# THE DESERET EVENING NEWS.

TRUTH AND LIBERTY.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1900, SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.

# FIFTIETH YEAR.

ILING UP BOXES **OF AMMUNITION** 

oldiers in Frankfort Preparing for the Worst-Gov. Taylor Appeals to Prest. McKinley for Recognition and Aid.

is a Riot May Occur at any Time-Is Doubtful of His Power to Control the Situation-Governor Goebel is Worse, and His Kidneys Already Dead-Soldiers Hold the Balance of Power, and are in a Quandary-Nobody Will Drive Out Soldiers-Legislators are Prevented From Meeting-Disposition of the Troops-Squabble Over House Records-They are Returned to the Clerk-Conference of Attorneys-Results in Failure-Clue to Assassin.

tion are being delivered to Adjt. The hall of his office is ted celling high with cartridges. gestest activity prevails on the itol grounds.

inkets for the soldiers are arriving midence of a protracted stay is ap-

report that Lieut. Gray of the had resigned is pronounced ed by Commandant Williams.

is rumored that Gen. Castleman is dy in Frankfort in consultation Democratic leaders, but he cannot

PRESIDENT APPEALED TO. ington, Feb. 1 .- President Mcley has received a long message Gov. W. S. Taylor of Kentucky, today at Frankfort. Gov. Taylor tes at length the situation in Kenas declarges that he considers himthe legally elected executive of the is and asserts that the condition of in at the present time is most criti-He says that a riot may occur at

sixfort, Ky., Feb. 1 .- Boxes of am- | these gentlemen, and we wish to enter the hail and hold a session." "Nobody can enter without holding a pass," was the reply. Mr. Charleton returned to the Capitol hotel with his companions. They announced when they left the capitol grounds that they would get all the members of the house and senate together, return in a body and demand admission. The information was sent after them by the sentry as they walked away that with passes they could enter, without them they could

A large crowd gathered at the depot this morning to greet the train from Louisville. It had been currently reported that Gen. Castleman would come in and many of the enthusiastic Demo-crats expected to see him walk up to the State house and take, command of the troops, rout Adft-Gen. Collier the first thing, and then scatter the Repub-lican officials to all points of the com-Gen. Castleman falled to'appear, pass. however and there was a sorely disap-

pointed crowd of partiaans around the depot when the fact was realized. It was denied by the Democrats this morning that the position of adjutant general had been offered to Gen.Custleman. The report last night, however, was that an order placing him in command of the troops had been drawn up and signed.

The failure of Governor Goebel Gov. Taylor says he is doubtful spower to control the situation time being, at least, has lessened al time being, at least, has lessened all changes of trouble from that source. The soldiers will continue to obey the originaling him as the governor of be no conflicting orders to confuse nucky. he appeal is very earness and the add that Governor Taylor had reconsidered the administration is urgently re-his determination to insist that the legislature go to London. It was im-possible, however, to verify the story. Governor Taylor remained in his office in the executive building and practical-ly denies himself to all callers. He will not, moreover, discuss for publication an action which he has taken or may take hereafter. The records of the house of representatives which were taken fria Cierk of the House Edward Lee yesterlay by the militia while the legislatu 2 was racing around the strees in the value endeavor to find a hall in which they could hold a joint session and sent Mr. Cochel, have been returned to him by Invertor Taylor. Gen. Collier went to Mr. Lee and said that if Lee would go to the governor and ask for his records, and identify them they would be returned to him. Mr. Lee refused to do anything of the kind, saying that the records had been taken from him and must be brought to him. He admitted, however, that he was anxious to secure possession of his book of vouchers as the members of the house were anxious for their pay. He finally consented to go with Gen. Collier to Gov. Taylor. The latter asked Mr. Lee what books he wanted. he wanted. "I am asking for no books, Governor Taylor," replied Mr. Lee. "They were taken from me, and I think they should be returned to me. The matter is op-

disease but there must be a disagree-ment between the two houses, and the power to convene the general assembly is not the power to adjuorn it when in

CLUE TO THE ASSASSIN. Cincinnati, Feb. 1 .- A special to the Times-Star from Frankfort, Ky., says: An officer of the Covington police force has a clue to the assassin of Goebel, on which he is quietly working. The officer arrived here shortly after the shooting. He was told by a certain member of the house that he was stand-ing adjacent to the state house yard and immediately after the shooting saw two men running swiftly from the rear of the executive building, whence the shots were fired. The member told the officer that he did not want his name officer that he did not want his name mentioned at the present time, "but if there are any arrests made and when it gets into court, I will be there ready to testify, and I think my testimony will be substantial enough to place the crime where it belongs." The officer positively refused to give the legislator's name.

