A GRAVE POLITICAL SITUATION

ENGLAND'S CRISIS.

Belief That Emperor William's Attitud Was Intended to Provoke War.

The gravity of the political crisis in Eng land is increasing instead of diminishing. The attitude of Emperor William toward Great Britain in the matter of Dr. Jameson' freebooting expedition into the Transvaal, upon closer study, scems to have been de-liberately and carefully planned. The Trans-vaal heident, it would appear, was only the pretext scined upon by the emperor in order to enter the field as an active opponent of Great Britain's policy of aggrandizement in Africa, and her little misunderstanding with King Prempeh, of Ashanti, together with her support of Italy's warfare against Abyssinia, are believed to have been the irritating fra-tures which finally induced his majesty to show his hand. Of course this is only a sam-ple of the rumors in circulation here, but it shows the drift of the wind, and has served to incense the British to a degree not wit-messed since war with Russia was threatened some years ago. freebooting expedition into the Transvaal,

Beased since war with Russia was threatened some years ago. To make matters worse, it is now reported that the Fransvani republic will demand an indemnity of 22,500,000 from Great Britain as one of the results of Dr. Jameson's inva-sion of the little Dutch republic. If this turns out to be the case, no doubt will be en-tertained that Emperor William, in his recent interview with Dr. W. J. Leyds, secretary of state of the Transvaal, prompted this demand and may also have announced his intention of supporting it.

and may also have announced his intention of supporting it. Under these circumstances, and in view of war preparations by land and sea, how being vigorously pushed by Great Britain, it is not astonishing that there was an ominous drop in consuls which, as much as anything, is a clear indication that the gravity of the political situation is not newspaper exaggera-

Disputches from Berlin announce that Em peror William had an important conference with Dr. Kayser, chief of the German col-onial office, and that further dispatches have been exchanged between Berlin and Pretoria

The German emperor, it appears, had plan The German emperor, it appears, had plan-ned to land a force of Germans at Delagoa Bay, in order to asals the Boers agniss the British, and only desisted from so doing when he learned of Dr. Jameson's defeat and capture. This, it is claimed, is proof that his message to President Kruger, congratu-lating him upon his victory over the British and his majesty's reported announcement to Dr. W. J. Leyds that Germany refused to recognize any suscentiaty over the Transvaal, were well weighed moves and the result of a prearmanged policy. prearranged policy, Great Britain is evidently determined not

Great Britan is evidently determined not to be caught unprepared for war. The re-port that orders have been sent to Ports-mouth. Devenport and Chatham for the im-mediate commissioning of a flying squadron of warships is confirmed. The admirnity are now preparing lists of the officers and men for the squadron which will comprise the armored battleships Royal Oak and Revenge and the cruisers Gibralter, Hermione, Charybdis and Theseus. It is announced upon official authority that Admiral Rawson, commanding the Cape and West Africa squadron, has been ordered to take his flagship, the St. George, to Dela-goa bay.

to the intermediate propagations, the greatest gen bay. Besides these preparations, the greatest activity is displayed at all the ship yards, making ready for a call for the commission-ing of more ships as soon at needed, and the naval reserve lists are being prepared in readiness for the emergency.

CONTEMPT FOR UITLANDERS.

They are Roundly Denounced for Their Desertion of Dr. Jameson.

A dispatch from Capetown says that after nightfall on the day of the battle between Dr. Jameson and his followers and the Boers

Dr. Jameson and his followers and the Boers the latter used search lights, themselves re-maining under cover and relying upon their sharpshooters to pick off Jameson's men. The Westminster Gazette has a dispatch from Capetown which says: "A general feeling of nauseating contempt for the Uitlanders of Johannsburg exists here. This feeling is based upon their obvious cowardlee in sitting quietly down after luring Dr. Jameson into his blunder and offering him no assistance whatever."

Jameson into his blunder and offering him no assistance whatever." The Johannesburg Standard has cabled to London, under the date of January 3, that 4,000 Boers, with Maxim guns, surrounded Dr. Jameson's men and that 100 of the latter were killed or wounded. After Jameson and his men surrendered they were disarmed and marched to Pretoria. A revulsion of feeling has set in at Johannesburg, and the reform leaders are roundly denounced for their de-sertion of Dr. Jameson. It was a mob revo-

TELEGRAPHIC TICKS.

