THE DESERET EVENING NEWS.

FIFTIETH YEAR.

HEAVY FIRING and will inform the Filipino congress through us, its representatives in this country, the Filipinos will lay down their arms and the war will be ended within the next month or two within the next month or two. the army, are not satisfied with Aguin-aldo, and it was through their efforts **AT STORMBERG**

It is Expected that General Gatacre is Endeavoring to Reopen Communication with the Indwe Collieries.

Boers Have Mounted Another Howitzer Near Ladysmith-Garrison is Capable of Holding Out Almost Indefinitely-Schalkberger Makes Report-A Sample of Boer Lawmaking -Men of Army Enthusiastic Over Coming of Roberts-They Anticipate Everything from His Presence, from Victory to Caperbeer-Matt Steyn, Brother of President of Orange Free State, Refuses to Continue War.

Capetown, Tuesday, Dec. 28 .- A dis- | of Generals Roberts and Kitchener. The patch from Cradock report heavy firing in the direction of Stormberg. It is supposed this is connected with Gen. Gatacre's attempt to reopen communication with the Indwe collieries,

London Says No Change.

London, Dec. 29 .- A dispatch received by the war office, dated Capetown, Thursday, December 28th, says there is no change in the situation so far as Gens. Gatacre and French are concerned.

They Avoid Assault.

Pietermaritzburg, Wednesday, Dec. 27.-A dispatch from Ladysmith, dated December 22nd, says: The Boers have mounted another howitzer on Surprise hill replacing the gun captured in the sortie of the rifle brigade. While they watch us nightly with a searchlight and bombard the place daily they show no signs of assaulting the town. They probably think they can starve us out, but we have plenty of provisions. The total casualties since the siege began are seventy men killed and 276 wound-

Schalkberger Reports.

Pretoria, Monday, Dec. 25.-Gen. Schalkberger reports under date of

that the Filipino congress, without con-sulting Aguinaldo, decided on terms and sent us here to lay them before your President. Much of the success of the army of the Filipinos was won because there was harmony, but since Aguin-aldo ordered one of his best and most loved generals killed, the army has not been satisfied with Aguinaldo. been satisfied with Aguinaldo. "When I left Hong Kong Aguinaldo was in a smail town fourteen miles north of Manila, and the reports that he is constantly running away are not so. The army has little or no trouble to get ammunition and I can name at least two countries that will supply the Filipino congress with arms so long as the war continues." A Chauce for Genius. Chicago, Dec. 29 .- Commissioner General Fred W. Peck received from the Paris exposition officials today the final regulations governing the competition for the Anthony Pollock memorial prize of 100,000 francs for the best life saving device in disasters at sea. Mr. Pollock, a prominent patent attorney of Washing-ton, with his wife, perished in the sink-ing of the French liner La Bourbogne off Sable island on July 4, 1898. His heirs and friends founded the prize to

his memory. The competition is to be open to the world, and will be judged by an inter-national jury. The jury selected in be-half of this country is Lieut, W. S. Sims, naval attache of the embassy of the United States at Paris.

"Many of the natives and particularly

The regulations state the services may be exhibited, but that working models or drawings to reduced scale will also be accepted. The jury may require trials and tests, all expenses of which shall be borne by presence of "Bobs" from success in

the exhibitors. Wants to be Senator.

New York, Dec. 29 .- Joseph F. Johnston, governor of Alabama, and candidate to succeed Mr. Morgan as Senator, is now in this city.

The governor, discussing his candidacy, said last night:

current emanating from Boer sources that Matt Steyn, brother of the presi-"I am standing squarely upon the Chicago platform. The Democrats of and 800 Free Staters have definitely refused my State believe in free silver and

Bryan. Before my campaign opened Senator Morgan tried to create new issues and to evade supporting free silver president that he was only authorized to intervene in the interest of peace, and that the burghers did not feel that and Bryan. His stand cost him many votes, and when he took the stump there he soon found out how the people stood. Our people are opposed to imperialism and trusts, but in the next campaign the issues of 1896 will be the main issues. I am confident that I shall be elected."

To Rival France.

Chicago, Dec. 29 .- The Post says today: Within a few months there will

SOGGOGGGGGGGGGG NOTICE.

TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1899, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

The Christmas "News" consists of 40 pages, 5 sections, not including the cover. With the cover 44 pages. Purchasers should see that they are furnished with all the parts The postage on the Christmas "News" will be 4 cents domestic, 7

cents foreign. Price 10 cents-bound in magazine form, 15 cents.

AMERICANS TAKE **BIG STRONCHOLD**

Place Formerly Considered Impregnable Taken by Boys in Blue.

MANY PRISONERS CAPTURED

As Well as a Large Quantity of Arms and Ammunition-Lieut. Taylor Killed by a Train.

Washington, Dec. 29.-The adjutant general received a cable message from Gen. Otis this morning telling of the capture of a mountain stronghold beyond Mont Alban, northeast of San Mateo, formerly supposed to be impregnable and the capture of many prisoners and a large quantity of arms and ammunition. The dispatch is as follows:

"Manila, Dec. 29, 1899 .-- Adjutant general, war department, Washington: Col. Lockett, with regiment, two battalions Forty-sixth (Col. Schuyler), Forty-fifth (Col. Dorst.) and company Twenty-seventh infantry, two guns, apt. van Deusen, attacked enemy 60 strong on mountain stronghold beyond Mont Alban, northeast San Mateo. Large number killed and wounded, twenty-four taken prisoners. Locket captured one cannon. forty rifles, 20.00 rounds of ammunition, 500 pounds of powder, arsenel fortifications, all food supplies, and considerable other prop erty. This captured point located on mountain trail, and formerly supposed to be impregnable. Our casualties: Lieut. Enslow, Eleventh cavalry and five enlisted men wounded, mostly slight. Private Matson, Forty-fifth infantry, drowned. Gen. Otis, at Manila, today cabled the war department that First Lieut. Edward R. Tavlor, Twelfth infantry, was run over by a train crossing the Agno river near Bautista on the 26th inst. and died in a few hours.

currency, made a speech which aroused the greatest enthusiasm, and was regarded by many as outlining the policy of the administration on two points, the Philippines policy and the attitude of the Republican party toward trusts. After comparing the conditions pre-valling in 1896 when the Republican party came into power, with the pres-ent, Mr. Dawes claimed that as the party had proved itself able to cope with adverse conditions, it would be able to continue in prosperity. Speaking of trusts Mr. Dawes said it was the duty of the Republican party to take hold of the subject energetically and without wavering. It was its duty to conserve public interests. Wherever trusts proved themselves inimical to the public weal, they must be restrained and controlled, and if necessary laws must be passed that would so much encourage active competition as to bring about the disintegration of the trusts. Mr. Dawes did not claim all trusts were in restraint of trade, but those that proved to be such should be legislated against. "Rather than have in the hands of

any corporation the power to absolutely fix the price of a necessity of life at an arbitrary figure, the people of the United States will eventually and rightfully do one of two things," said Mr. Dawes "They will enact legislation for the actual protection of the people from extor. tion by governmental regulation more or less extended as public necessities may require or they will enact legisla. tion for the enforced creation of a com. petition by the disintegration of trusts. With nothing less than one of these two things will or should the people of this

country be satisfied, "The question of the proper legisla-tive treatment of these great combinations, formed for the purpose of mono-polistic control of production, and the distribution of some of the necessities and comforts of life is one of the great. est and most practical which confronts the political parties of the nation and our party must take the first steps in its solution

Mr. Dawes spoke at some length on the Philippine question, asserting that tained for a song have flitted through encouragement received from anti-imthe minds of Salt Lakers. The repreperialists had much to do with the prosentatives of the two companies here, ongation of the war. He said that as and in fact life insurance men gener-President McKinley had refused to be hurried by the clamor of jingoes before the Spanish war, so now would he really tried to make light of the alleged difficulty this morning, and discouraged fuse to be turned from his course in the idea that a rate war was probable regard to the Philippines by the soor even possible. But they received so called antl-imperialists. many calls from parties interested who

Terribie Accident.

New York, Dec. 29 .- Alfred Morrison, a professor of languages, mistook his wife for a burglar during the night and shot her at their home in Mount Ver-non, New York. Mrs. Morrison ex-onerates her husband from all blame. He is almost insane from grief. Mrs. Morrison may die.

Gave Himself Up.

the big companies make a move in-New York, Dec. 29 .- Lewis E. Golddicating war, the word will at once be smith, assistant cashier of the Port Jer-vis National Bank, of Port Jervis, N. passed and the contest will be waged who is alleged to have robbed that as bitterly in one field as another. institution of \$54,000 on Nov. 14, last and also to have falsified the bank's books, today surrendered himself. Goldsmith

THREATENED LIFE **INSURANCE WAR**

NUMBER 34.