# SENATOR RAWLINS MAKES INQUIRY.

Washington, Feb. 1 .-- At the opening of the Senate's session Mr. Rawlins (Utah) rose to a question of personal privilege and to make a personal inquiry.

"I have noticed," said he, "in the Record of the last week frequent references to myself and intimating that if I had taken pains to do so, I might have revealed certain things as to the domestle affairs of citizens of my state and perhaps as to the moal status of a memmake is whether such allusion to a memtesies and privileges of this body, and whether it would be within the privileges of a member of the Senate to re-

ply to such allusions." "The parliamentary inquiry I wish to make is whether such illusion to a member of this body is a breach of the courtesies and privileges of a member of the

Senate to reply to such allusions." The chair (Mr. Frye) held that if any senator should begin an attack upon any member of the House, the chair would call him to order, but he said it was for the Speaker of the House to determine what action he should take in such circumstances. Mr. Rawlins said his silence should not be taken as

said his spience should not be taken as an admission of the truthfulness of the statements made. Mr. Pettigrew offered a resolution that a paper entieled "The Philippine commission," be printed as a public document. He asked that it lie on the table with temerase maning table until tomorrow morning. Mr. Pettus (Ala.) offered a resolution

calling on the secretary of the navy for instruction as to why he declined to supply the court of claims with the information as to naval courts martial. The resolution went over under objec-



BRITISH WESTERN ADVANCE

#### Situation in Cape Colony and Natal-English Alarm Over Defenseless Coasts.

New York, Feb. 1 .- Advices from Spearman's camp say that Gen. Warren's retreating force crossed the Tugela river without loss of a single man, but got away none too soon, a Boer 15pounder firing at the cavalry column at it was retiring. The Boers are mounting another big gun to fire on Ladysmith.

Men who were on the firing line at Spion Kop describe the fierceness of the Boer attack and the terrific havoc wrought by the enemy's shells. When the Boers were first seen they were 1,000 yards away. They then descended into hollow. When it was possible to see them next they were 70 yards off and the foremost British line sought shelter behind the rocks.

At this stage the first Boer shell burst and the order was given for one regiment to retire to the edge of the kopje, where there was more cover. The order was misconstrued by some of the foremost trenches, who fell back. The Boers solzed this opportunity and rushed at the trenches, capturing a few This mistake was soon observed. 1eft. bayonet charge followed and the overs fled. Two of the Boer Maximloers fled. Nordenfeldts commenced to drop shells among the British, doing terrible dam-age. The Boer riflemen, noticing the havoc wrought, attempted to creep closer up on two occasions, only to be driven back with loss. As they retreated they appealed to the British to sur-render. The response was a volley. The formation of the hill top is like a table, a mile long and a quarter of a mile broad. The shorter side alone was available for rifle fire. The firing party which responded to the Boer attack was necessarily small. The remainder of the brittle for small. British force was scattered about, seeking shelter.

Capetown, Wednesday, Jan. 31.-A British force with artillery is reported to have occupied Prieska and is now was fractured but today, after having encamped there. Prieska is on the Orange river, one hundred miles below Orange River stavery satisfactory way. tion and west of Kimberlay. Hoof Laager, Ladysmith, Tuesday, Jan. 30.-All is quiet here. The "long Toms" occasionally fire on Ladysmith. The deaths in Ladysmith from fever 6..... and other causes must be enormous, as we can clearly see them burying corpses daily. Gen. Joubert went to the upper Tu-

country authorized to enlist or send men from the United States to South "Second, no money has been appro-priated for the purpose of sending men

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to South Africa. "Third, any person desiring to go to South Africa, must do so at his own ex-pense. The cost from New York to South Africa is about \$200. It would be advisable for every person going out there to take an aditional \$200 or \$300 to provide for any possible contingen cles that might arise after arriving there.