A decree has been gazetted prohibiting the export from France or the French colonies of warlike munitions intened for the Islands of Cuba.

Minnie Palmer, the actress, says she will sarry the Duke D'Estrella, of Navarre, in ondon, on May 15, and then retire from the St. Louis Capitalists May Build a Village

Spaulding, Jennings & Co., steel manufac-turers at Jersey City, N. J., have assigned to Charles T. Hairiand for the benefit of

A movement is on foot in Alabama to put out a free-silver ticket for State officers. The movers are Republicans, Populists and free-silver Democrats.

Rose May Abbott, of Boston, has confes she stole \$3,000 worth of diamonds from her employer, Mrs. T. H. Burbeck, at the insti-gation of George Thing.

A big four-masted iron vessels is ashore near Carmanah Point, Vancouver island, and is a total wreck. She is supposed to be a grain vessel for Portland,

Pilot Medium, the celebrated stallion own-ed by Waiter Clark, of Battle Crossk, Mich. and valued at \$100,000 died suddenly of in-flammation of the bowels.

A bill has been introduced in the Virginia Senate to give to the Railroad Commissioner power to fix rates for railroad, canal, press and telegraph compannies.

It is found that John Bartley, of the firm of Bartley, Johnson & Co., of Louisville, Ky., which failed Thursday, forged about \$125,000 of whisky warehouse receipts.

The shareholders in the Bank Du Peuple of Montreal have decided to go into volum-tary liquidation, \$400,000 has to be met at once and \$4,000,000 of deposits in two years.

General Baratiori, in command of the Italian forces in Abyssinia, telegraphs to the government that the Italians have repuised several fresh attacks by the Shoans on Ma-kaleh, the losses being slight.

George Carson and Sidney Yennie, two notorious burglars, who committed many great and daring robberies, are under arrest in New York for the robbery of the postoffice at Patchoque, L. L. on Jan. 1, 1894.

Ex-President Antonio Ezeta, of Salvador, is off the coast of that country with a fill-bustering expedition. He is attempting to make a landing either at La Libertad or Vaciala. Acajula.

Portugal, it is announced, will remain neutral in the dispute between Great Britain and Germany regarding the Transvaal, and will not permit the Germans or the British to and troops at Delagoa bay, or to traverse the Portuguese territory in South Africa.

The Cuban insurgents are now capturing Like Cuban insurgents are now capturing important towns and getting a great deal of wealth through plundering them. There are nany sympathizers with the cause in Havana who are ready to start fires in the eity and do ther things to help the patriots in case an ittee k in made attack is made.

The crew of the first-class Russian stee cruiser, Rurik, 10,923 tons, mutinied while that vessel was in the harbor of Algiers. The mutiny was suppressed by the French auth-orities, and 50 of the leaders of the outbreak are now said to be on their way to Cronstadt where they are to be executed.

NOT A BRIGHT START.

Clouds of Business Uncertainty Hover Over the New Year.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review says The new year begins with such uncertainty that business is somewhat retarded. Th

that business is somewhat retarded. The proposed sale of bonds offers ground for con-fidence in the future, but no one is able to determine what its earliest effects may be in the money market, and for the time it is the cause of hesitation more than hopefulness. Speculation in products has not been act-ive. Cotton is unchanged. Wheat is about 1c higher and corn the same, without dot not reason in either case, for the Government re-port, tardily conforming to commercial esti-mates of some months ago, did not command great confidence. The industrial situation has not materially changed. There is much hesitation in the

The industrial situation has not materially changed. There is much hesitation in the iron business, with some advance in Bessemer pig, because of the expectation that Connells-ville coke and lake ore will both be dearer, and yet finished products of Iron and steel are on the whole quoted a little lower, and the Nail Association is still in session to de-termine whether it will abandon the effort to maintain a fixed price. That branch of busi-ness is extremely slow. Nothing is doing in rails, and while there is a rather better de-mand for sheets and plates, and several good orders are reported for structural work, angles are quoted a shade lower.

KEYSTONE STATE NEWS GONDENSFD. LATEST NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

ANOTHER PULLMAN.

Near Philadelphia.

An option on a 30-nere tract on the Penn-sylvania railroad and the Delaware river

front below Bridesburg, in Philadelphia, has

soon recursid by representatives of the St.