How it is Viewed by the Salt Lake Representatives of the Big Companies.

Manager Wood, of the New York Life Branch, Says it Would b a Calamity-Would Increase the Expenses and Decrease the Earnings, Thereby Affecting Dividends-Question of Peace or War Will Probably be Determined Within Twenty-four Hours-Cause of the Present Difficulty-An Expression from Manager Nolan, of the Equitable-Manager Rulon S. Wells, of the Mutual, Says Such War Would Affect All.

tween the New York Life and the

Equitable, two of the biggest insurance

companies in the word, visions of

tumbling rates and policies to be ob-

wanted to know all about it that a

little information was finally given

At present the situation seems to be

this: There has been no cutting of

rates by any of the companies so far

in this field. But the trouble may break

out at any moment. Should either of

MANAGER WOODS.

been no change in rates here. He sin-

cerely hoped there would not be any war, for it would be in the nature of a calamity should it come. At this time

and the Equitable, and he had every

would not be disturbed in the least by

the rumors so far spread and all would | be well. If such a conclusion was not

Manager Woods of the local branch

out.

Since reading the Associated Press | reached, no one could forsee to what limits the war would reach. dispatches relative to the trouble be-The anti-rebate agreement between

all companies was abrogated recently through the withdrawal of the Equit-able. That left the companies free to make such a rebate on the premiums as they saw fit. Following this, the agreement between the New York Life and Equitable only, under which each was bound not to employ or undertake to employ any agent or employe of the other, was abrogated by the Equitable, which withdrew. We are now at liberty to engage any agent of the Equitable if we can get them.

"The indications at this time are," concluded Mr. Woods, "and I am in communication with New York-that these agreements between the companies will be renewed within twenty-four hours, and that will put a quietus on the war proposition. I say that war would be a calamity, because it would necessarily increase the expenses and decrease the earnings of the companies, which control millions upon millions of capital belonging to the policy holders."

MANAGER WELLS.

Rulon S. Wells, of the Mutual Life, was not aware of the actual commencement of hostilities in Salt Lake yet, but like every insurance man seen, would not be surprised at such an out-break at any time. While the trou-ble originated between the New York

December 23rd, that trains are now running to Colenso, indicating that the Boers have built a connection around Ladysmith.

Gen. Cronje reports from the Modder river, December 24th, that the Boers captured two British forts at Kuruman December 11th. It is rumored that Gen. Methuen's big naval gun has exploded.

HERE IS A SAMPLE.

The Transvaal government has promulgated a new gold tax law by which individuals and companies working their own mines are taxed thirty per cent of the output, while mines worked by the government will pay fifty per cent. Suspended mines will pay thirty per cent on their probable output, calculated on three months workings. Reducing works will pay thirty per cent The law is retroof their net profits. active to October 10th.

TROOPS ARE GLAD.

Eathusiasm Over Appointment of Gen-

erals Roberts and Kitchener. London, Dec. 29 .- Dispatches from all parts of South Africa emphasize the great en' usiasm among the troops and

public, occasioned by the appointments | again.

WAS INTENDED FOR BOERS | MORE FILIPINO UPSTARTS.

Shipper Admits that Much of Seized Cargoes | Representatives of the Alleged "Filipino Congress" to Treat With McKinley. was to Go to the Warriors.

York

Contraband Belonged to an English Company.

New York, Dec. 29 .- It now appears that the firm that had the largest shipments of flour consigned to Delagoa Bay on the three vessels of which the cargoes were recently seized by the British authorities, is an English concern-Arthur Mays & Co., of Bristol, which has a large branch office in this city. The firm had on board the three ships which were seized-the Maria, the Mashona and the Beatrice-about 26,-000 bags of flour consigned to Lourenzo Marques. The agent here will not say whether the flour was intended for ultimate shipment from Lourenzo Marques to the Transvaal, but he has not at present made any representations the state department as have most of the other firms which had goods seized. The manifests of the three vessels show that they carried the usual class of goods shipped to South African ports, although the proportion of flour much larger than usual. It is tacitly admitted by a number of one of the American firms whose goods have been seized that a large proportion was intended for the Boers. A member of one firm declared that there was a very large local trade