"Fourth, the Orange Free State con-sulate has no late news from the Orange Free State government, as all coramunication has been cut off since war was declared. As few of those who would like to go

to the kopje and veldt have \$500, fully \$3 per cent of them will remain at house.

Growth of the Mutual Life. New York, Jan. 31, 1900 .- The annual meeting of the trustees of the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York was held today. The report of its busi-ness for 1899 is another illustration by a single company of the wonderful growth of life insurance during the past growth of the insurance during the past year. The actually paid for insurance in force in the Mutual Life now amounts to over \$1,051,000,000. The as-sets have reached the enormous sum of \$301,844,537. The receipts for the year were 58,890,077. The company paid for death claims alone \$15,623,979 and for matured endowments, dividends, etc., \$10,739,057. Since organization the Mu-tual Life has paid to policy holders, tual Life has paid to policy holders, \$514,117,940. There is now a contingent guarantee fund of \$47,952,548 in addition to the amount authorized for dividends in 1899 of 2,180,006.

## LATE LOCAL NEWS.

A vast number of very sore arms and some serious sickness is reported from vaccination.

Free public vaccination has fallen to a low ebb. Only three persons bared their arms at the health office to reeive the lymph today.

Director Horace S. Ensign asks the News to announce that the Tabernacle choir will meet as usual at the practice hall on Richard's street tonight.

There are now eighteen patients a the correctness of its information, althe smallpox hospital. All are doing well, including Mr. Blood, whose appethough it has not yet learned the exact positions Gen. Buller seized. tite is said to be something prodigious All the county employes received government parried most of the questheir regular monthly salaries this af ternoon. The amount paid out by Treasurer Lynch and aids was in the tions in regard to the war in South Africa. Mr. Wyndham, the parlianeighborhood of \$6,000. mentary under secretary of state for

Tomorrow evening a dance will be given by the young people of Cannon ward. The dances given heretofore in the ward have been very enjoyable and it is expected that the one tomorrow night will be no exception to the rule.

Friends desiring to view the remains of Mrs. William Dret may do so at the residence, 616 south Third West street at 1 o'clock p. m. tomorrow. The funeral services occur in the after-

A little boy of Walter J. Poulton was yesterday taken to the Holy Cross hos-Mr. Wyndham said Lord Wolseley pital, having been kicked in the fore merely intended to convey the impreshead by a Shetland pony. His skull

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# **FIGHTING AGAIN** ON THE TUGELA.

Gen. Buller Makes His Third Attempt at the Rescue of Ladysmith-Heavy Fighting Has Been Proceeding All Day.

War Office Says No News-House of Commons Parries Questions-Military Qualities of Boers Higher Than Anticipated -Statement Brings Irish Cheers-Government Does Not Relieve Public Anxiety-Disgust on All Sides-"heart of the Empire Seems Paralyzed"-Praise Only for Rosebery-Letter from South Africa-Boers Have Nearly 10,000 Trained European Soldiers-Suits for British Troops-Consul Hay at Pretoria-Report Gen. Joubert's Death-Uneasy About Coal.

London, Feb. 1, 4:30 p.m.-The St. | is majuring another attempt to reach James Gazette says it is reported on Ladysmith. A letter appears today from a Hangood authority that Gen, Buller has again crossed the Tugela river at three places and that fighting has been pro-

overian officer, formerly of the twenty-second German infantry, but now amone the military advisers of Boers, which says that nearly 10,000 trained European soldiers, including 6:40 p.m.-The war office has no news quite 300 officers, are among the Boers. Referring to the military situation at Ladysmith, the officer says: of Gen. Buller's alleged movements as reported by the St. James Gazette, but

"Owing to the strength of our posi-tion on a circle of heights like Scdan, we cannot be brushed aside except by a relief column outnumbering us 2 to

Owing to the discovery that cotton khaki is insufficient protection for troops sleeping on the South African plains, the government is starting to reclothe the forces in the field with worken khaki and here be also do the field with woolen khaki, and has already ordered 95,000 suits in Glasgow alone.