Louis and American car companies, builders

E. J. Coulter, residing at Brenburn, West-

Le 3. Collice, residing at Breathern, west-moreland county, was perhaps fatally injured by the explosion of a gun. He attemptet to shoot a steer, when the breach of his gun flew out, striking him on the head. It tore a hole in the side of his head large enough to expose the brain. He is in a critical condi-tion

Probably the deepest well ever drilled in McKean county is owned by Mike Miller, and is situated near Tuna. The hole is now 3,000 feet deep, and the well is still kept going down. At a depth of 3,250 feet a very consessing was encountered, which showed situate oil.

The injunction suit brought by the boards of health of Holidaysburg and Gaysport, and citizons of Allegheny and Blair townships, to stop the city of Alkoona from depositing its sewage in the Juniata river was heard before Judge Baker, at Holidaysburg.

Oil City capitalists are perfecting plans for the organization of a new telephone company to connect Oil City, Franklin and Timsville, The new company is the result of artilitrary rules recently enforced by the Central Dis-tict Company.

Titusville and fieldord producers have bought for \$51,000 the Bridgewater Gas company's production in the Turkeytoot field, consisting of leases on 14,000 acres and 29 wells producing 72 barrels daily.

Is Westmoreland county during 1895, there were 5,009 births, and 1,096 deaths. At Avonmore there were seven births and not a death, and in the Second ward of New Ken-sington, 18 births and no deaths.

An open switch at Meadville, caused the Eric vestibuled express to run into a freight engine. Both engines were wrecked, and one engineer and several passengers slightly injured.

While skating on the Shenango river at Wahonington, a ten-year-old son of Fireman William Roucher, of the Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago railroad, was drowned.

Two highwaymen at Oliver, Fayette coun-ty, robbed a workingman and then stripped him of his clothing. The poor fellow was nearly frozen when he reached home.

Miss Meil Kiefer, of Pittsburg, broke through the ice while skating near Biairsville, and was rescued when nearly drowned by Merch Alter and Tom Layton.

Judge Miller has ordered proprietors of hotels and asloons and their subordinates to be present at the Mercer court January 20, license application day.

Joseph Orris, a Hungarian, killed his in tended, Bubak Ferris, because she refused to marry him. The tragedy took place at Four Mile Run near Fittsburg.

The ten-months-old child of Mrs. Joseph H. Cary, of Leisenring, Fayette county, died from a dose of poison given by its mother in mistake for medicine.

William Johnson of Rostraver township,

Westmoreland county, was thrown from a buggy by a runaway horse and bisskull frac-tured.

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SMASHED THE PLATE.

First Failure of Carnegie Harveyized Armor Plate to Stand the Test.

No test of a Carnegie armor plate ever made at Indian Head was attended with such bad results as the test of an 8-inch plate for the rifle turrets of the cruiser Brooklyn, which took place at the proving grounds Tuesday. Louis and American car companies, builders of fine street cars, both of St. Louia. They contemplate combining and removing here to build great works and employ 1,200 men, for whom they will build dwelling houses ad-joining the factories. If their project is car-fied out the Peckham motor, truck and wheel company of Kinsston, N. Y., will also probably remove to Philadelphia and locate near the car works. River and occans hilp-ping facilities will facilitate the foreign trade in this industry. in this industry. The Westinghouse Airbrake company has decided to build a plant in Canada to manu-facture airbrakes to supply the demand for brakes and couplers for the Canadian rali-ways. The site for the plant has not been selected, nor have the plants for the building been completed. The building of a factory in Canada is being done at the request of the Canadian raliway companies, who have to pay a tariff on all brakes imported from other countries. All freight cars in Canada will be supplied with airbrakes of the West-inghouse type. E. J. Confirm residing at Basabasa West-