in Lourenzo Marques. The consignments to Delagoa Bay were all shipped at the consignee's risk and they cannot therefore claim damages from the American firms for nondelivery. The steamship owners are also protected from similar damage suits, as a clause in the shipping agreements provides that they are not responsible for "unforeseen events." spite of this, it is stated that a large proportion of the goods shipped to firms Lorenzo Marques was paid for before it left this country. The uncertainty in every direction consequent on the war made shipping concerns in America careful and most of them refused to transact business except on "cash before delivery" terms. The people in Delagoa Bay are, therefore, the real sufferers, particularly as that city is how full of refugees from the Trans-vaal and prices for everything have gone up.

pointed to command the infantry division of the city of London imperial regiment. The text of Col. Baden-Fowell's

announcement that the former will have supreme command, and that the

latter will be chief of staff has largely

dispelled the depression in Cape Colony

caused by the recent reverses, while the

soldiers anticipate everything from the

Advices from Capetown dated Dec. 24,

say an investigation shows that the re-

ported disaffection among the Dutch in the Victoria district has been over-drawn. The farmers, it is pointed out,

risk the loss of their farms by rising.

dent of the Orange Free State,

mostly land owners and will not

A dispatch from Lourenzo Marques

Matt Steyn, acting as spokesman of

the party, is reported to have told the

they were bound in his "unwarrantable conduct," especially as they ran the risk of confiscation of their property,

and they simply desired to be permitted

to farm in peace and proposed to im-mediately return to their farms.

Sir Charles Howard Vincent, member

of parliament for the central division

of Sheffield, and colonel of the Queen's

Westminster volunteers, has been ap-

dated Dec. 23, says a curious story is

battle to Caperbeer.

to continue the war.

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proclamation to the burghers beseiging Mafeking, the gist of which has al-ready been cabled, comes from Lourenzo Marques today. After asserting that the republics cannot hope for foreign intervention and pretending to relate the exact attitude of all the European powers, including Emperor William, who, the colonel said "fully sympathiz-es with England," Baden-Powell makes the extraordinary statement that the American government has warned the others of her intention to side with

England should any of them interfere. war office dispatch from Col. Baden-Powell dated Dec. 12, after an-nouncing that Lady Sarah Wilson had arrived safe and well at Mafeking adds that the bombardment and musketry fire continue daily on all sides and that the health and spirits of the garrison are very satisfactory.

The Line Opened.

London, Dec. 29 .- The war office has received the following dispatch: Capetown, Thursday, Dec. 28: Indwe colliery line is now working

volunteers: "Mrs. Collins was very ill from sea-sickness nearly the entire voyage, and

Largest Shipment of Flour Seized as | Threaten that the War will Continue If Terms are Not Agreed Upon - Must be Hard Pressed.

New York, Dec. 29 .- A special to the Journal and Advertiser from Philadelphia, says:

"If President McKinley will decide on anything like reasonable terms for the surrender of Aguinaldo and the Filipinos under him and will inform the Filipino congress through us, its representatives in this country, the Filipinos will lay down their arms within the next month or two, and the war will end."

Jessup Luigi T. de Fernandez, who claims to be one of three special representatives of Agoncilio and the Fillpino congress, made this statement as he was about to take the train for New

Fernandez, with two others-Lucio Lem Lejera and Juliet Franciscus Loez-were appointed at a meeting of the Filipino congress as special representatives to this country and if possible have a personal interview with Presi-dent McKinley.

Their mission is principally to ascertain from the President his views regarding the war in the Philippines, and if possible to learn from him if he is desirous of allowing Aguinaldo to surender on certain terms that they will offer.

While in Washington the three repre sentatives are to make a canvass of the members of the Senate and House of Representatives with the object of earning each member's attitude toward the administration and the Filipino war

The three representatives arrived in New York on Christmas eve on the Campania from Liverpool. After reaching New York Fernandez came to this city on a secret mission and expects now to join his two colleagues in New

What he was doing here he refused to say, but he declared that he would make it public at the proper time. emissaries expect to leave for Washington in time to be there for the reopening of Congress after the holidays, Fernandez did not hesitate to talk of the Philippines and the war and feeling among the natives. "The context in the Philippines

be established in Monrovia, Cal., the first perfume farm and perfume manu-

facturing plant operating on an extensive scale that has ever been established in this country. A party of New York and Chicago capitalists have been working on the scheme for several months. Thousands of acres of land have been bought in Southern Califor-Expert German and French chemists have already been engaged and early in the coming spring the plant, it is said, will be in full operation. A meeting of the promoters of the enter-prise will be held in New York in a week or two and final arrangement for the organization of a stock company completed. It is intended to incorporate under the laws of Illinols.