Rear Admiral Charles Beresford started for the continent this morning on his way to Malta, to take charge of the second British Mediterranean fleet.

Lorenzo Marques, Feb. 1.--Adelbert S. Hay, the United States consul at Pretoria, arrived here today on his way to the Transvaal.

tive to the speech made by Gen. Lord Spearman's Camp, Natal, Jan. 30.-There is an optimistic feeling in all ranks. The troops are confident of ul-Wolseley, the commander-in-chief, in regard to the reverses in South Africa, timate success. Great enthusiasm was aroused by the queen's message and General Buller's speech expressing ad-Gen. Warren's and Ciery's divisions, and hoping they would reach Ladysmith in a week. The natives persist in asserting that Gen Joubert was killed by a shell out-

rankfort, Ky., Feb. 1.-Goebel passed emfortable night, but was worse this ming. His pulse has increased to his temperature has risen to 1011/2, his respiration to 44. His normal is is 72 and normal respiration 18. At 11:20 Goebel was resting comfort-. He had improved slightly since ming. There is no change in the ions of the physicians that death

ensue sooner or later. 12:25 p.m. Goebel was slightly bet-E. He began to show more strength. At 12:30 Dr. E. E. Hume came from el's room and declared that the pathad taken a slight turn for the s, and that he would not be surto see him die at any minute. is kidneys are those of a dead man "said Dr. Hume, "and he cannot long in that condition."

#### ITUATION AT FRANKFORT.

okfort, Ky., Feb. 1.-Two goverand armed soldiers holding the the situation in Frankfort this ling Whoever the soldiers de-is the proper official for them bey will be seated in the gubernaal chair. The soldiers themselves in a quandry as to what they should they are awalting developments. e all the officers are Republicans, any of them said this morning the er had no intention of resisting the susperson of Kentucky, provided ar were once satisfied who the indi-ter were once satisfied who the indi-All things being equal they stand by Taylor.

tre was a change for the worse in or Goebel's condition this morning he chances are now said to be that of live for any great length of s. His physicians said this morning ath might come at any time or it shi be several days before he expires. high pulse and greatly increased aration, Dr. Weich said this mornadicate approaching collapse, and

chances are one thousand to against him."

he of the younger Democrats have ten away from the control of their an and this morning were openly ang of swearing, citizens as special in order to take possession the State buildings and capitol runds if the troops did not obey the dif issued last night by Gov. Goebel. al appeals to the people, "state-stathe public," and "proclamations commonwealth" were circulated, of them which did not, however, remany signatures, calling on the

ale to drive out the military by to one sure thing in this political os is that pobody is going to drive the soldiers. They will be driven by our and make and make no secret of the ases and a desperate fight is certain to

proprietor of the Capitol hotel, terday refused to allow meetof Democrats within the building as they had been informed by General Collier that he would finitely seize the building if they declared this morning that they allow any political meetings to the the distribution of the seize the mble that did not act contrary to rules al the establishment. They ald rent rooms to anybody who nited them, and the meeting could

ort was made by members of legislature at 10 o'clock to hold a legislature at 10 o'clock to hold a lich. A dozen roembers of the house at to the rates, headed by Represen-live Charlton, of Louisville. Two

tional with you, however." Gov. Taylor ordered the records re-turned to the office of Clerk Lee at once. A conference of attorneys of both

sides was called this morning, and met in the Capitol hotel. It was announced before it began that it was for the purpose of a general discussion to see if some adjustment of the present troubles could not be reached.