rifle turrets of the cruiser Brooklyn, which took place at the proving grounds Tuesday. The plate represented a group of armor weighing 415 tons, part of it being the barber of the brooklyn. An 8-inch plate was used as a representative of the end of the brooklyn. An 8-inch plate was used as a representative of the end of the plate was used as a representative of the end of the brooklyn. An 8-inch plate was used in the tritle of the group. The plate tested contained two port holes, out of which the rifles of the end of the brooklyn. An 8-inch plate was used in the tritle of the group. The plate tested contained two port holes, out of which the rifles of the group. The plate was used in the test, fitting a 100-pound Wheeling-Steriling shell, with 40 pounds of powder, and a strilling vectory of 1.680 fest per second. The shell struck the plate 13 inches from the top and 25 inches from the left end. The fragments, the right end spraped was broke in four fragments, the right end spraped was broke out, trinangular in shape. From the point of impact to the left end a fragment was also broken off, which broke in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in two pleces. There was no front or back in the projectile was welded into the face of the shell being only two inches. The head of the projectile was welded that the plate was welded into the face of the point of impact to the face that an examination of the wreek, decided that the plate was the point of the wreek, decided that the plate was the plate was to the fact that the plate was to be inter an examination of the wreek, decided that the plate was the plate was to be fact that the plate was the

flaws, This is the first instance in which a This is the first instance in two years, an Car This is the first instance in which a Car-negic plate has failed in two years, and the jirst failare of a Harveyized plate. The re-sult of this test will not cause the rejection of the group of armor, of which the smashed plate was a representative. The Carnogic company has the right to submit another juste from the group for testing, before the department rejects the entire lot of armor.

OFFERS CONGRATULATIONS.

Resolutions in the Senate Concerning the

Transvaal Matter. Senator Morgan, the former chairman of the Committee on Foreign Belations, offered offered the following resolution in the Sen-

tions Committee: "Resolved, That the people of the United States, through their representatives in Con-gress assemiled, convey to the president and the people of the Republic of Transvaai their carnest congratulations upon their suc-cess in establishing free representative gov-ernment, republican in form, and in their op-position to any foreign power that denies to them the full enjoyment of their rightful lib-erties. The people of America, having real-ized through the favor of the God of na-tions the blessings of government based upon the consent of the government will be so-curely established through the influence of the republics of Liberia and the Transvaal, funded by the people of Africa, and that those republics will foster and give firm sup-port to. the penceful progress of Christian it and the nations of the earth through-using great continent. — "Meter states is requested to communicate this action of Congress to the president of the the transvaal republic."

WANT STATEHOOD.

the Union. The three territorial delegates, Messrs Flynn, of Oklahoma; Murphy, of Arizona, and Catron, of New Mexico, are waging a and Catron, of New Mexico, are waging a very vigorous campaign in Congress to se-cure favorable action upon their bills for the admission of the respective territories repre-sented by them to statehood. Each delegate considers the achievement of statehood the chief mission of his congressional cayer, and their energies are bent upon securing it. They are anxious to have the bills before the Territories Committee remorted to the

CONGRESSIONAL. Summary of the Most Important Measures

Presented in Both Houses. TWENTY-TRIRD DAY.

TWENTI-THIRD DAY. Among the bills and resolutions introduced in the House today were the following: By Mr. Tracey, of Missouri, a joint resolu-tion giving Congress power to levy a gradu-ated laberitance tax on all inheritances and cetates whose value exceeds \$100,000. By Mr. C. W. Stone, of Pennsylvania, a bill repealing the section of the Wilson tariff haw relating to the use of alcohol in arts. By Mr. Towne, of Minnesota, a bill to pro-vide for the establishment of branch hydro-graphic offices at Duluth, Sault Ste. Marie and Buffalo.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAT.

TWENTY-FOURTH DAT. Mr. Spaulding, of Michigan, today intro-duced a resolution in the House, looking to the admission of the Hawaiian people and the ap-provai by this government of the constitution which they may form. It is further provid-ed that if the Fresident of the United States shall deem it advisable to submit this propo-sition to the Hawaiian government, a States of Hawai, with one representative in Con-private of this act as soon as the terms and point of such admission shall be agreed united States, and that \$100,000 be appropri-ted to defray the expenses of missions and negotiations either by treaty or articles as the President my direct. TWENT FIFTH DAT.