BLAMES THE QUARTERMASTER. Captain Pubus Tells About Conditions on Board the Tartar.

San Francisco, Dec. 29 .- Captain Pubus, of the transport Tartar, which returned here from Manila yesterday, makes the following statement conerning the charges of neglect of sick soldiers and the treatment of Mrs. Collins on the Tartar's previous voyage, when she brought home the Kansas

the doctor prescribed champagne. saw that she got that. As to any kindness being extended to her by other ladies on board, I have nothing to say. The stewardess never went near her. The officers of the Kansas regiment, it is true, refused to give up their staterooms to the sick woman. They claimed that it was the government's duty to send her home on one of the regular liners where the accommodations were

better. "As to the sick men in the hospital.] do not know much about them. know nothing of the conduct of military affairs in this regard, but I do know that there was a woeful lack of discipline. Quartermaster Van Voorhies, was to blame, for he did not know who was really on board. Men came to the ship at Manila and presented their tickets entitling them to transportation on the Tartar, and I suppose they had to be taken. I presume that the Twentieth Kansas regiment could take care

of itself, but there was no one in charge of the discharged soldiers. Dr. Hoffman, of the Twentleth, looked after the sick men among the discharged soldiers. The soldiers had their own cooks and stores and the only provision made for the sick were the regulation rations. All requisitions made on the ship for food were filled. I cannot tell whether the sick got the luxuries in-

tended for them. "The officers of the Kansas regiment made complaint at the saloon fare, but the complaints, to my mind, were pre-texts to avoid paying their subsistence. The majority of them objected to paying \$1.50 a day. I do not know that the hospital was in a filthy condition; it was untidy. There was no one to take care of it

"Steward Hawes said that requisitions had been made upon him for luxuries for the sick, and that he had prepared the food, giving the patients saloon fare for 50 cents a day, which meant a loss to the ship,

"I do not know that the sick men never got the dainties. I know that it was hard work getting food from the galley into the serving room of the saloon. The soldiers would steal cooked chickens and lick the waiters and the

cooks. They broke into the pantry time after time, and when they found noth-ing to eat would throw the crockery overboard.

Means Bread for Thousands.

Cincinnati, O., Dec. 29 .- A special from Hartford City, Ind., says: Tonight at midnight 44 window glass factories, rep. resenting 1,700 pots' capacity, of the American Window Glass company, go into operation. The plants have been idle since last June, and will furnish employment to 15,000 glass workers in this State.

Highbinder War in San Francisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 29 .- The Hip Sing and the Suey Sing Tongs, both Highbinder organizations, are openly at war in Chinatown. The first night hostillties resulted in one murder and an attempted killing. Hon Teong, a Chinese cook, who had been a mem ber of the Hip Sings, was shot and fataly wounded by a couple of Suey Sings, as he stood on the corner of Sacramento and Stockton streets early in the evening. He died at an early hour this morning. The police informed by the wounded man before his death that the men who did the murder are Chin Wing and Ny Ah Poy, both of whom escaped. The lat-ter is said to have killed another Chinese about a year ago. Soon after the shooting of Teong, a gambler belonging to the Hip Long society, was pursued by three armed members of the Suey Sing Tong, but succeeded in securing police protection.

Caught Monsieur.

Cincinnati, Dec. 29 .- Monsieur Pierot was arraigned before United States At. torney W. E. Bundy today on a charge of violating the laws of neutrality. M Pierot has been known as a recruiting officer here for the Boers for some time, and through him many men have been transported east. He claimed today that he was engaging these men for the hospital corps and not for enlistment Still he was advised by the United States district attorney that that he must stop engaging men even for the hospital corps or he would at once be arraigned for contempt of the United States court, that issued the or. der through Attorney Bundy.

Gone Up in Smoke.

Burlington, La., Dec. 29 .- The building and contents of the Biklen-Wisener wholesale grocery were destroyed by fire entailing a loss of \$150,000, with insurance of \$95,000. Intense cold prevented the firemen from doing effective work.

