matter of levy special road tax, and as the time is growing short it will be necessary to take action at once.

raised samples' among Marien county's ARE AFTER PORT WANT DEPEW

JAPANESE WILL ATTACK PORT A CONFERENCE HELD IN YORK FOR THE PURPOSE OF STRENGTHENING DEPEN

> Committee Was Appointed to Call on Governor Odell, Who Was Not Invited to the Meeting as it Was Purely Depew Session.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.-The conferthe reclection of Senator Depew wa held according to program at the Fift Avenue Hotel today. It was in se sion about three hours and adjourne Etz mountain by a flanking fire and explosion of the Rusian mines, from which they lost heavily. the sentiment expressed at the ference. Woodruff was accor by Senator Depew and met Odell lat Odell said he did not know what is place at Platt's conference, but he knew that whoever was cho the Republican organization would elected. After the conference Bon Platt said it was truly represent and clearly showed that the se of the people of the state was a

> Mrs. S. A. Kozer went to Portle yesterday afternoon to spend the ac