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the President may direct. TWENTY FIFTH DAT. In the bouse Mr. Livingston asked unani-mous consent for the consideration of the following concurrent resolution: That the president of the United States is hereby re-quested to forthwith ascertain whother Great for the united States is hereby re-quested to forthwith ascertain whother Great for the united States is hereby re-president of the United States is hereby re-quested to forthwith ascertain whother Great for the united States is hereby re-ducted to forthwith ascertain whother Great for the the states is hereby re-president become cognizant of the fast that a British military or police force is ad-vancing to invale or reinforce, or since posts formerly occupied within said dispatted territory, he demand the immediate with durated or set inforce on a number outposts on the aforesaid Decumber 17, 1990. Mr. Battelle objected and the resolution for the police force the said territory to a number outposts on the aforesaid Decumber 17, 1990. Mr. Battelle objected and the resolution for the police force the said territory to a number outposts on the aforesaid Decumber 17, 1990. Mr. Battelle objected and the resolution for the police force the said territory to a number of the police force on the supreme count of the police force on the supreme count of the police force on the supreme count of the police of the fadiciary com-net the committee on force affine. The supremention for coast defenses, Mr. Paniel opublic apprehensions as to the danger of the public apprehens

TWENTY-FIFTH DAY.

TWENTY-FIFTH DAT. Senate—During the morning hours, on motion of Mr. Voorhees (Dem., Ind.), s resolution was adopted appropriating \$250 for the purchase of a portrait of the late Allen G. Thurman. Mr. Pritchard (Rep., N. C.), called up the amendment he offered to the revenue bill to increase the duties on certain kinds of clays, marble, iron ore, tim-ber, live stock, cercais, fruits wool and coal. for the purpose of addressing the senate thereon. He favored the re-enactment of the McKinley law and the free coinnge of silver. Mr. White (Dem., Cal.), consumed the remainder of the time before the expira-tion of the morning hour with a speech in favor of some practical modifications of the senate rules. House—The house gave its time to discus-

senate rules. Horsz—The house gave its time to discus-sion of the proposed amendments of the rules of the Fifty-first congress, which were provisionally adopted early in the session to govern this house. Mr. DeArmond (Dem., Mo.) offered an amendment providing for de-duction from members' pay for absences not due to sickness, or sickness in the family. W. A. Stone (Rep., Pa.) assured him that the only effect of the enforcement of the rule in the last house had been to increase the sick list.

Another surprise was brought into the de Another surprise was brought into the de-bate by Mr. Hepburn (Rep., Ia.), who imade a speech against the usual rule putting in the hands of the speaker discretion of recogniz-ing members to speak. Mr. Hepburn would make it the speaker's duty to recognize the member who first addressed him. After some debate he withdrew his objection. In the morning hour Mr. Tawney (Rep., Minn., offered a resolution based on charges that the medical division of the pension bureau fails to properly regard the reports and findings in pension claims made by various boards of the United States examin-ing surgeons, and asking for reports. The

ing surgeons, and asking for reports-resolution went over. Th

A CASE OF REAL WAR HORSE.

WOULD BE NO CONSCRIPT.

How a Patriotic Horse Put to Flight a Band of Rebels.

Probably no incident during the war of the rebellion which was a result of the existance of war, was more interesting than one occurring in the village of Lisburn, Pa., on the Sunday preceding the battle of Gettysburg.

As the Army of Northern Virginia advanc-do fits march to irretrievable defeat at Gettyaburg nearly all horses, eatthe, and in-deed stock of all kinds in Southern Pennsyl-vania were driven off by the owners and hid-den among the mountains to prevent them inling into robel hands. A former named Michael Hart, who fived near Lisbairn, and sent away all his horses (arge, healthy and well trained to work wherever hitched. On the Sunday named the horse was as usual in his stall, not dreaming that which in a few hours he was to become the most famous and popular animal premises were invaded by a party of six or premises were invaded by a party of six or two of them dismonated and without any verse. In order to protect his horses from annov-

revenue of the stable and led out the bore. In order to protect his horses from annoy-mee by files, Mr. Hart had his stable dark-ened, so that the horse could learn nothing about the character of his visitors from their dress, but ou reaching the yard and seeing that the men in charge of him and others near were armed, dressed in grey, and that he flag they carried was not the ous he was acoustomed to seeing, the noble animal seem-ed to appreciate the atuntion at once, and began to exhibit annistakable evidence that he was strengtly in favor of the supprecision of the rebellion. He made vigorous war among the Johanies then and there. He at-tacked the two dismounted men, who fiel for sea and mounted. The Unionis horse, under the tribule to behold. The wholly unexpected and unprecedented while rebel force, using hoofs and teeth in a way and rage that characterized it, threw the gray-costs into such a paule that the years of the frage that characterized it, threw the going to the hards here armed. The wholl and the suddenness, together with the en-ed to they into such a paule that the years of the frage that observe armed. The whole are here here armed, here are and the years of the forget that they were armed. The whole and they have a the a body at a wild pain and the here armong them, eyes fashing, ears thrown back, nestrik distend-ed, screaning with rare and using toeth and usots. The chase was witnessed by the people of