Epormous Charlty.

Calcutta, Dec. 29 .- Almost three million persons are receiving famine relief. The government is spending nearly two lakhs of rupees daily. It is estimated that the cost of the relief to the end of March will be three crores of rupees. Owing to the rapid increase in the numbers of people seeking relief the viceroy, Lord Curzon, of Keddleston, invites a closer scrutiny of the claims of the applicants.

LOVE FEAST IN ILLINOIS.

Republicans to the Number of Several Thousand Participate.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 29 .- The Republican love feast prior to the meeting of the State central committee tonight was held to day at the capitol. Several thousand Republicans were in attend-The practical withdrawal of ance. Gov. Tanner as a candidate for renomi nation last night precipitated an eager scramble for the head of the Republican ticket. Cook county Republicans lined up strongly today for Judge Eld-ridge G. Hancey. The love feast to-day was presided over by Chairman Charles B. Runnels of the State central The candidates announced committee. re Judge Hanecy and Richard Yates,

left Port Jervis four days before a war-He rant was issued for his arrest. walved examination and was held in \$10,000 bail

DEATH LIST. SYLVESTER MALONE.

New York, Dec. 29 .- Rev. Sylvester Malone, pastor of the Roman Catholic negotilations are going on in New York City, he said, to effect a settlement of the difficulties between his company church of Saints Peter and Paul, Brooklyn, and a member of the board of re-gents of the University of New York, died today, aged 79 years. He had reason to believe they would be sucbeen in failing health for some time reason to believe they would be suc-cessful. In any event twenty-four hours would probably tell the story, Should an arceement be reached, the equilibrium of the insurance world past and took to his bed about three weeks ago.

Dr. Malone was born in Trim county. Meath, Ireland, and came to America in 1839. . He was ordained in 1844, and was assigned to the church of which he was still the pastor to the day of his death. At the beginning of the war, Father Malone hoisted a Union flag on his church spire, and there it remained until it was taken down in order that it might be carried to the front by Williamsburg men. All through the war he labored arduously in behalf of the Union cause

THOMAS MACKELLER,

Philadelphia, Dec. 29 .- Thomas Mackellar, senior member of the firm of Mackellar, Smiths & Jordan, type founders, died today of pneumonia, at his home in Ge, mantown.

Mr. Mackellar, who was a printer, poet and author, was born in New York. August 12, 1812. He was the author of numerous books, poems and hymns, among them "The American Printer," a Treatise on Practical Printing. He was president of the Typefounder's associa-tion of the U. S. and was a member of a number of other organizations.

J. W. ANDREWS.

Elgin, Ills., Dec. 29 .-- J. W. Andrews, the old time "Watermelon man" of the Haverley Minstrel company, died at the Elgin asylum today, aged 64 years.

ACCUSES UNITED STATES.

Imparcial Says Columbia is Out For Silces of Territory.

City of Mexico, Dec. 29 .- Imparcial, the leading organ of the liberal party, has a significant article on what con stitutes imperialism, and tends to show that the United States has joined England, Russia, Germany and France in a career of conquest and aggrandizement. Imparcial declares that imperialism and expansion are symptoms of national unhealth and argued that no nation which has ever played the imperial role has endured but has seen itself shorn of provinces and possessions as fast as the outlying provinces grew strong enough to shake off the yoke of their subjugators. It compares the con-duct of the United States in the Philippines to that of Great Britain in South Africa, and ends by predicting that all expanding nations will be forced to prodigal expenditures to maintain their hold on the new possessions and so will become bankrupt.

This utterance from the chief liberal organ is significant of the sentiments of the members of that party, now lominant here.

There is a marked display in the press here of sympathy with the Boers. It is reported that British residents are raising volunteer corps to join the army in South Africa.

El Pais, the Catholic penny dally attacks the American missionaries, charging them with misrepresenting Mexico in their home organs, depicting as barbarous the land where they labor among the heathen and asks why they do not publish articles showing the great progress made here in railways, telegraphs, educational and manufacturing, but concludes that if they did not make the American people believe Mexico to be steeped in paganism and barbarism, they would not secure funds to maintain their missions. The religious question is at the bottom of the clerical party opposition here to

things American. MAJOR F. A. GRANT ILL. Confined to His Home by a Painful

Carbuncle.

and the Equitable, a rate war of the New York life, was seen might involve many other companies, at his new office in the comand in fact, would affect every one of mercial block this morning. He stated them. to the "News" that so far there had

MANAGER NOLAN'S VIEW.