The conference was very short, so much so that it hardly deserved the name of a conference. It was opened by T. L. Edelen for the Republicans, who, it is said, presented a proposition to the Democratic attorneys, Judge W. S. Pryor and Mr. Lewis McQueen, providing that the difficulties between the rival governors be adjudicated by the federal courts. This was refused by the Democratic attorneys who took the stand that the matter should be first

passed upon by the State courts. This was not agreeable to Mr. Edelen and the conference was over. It was agreed, however, that a second meeting should be held in Mr. Edelen's office at

The attorneys met at noon in the office of Mr. Edelen and after some dis-cussion at which nothing was determined, the talk being entirely of an informal character, it was decided to meet again at 2 o'clock.

This conference also failed. At a conference of ex-Gov. McCreary, Judge W. S. Pryor, Louis McQuown and other prominent attorneys the question of Mr. Taylor's legal right to adjourn the legislature to meet in Lon-don was formally discussed. The unanimous opinion of the attorneys was an-nounced by McCreary, who said: "There is nothing in the constitution

of Kentucky to authorize the governor at this hour and under existing circumstances to adjourn the general assem-bly, and every lawyer that I have heard express an opinion regards his procla-mation as a gross usurpation. "The constitution of Kentucky fixes

the date for the regular session of the general assembly and says:

" 'Its sessions shall be held at the seat of government except in case of war, insurrection or pestilence, when it may, by proclamation of the governor, as-semble for the time being elsewhere.'

"The general assembly is now in ses-sion and under the constitution can remain in session sixty days. Being in regular session the governor does not have to convene the senators and repre-



OPEN ON MONDAY

Making That Recommendation.

## INCLUDES ALL CHILDREN.

#### Unvaccinated and Vaccinated Alike May Go to School Then Without Fear of Exclusion.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon there was every indication that the public schools would be thrown open to all the children of the city, irrespective of their

condition as to vaccination or non-vaccination. The board of health was in session at that hour considering the following resolution which it was stated would without doubt be adopted:

Whereas, The Salt Lake board of health after careful consideration of the Public health, and the conditions with reference to smallpox in this city, all cases having been strictly quarantined and sufficient time having clapsed to justify the belief that all fear of in-fection from these sources is passed, and stricter quarantine having been established in the outlying districts;

therefore be it Resolved. That we recommend to the board of education that the Public schools may be safely opened, without restriction, on Monday, February 5, 1900, provided there is no further ap-pearance of the disease.

#### RESOLUTION PASSED.

4:15 p. m .- The resolution was unanlmously adopted at 4:15 this afternoon. INCLUDES SUNDAY SCHOOLS. The same action was taken regarding

opening of Sunday schools and continu-ance of all public gatherings. DECIDED TUESDAY.

The vaccination hearing in the Supreme Court has been set for Tuesday.

#### COAL COMPANY INCORPORATES.

Articles of incorporation of the Carbon Dale Coal company, with headquarters in this city, were filed with the county clerk this afternoon. The amount of the capital stock is \$25,000, divided into 500,000 shares of the par value of 5 cents each. The officers of the company are: President, H. A. Smith; vice president, C. D. Harding; secretary and treasurer, E. A. Wilson. These gentlemen, together with S. H. Love and A. S. Campbell, also com-prise the board of directors. The company's property is situated in Carbon county.

# LETTER FROM LIEUT. HARD.

Second Lieut. Carl B. Hard, formerly of the Tribune, now of the Thirty-fifth infantry, U.S. V., in a letter to a friend in this city, dated Balniag, Luzon, P. I., They a member of the legislature, as are

Board of Health Passes Resolution gela yesterday.

> New York, Feb. 1.-London papers have little news from South Africa today and there is not much comfort in that little except that the beleaguered garrison of Ladysmith did not despair when they learned of Gen. Buller's sec-ond reverse, but were still hopeful and determined. The public does not believe that Gen. Builer's army is capable of relieving Ladysmith, so the talk of a fresh movement does not inspire here. It is not true, as has been reported, that Gen. Buller has withdrawn all his troops south of the Tugela. His big guns were still at Mount Alice on Sunday, with Lyttleton's brigade covering them.

According to the latest information the retirement from Spion Kop was in-evitable. When reinforcements and a few guns arrived during the night the position still held by the British forces was so confined that the various regiments were huddled together and it was impossible in the darkness to make proper arrangements to meet the of shell and bullets that the daylight would bring upon them.