good. The chase was witnessed by the people of the town from the sidewalks, who did not fail to encourage the beast with ringing

fail to encourage the beast with ringing cheers. At the distance of about a quarter of a mile-from the starting point the infuriated animal seized one of the horsemen with his jaws by the the thigh, and, retaining his hold, ap-peared to endeavor to drag him from his horse, succeeding in which effort there would have been one less living rebel on Pannsyl-vania soil.

vania soil. The gray-coat realized the danger to the extent that he thought of his revelow. He drew it, and aiming at the horse's head fired. The builet imbedded itself in his neck, in-flicting a painful but not necessarily fatal wound. The old fellow released his hold upon his memy, who was seriously hurt, and turning, walked back to his stail quietly, but with an air and manner which seemed to say: "I'm for the Union, hoofs teeth, head and limbs." limbs

The hero of this episode continued to work The hero of this episode continued to work as asual, but died during the next summer. The buillet was not extracted from his neck, it was generally supposed that his death was caused by the wound he received. Rev. Dr. Taimage, in writing of his father's old family carriage horse, says: "If there be a better world than this to which good horses go after death, old Billy has certainly gone there," and most assuredly this patriotic old fellow has for long years been a companion of the animal whose good conduct the great divine loves to remember.—M. M. Horton, New Cumberland. Pa.

WILD FLOWER WRECKED.

The Steamer Which Saved the Ems is Reported Lost.

The well-known British tank steamer Wild Flower, Capt. Stonewall, which sailed from Philadelphia December 11, for Rouen, France, Philadelphia December 11, for Rouen, France, with 1, 173,626 gallons of crude oli in bulk, valued at \$56,655, and manned by a crew of 30 men all told, is believed to have blown up or foundered at sea and all hands perished, no tidings having been received from the ship since she left the Delaware broakwater that day. She probably met with disaster when not far from the senshore by the mem-orable gale of December 14, which is though to have sent to the bottom the Star II steamship Lauresting, which left the san day bound to Silgo, Ireland, laden with grain. day bound to Silgo, Ireland, laden water grain. The Wild Flower was among the first tank-ers built and was made famous over both continents by the services she rendered tho North German Lloyds steamship Ems sever-al years ago. She fell in with the Ems with her machinery broken down, laden with over 1,500 immigrants and a valuable cargo and towed her into Fayai, for which she received a handsome salvage reward. The traft was at that time in command of Captain Living-stone. stone.

ate, and it was referred to the Foreign Relations Committee: "Resolved, That the people of the United

Three Applicants Yet For Admission to

It was a mo ution, in which the main population did not

wition, in which the main population did not one.
Bit Hercules Robinson, governor of the Cape Colony, is now at Pretoria. Immedi-tely after Great Britain offered assistance to the Boers the stores were closed, trade be-came stagnant and women and children be-gan leaving for the coast he coal, cattle and hole. The scene at the railway station was indescribable. The town is periectly orderly.
A dispatch from Johannesburg, dated Jan-mry 1, says that a deputation sent to Pre-toria had concluded a three days armistics Robinson, who was expected in Pretoria on January 4. In the meantime the national union of Ultilanders control the tow.
A proclamation issued by Governor Rob-subject, who, the proclamation declares, publics in the Transvaal against johing Dr. Janseson, who, the proclamation of the ter-tiony of a friendly State.

Germans Keeping Cool. It cannot be said that the incessant Jingo-ism of the British press and the hostile dem-onstrations in England against the kaiser nave produced an equally warlike spirit in Germany. On the contrary, a conservative and dignified attitude has been assumed in this instance by the German newspapers and puble. Nevertheless a big demonstration is anticipated in the Reichstag before the end of the week, as it is said that Chancellor Von Hohenlohe will interpellate the kaiser's po-sition in the Transvaal trouble in no uncer-tain tone.

STORIES OF KHARPOOT MASSACRE.

An American Citizen One of the Fourteen Thousand Slain.

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manam L. Smart. s 17-year-old negro, murdered a peddled near Monroe, La., ymched. He confessed.