The view taken at the local office of the Equitable is that the situation is neither serious nor alarming. Manager Nolan stated that the withdrawal of the Equitable from the anti-rebate compact was not for the purpose of breaking down rates, but especially for the purpose of correcting the evil of re-bating, so far as his company was con-cerned. This was specially set out in President Alexander's letter to Hon. Thomas B. Reed, referee, in September. Mr. Nolan does not think that any rate war will follow, and inclines to the belief that the situation has been exaggerated in reports from New York.

HOW OSCAR ELIASON MET DEATH. Was Out Rabbit Hunting Some Miles From Sydney When He Was Accidentally Shot by George Jones, a Com-

panion-Lived Three Days.

Full particulars are at last at hand | who had lost much blood and was quite concerning the tragic death of Oscar Eliason, the Salt Lake magician, in Australia. They show he was accidentally shot by one of his companions while rabbit hunting. The accident occurred not many miles from Sydney on November 26, and Eliason lived three

days. The steamer Aorangi, which arrived at Victoria from Sydney yesterday, brought the details. Intelligence of the sad affair was first received here on Thanksgiving morning, when Paul Hammer, brother-in-law of the deceased, received a cable from Mrs. Eliason containing only the words "Oscar shot dead." Ever since then there has been much speculation as to how the fatality occurred, the great majority

believing that it was the result of the bullet catching feat, while the minority scoffed at this idea. The minority proved to be right.

THE DETAILS.

It appears now that after having enjoyed a most successful season Oscar was resting at Sydney before continuing his tour of the Australian colonies, and, with a party of friends, went up to Dubbo, a small town a few miles from Sydney on a rabbit hunt, a form of sport of which the magician was very fond. After two days' excellent sport, the party was about to start back from Dubbo. Two men were loading the buggy, and Eliason was walking towards the vehicle, when some one shouted "Look there! Rabbits," whereupon some of the party turned to get a shot. Among them was George Jones, the planist of the Dante Company, who ran forward with his gun across his arm. Just then the weapon was discharged, although no one knows just how. The charge struck Eliason in the groin and he fell to the ground as his friends rushed to him and at once became partially unconscious. Dr. Tres-

sider was one of the party, and did what he could to aid the wounded man, although he had no instruments. Another sportsman drove to the nearest station with all possible speed, and

weak and in much pain. The wound was at once seen to be a serious one, but strong hopes of his recovery were entertained. So hopeful were his friends, in fact, that Eliason's manager, Mr. Leach, only cancelled engagements left to Christmas.

TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL.

The injured man was taken to Dubbo and placed in the hospital, where the two physicians were in constant attend. ance upon him. He seemed to be improving, although unable to sleep, and the hope of his recovery grew. But it was not to be, and at 2:20 p. m. on Nov, 29, he passed away.

AN INQUEST.

On Nov. 30 an inquest was held be-fore Coroner R. G. Dulhungty, the witnesses being Frank Eliason, brother of the decensed; George Jones, who fired the chot, Dr. Tressider and G. Taylor. The inquest resulted in a verdict setting out that "death had resulted from a gunshot wound, accidentally inflicted."

THE FUNERAL.

The remains were then conveyed to Sydney for interment and the funeral took place from Wood & Co.'s parlors, on George street. Notwithstanding the intense heat, over four hundred persons attended, among them being Viola Pratt-Gillette, of Salt Lake City, who s singing in "Robin Hood" at Sydney. Mrs. Ellason and her little daughter, Frank Eliason, Louis J. Lake, who went from Melbourne to be pres-ent, and a large number of professional people who entertained a high regard for the young Sait Lake The deceased was a Latmagician. ter-day Saint and the burial service was not of any set order. Rev. Geo.

Walters delivered a touching address. The grave is at Waverly, close to that of Sadle McDonald, the young Ameri-can actress, who died in Australia just three years before "Dante" passed away. Upon the grave were placed porcelain wreathes by Harry Richards, an Australian actor of note, Harry S. Hinner, Paul Cinquaralli, of the Tivoli theater and Hoyt & McKee's American "Dante's" managerial and mpany, working staffs and by many prominent theatrical, business and social people of prominence.

BODY WILL NOT BE BROUGHT HOME.

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