The campaign in Cape Colony does not develop rapidly. The floers at Colesburg, Sternburg, and Stormburg seem to be content if they can keep the British troops in check while Cronje operates between Modder river and Kimberley, belding, Methuen, aniet Kimberley, holding Methuen quiet while the Boers bombard the diamond

Dr. Leyds' popularity in Berlin seems to be worrying the London pa-pers. He is to hold another confer-ence with Count Von Buelow, the German foreign minister.

The alarm over the alleged defense-lessness of the British Isles increases. The London Daily Telegraph publishes a dispatch from Portsmouth saying: "In the naval circles of Portsmouth there is a strong impression that be fore long the government will mobilize the reserve squadron and commission several cruisers to be added to it. This impression is borne out by the fact that the naval officers who are unemployed have been notified to hold them-selves in readiness to proceed on active service at short notice

"The work on ships in handat Ports-mouth is being pushed with all speed. Only the most necessary repairs on several cruisers now refitting have been taken in hand. That the channel squadron should

at the last moment have been retained n British waters instead of being sent direct to Gibraltar, is also considered sign that some important step may be taken. The squadron remains for ten days or a fortnight at Bantry and then proceeds to Suda Bay or Gibraltar.

All this, too, at a time when the tone of the continental press is not more hostile toward England than it has been for years; when no threat against England is heard in Russia or Germany, or even in France Charles Pierce, consul general for the

Orange Free State, says: "I believe that that man who went to

one of the armories here in Manhat-tan and said he had sent 300 men from Washington to the Transvaal and that used to send 300 more from here, prop is a fakir. No one has gone there from here, is a fakir. No one has gone there from this country, to my knowledge, unless he raid his own way and left here as a private individual. I know that some former army officers and surgeons have gone, because they have shown me their flickets, but I cannot tell you their names. These are the statements I make to all inquirers and there are many of them:

the injury attended to, he is reported as getting along towards recovery in a

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# AMUSEMENTS.

The most phenomenal engagement in The most phenomenal engagement in the history of the Theater wound up last night with "Oliver Twist," by the Nance O'Neil company. The crowd was again enormous, and the afternoon ren-dition of "The Jewess," was the heavi-est matinee Miss O'Neil has get played to here. The receipts of the two performances did not fall far below \$1,400 or \$1,500.

The company left for Portland this morning. They put in two nights there, and sail for Australia on the 9th. were to have played at Honolulu, but the prevalence of the plague there may now defer their engagement until their The Australian opening will return. occur on March 12th, in "Magda." The only members of the present company who bear Mr. Rankin and Miss O'Neil company are Mr. Clement, Mr. Becks, Mr. Hill and Mr. Canfield. Mrs. Clement goes with her husband, and it is the in goes with her husband, and it is the in-tention to produce his play of the "New Dominion," in Australia, Mr. Rankin assuming the part of the negro, taken here by Mr. O'Malley. If the play suc-ceeds there, it will be taken to London under Mr. Rankin's management.

The financial part of the Nance O'Nell engagement will be one of the most valuable experiments that the Sait Lake Theater has ever undertaken. The impression has grown of late years in the East that Salt Lake had greatly de-. teriorated as a show town, and the best companies felt that they could not re-main here longer than three or four nights. Without doubt Mr. Pyper will forward the official statement of the Nance O'Neil receipts to the offices where they will do most good; Mr Rankin will also file them for reasons of his own, as he is seeking a New York opening for his star, and the records of the enormous business she did in Salt Lake will be an "eye opener" to doubt-

Lake will be an eye opener to doubt-ing New York managers. Speaking of the box office receipts, they are handsome enough to stand on their own bottom, without being exaggerated. Both morning papers give an incorrect idea of the total. While Mr. Pyper and Mr. Rankin are mum as oysters on the official figures, it can be stated definitely that the total did not quite reach \$10,000-though the figures are very close to that amount. Mr. Rankin carried away with him about two-thirds of that sum, which is more than double what he expected to do when he booked Salt Lake. The other third remains with the Theater, and after paying the heavy running expenses, advertising, stage hands, very snng profit is left for the stockholders.