Everything turns on the ontracts for ore Everything turns on the contracts for ore, which are still unsettled, but the great ex-cess in production of pig iron over the pres-ent demand is no longer denied, and it is ex-pected that quite a number of the furnaces will discontinue production. Lower prices for Alabama iron renew competition with eastern formaces.

with discontinue production. Lower prices for Alabama from renew competition with eastern furnaces. Sales of wool are large. The opening of woolen goods shows a further tendency to-ward lower prices, in spite of the prevalent belief that higher prices would be realized before long if the revenue bill which passed the House should become a law. The cot-ton mills are generally running, though not at all with full force, and some are pling ap goods without regard to the immediate de-mand, which is comparatively slack, as they apparently believe that the short supply of cotton this year will insure them profits in the end, as it has during the past half year. Failures for the week have been 431 in the United States, against 420 last year, and 53 in Canada, against 54 last year.

NEW TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

Russia Will Back Germany, While France Will Ast With Russia.

A special dispatch from Berlin says that Russia's co-operation with Germany in the Transvaal matter has been assured, and that France will act with Russia

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Two Negroes Lynched. The trial of Frank Simpson and Harrison Kine, Pomeroy, a wildow, and her 16-year-old daughter last August, was to have occurred in Lexington, Tean., January 8. The two negroes were brought in on the noon train from Nahville, where the sheriff had placed mob of 400 or 600 met, who took the negroes and hanged them to a railroad treatle about mile from town.

The large coal breaker of Simpson & Wat-kins at their Mt. Lookont Colliery, was des-troyed by fire. Loss, \$96,000.

A charter has been issued for the W. H, Barnahan flouring mill company of Apollo, with a capital of \$30,000.

Herbert, the 5-year-old son of William Den-nis, of near Dunbar, was burned to death at an open grate fire,

A telegraph office has been opened at Coal Valley, on the Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania.

The Conlins brick yards at Monongahela, were burned. Loss, \$2,000, with no insur-

W. H. Robinson was killed by an electric car in Allegheny Wednesday night.

FOR BETTER ROADS.

Measure For Creation of a Commission to Investigate.

Representative C. W. Stone, of Pennsyl vania, introduced a bill for the creation of a special commission on highways. The com-

special commission on highways. The com-mission is to consist of one member of the Senate, appointed by the Senate; two mem-bers of the House, to be appointed by the Speaker, the chief engineer of the army, the director of geological survey and the chief of the division of road inquiry in the Agricul-tural Department. The commission is to make investigation and inquiry and report by bill or otherwise the method by which the government may high highways. It is to consider the best method for the scientific location of high-ways. The geological survey is to be em-ployed in the discovery of road material and shall also provide for the construction of neg-ment stations and at military academise. The commission is to confor with the Inter-State Commerce Commission and the leading milroad officials of the country concerning and the intervises of the commission.

Shot Down By a Mob. Patrick Morris, a white railroad hand, and his colored wife unet with a terrible fate at and Pacifie, a fow miles above the city of here the Westwey what of the Toxus and Pacifie, a fow miles above the city of New Orienns, on the opposite side of the rootor, as well as the charge that they kept a disorderity place for negroes, there has been a growing sentiment against them. They were sitting up in their boat, when a body of they sought refuge on shore, and as soon as they made their appearance they were rid-diod with builtots. The woman was tilled outgight, but the man fell crippled and the two were burned to ashes with the boat. The stemmer Oxford was wrecked near

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They are anxious to have the bills before the Territories Committee reported to the House and disposed of in some way, and hav-ing made a canvass of the committee, be-leve that more than two-thirds of its mem-bers will vote for favorable reports. The bills for the admission of Arizona and New Mexico before this Congress are en-abling acts modeled upon the act by which Utah was elevated to statehood, with certain modifications demanded by local conditions. Arizona's bill, which was debated by the last House, stipulated for immediate statehood on a constitution which had already been formed by the people, but there was doubt Soncerning the legal standing of the conven-tion. Mr. Flyan's new Oklahoma bill differs from the former one in giving authority to Congress to attain any or all of the Indian Ferritory to Oklahoma when the lands have been allotted and made subject to taxation.

CAPITAL NOTES.

The Senate adopted the house resolution ppointing Postmaster-General Wilson a re-

nt of the Smithsonian Institute The President has nominated Third-Lieu-tenant William H. O. Hay, of Pennsylvania, to be second lieutenant in the revenue cutter service.

A cablegram announcing the capture of Portuguese troops of King Gungunhama and his son, Guidide, was received at the Porta-guese embasy at Washington, Jan. 7. This means the termination of the war in Mozam-done, organization by the result of the build bique, occasioned by the revolt of the king with 30,000 natives.

HORRORS OF THE SEA.

Portion of a Shipwrecked Crew Rescued Nine Having Died.

A boat containing part of the wrecked steamer Ealing's crow reached Cansor on the 10th. The men are in a dying condition.

19th. The men are in a dying condition. They were four days in an open boat expos-of to the gale and uitter cold weather. There are nine of them, including First Offleer homas Thomas. One man could walk when the boat landed, the rest being carried to neighboring houses and cared for. The men state the Ealing struck a rock mout 6 p. m. Monday. Half an hour after-ward it was necessary to take to the boats. They were driven 50 miles to sea. Soon after daylight on Tuesday two of the men died of the exposure. During Tuesday night Cap-tan More and a fireman named Wilson died. Saturday morning the first engineer died, and later in the day three others expired. Friday at noon, as they caught sight of the sea sthey died, to keep the beavily leed boat from sinking.

The Kentucky Legislature. Both houses of the general assembly were organized Tuesday, the Republicans electing full line of officers in the house and the Democrats doing likewise in the sonate. Charles Bianford, of Breokenridge, was elected speaker of the house. The Populists voted with the Republicans

PLUNGE OF TROLLEY TRAIN.

Two Men Were Killed and Another May Die.

The Akron, Bedford & Cleveland Interurban Railway company's bridge which spanned Tinkers creek, just southeast of Bedford township,collapsed Thursday morn-ing and a 10-horse power motor on which were three trainmen and attached to which was a heavily-laden Pennsylvania Company coal car plunged to the bed of the creek 60 feet below.

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FULL OF ACTITITY.

Two Large Ships Will Reinforce England' Pacific Fleet.

In Victoria, B. C., the greatest activity shown by the naval authorities. More of-ficial dispatches than usual have been going

ficial dispatches than usual have been going between Admiral Stephenson and the admir-alty office in London. It is stated that two large ships will come out to join the Pacific fleet besides the one which is intended to re-lieve the Royal Arthur. Work on her majesty's ship Satellite, now in the Esquimait dock, is being rushed night and day. The Satellite met with an accident in the South Pacific and when she arrived it was annouced that she would be in the dock for six weeks. All this has been changed and the men at work on her say that she will be ready for service in a few days.

Rothchilds Cornering Goid

Rothenids Cornering Gold. The Kansas City Journal revives the recent stories of attempts being made to corner the ontput of western gold mines, and asserts that through business transactions of the Weils-Fargo company, it has developed that agents of the Bothchilds have secured con-tracts with the mine owners of Crippie Creek under which most of the gold taken from the mines there during the coming year will go into the coffers of the bankers.

Mrs. Lamoire and her daughter Annie rere burned to death in their rooms at Lynn, lass. The father and son were badly burn-

OVER 1,000 KILLED.

Two Earthquakes Destroy Many Villages in Persia.

Two earthquakes have occurred in the district of Khulksal. The first was on the

district of Khalksal. The first was on the night of January 2, when the large village of Janjabed was destroyed, several others were partially destroyed and 300 persons were killed. The second earthquake occurred on the morning of January 5, and was very severe. It was feit over an area of 100 miles. The town of Goi was destroyed and a thousand houses destroyed. In addition, great dam-age was done to many villages. The loss of life was very great. There were 800 persons killed in Goi alone, and a large number of cattle and abeep periabed.

ALL ON BOARD PERISHED.

Wreck of an Unknown Steamer, on the Nova Scotian Coast.

Monday night persons at Drumbead, a small fishing village 100 miles east of Halifax observed rockets being thrown up to sen observed roccets seing thrown up to sea-ward, and after continuing at intervals for about an hour, the signals ceased. At day-light the forepart of a large steamer could be seen from the shore isctween the snow squalis. The lib-fated vessel had two fun-nels. The rough weather provented boats going to her. There is not the least doubt that all on board perished.

Will Build in the Woods

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