At the Grand tonight "At Gay Coney Island" opens an engagement of two night. The printing of the company in-dicates that the show is one of the

The 'amiliar features of John S Lindsay were seen in last night's au-dience at the Theater. Mr. Lindsay has had a series of unusual misfortunes this year, his company having been broken up by the attack of smallpox, at Spanish Fork; he is strong again, however, and hopeful as to the future. His many friends trust that his hopes

Mr. Frank M. Eldridge, formerly of this elty, arrived in town today, as advance manager of Lewis Morrison's "Faust," the company which of course travels without Mr. Morrison. The company is due at the Grand next week. Mr. Eldstates that his sister, Miss Ruth ridge states that his sister. Miss Ruth Eldridge, has a good engagement in the East, and that she was in excellent health and spirits when he left her. During his stay here he lives with the "Old Folks at Home," on First North street. . . .

Human Hearts plays a return engage. ment at the Grand Saturday afternoon

n that the military qualities shown by the Boers were of a higher order than had been anticipated. At this remark the Irish members cheered. Asked if he had any war news to communicate to the house, Mr. Balfour, the gov. ernment leader and first lord of the treasury, replied in the negative.

ceeding all day long.

the paper says it has no reason to doubt

In the house of commons today the

war, maintained that the information

furnished by the intelligence depart-

ment was generally accurate, and that

information in regard to the forces re-

maining in the United Kingdom would

be included in the statement which the

government would make shortly. Rela.

In the absence of exciting war news the nation and the newspapers have had time to discover the utter lack of relation existing betwen the feeling of the people and the temper of the government as demonstrated in parliament, where, instead of relieving the grave anxiety of the country by the declaration of measures it is proposed to take, in behalf of the national safety, the ministers continue to demonstrate their inability to grasp the sit-uation by beating the air with criminations, self-accusatory defense and bickerings as to the degree of respon-sibility attachable to the respective departments of the government. disgust, almost despair, noticeable The - 013 all sides, is voiced by the ultra ministerial organ. The Globe, which says: "The heart of the empire seems par-alyzed, while its extremities are in full vigor. Thus far only one statesman in the front rank has struck the right note, and that is Lord Rosebery.

The actual news from South Africa is of little interest. Gen. Buller maintains silence as to his future movements, but it is generally supposed he l of war.

side of Ladysmith. London, Feb. 1.—The announcement that a firm of Cardiff coal shippers has could a set to supply foreign egents with 400,000 tons of steam coal for shipment aboard has occasioned genu. a time in mess. The destination of the f el is not mentioned but as each at resent is exceptionally . urse in lorby going to one of these countries. rance is already placing her how deficiency by buying in the Unitel States, but the states and second are in a ced solely for railroad locom a tives and will not be used in the ears. The vital interest which the question has for Great Britain will be inderalocd when it is realized that Natur is downling on Wals for roal for the numerous transports that have cone to Dirban, because the contrainent defer fave icen closed by the war. It is contact out that a war 1 is a good move on the part of the Boers to drain Tesources. this manner and in the event of suc-den demands the British navy would be perilously crippled by the loss of so much coal. Some of the newspapers much coal. advocate the government placing embargo on such transactions in time

**BIG CAVE=IN AT MAMMOTH MINE.** Great Avalanche of Rock and Timber Goes Crashing from the Thirteen to the Seventeen Hundred-Foot Level-

#### Miners' Narrow Escape.

[SPECIAL TO THE "NEWS."] Mammoth, Feb. 1.-There was a great cave-in here at the Mammoth mine at an early hour last evening that came near sending nine men to their deaths. That they escaped as they did is accounted for only by the fact that nature warned them of the catastrophe that for the moment hung over them. As it was only one man was injured-D. A. Lindsay, who was conveyed to Salt Lake by train this morning and taken to St. Mark's hospital for treatment.

A great mass of rock and dirt-almost a mountain of it-gave way on the thirteen hundred foot level. The fourteen hundred foot level was struck with tremendous force and it, too, gave way, as did the fifteenth and sixteenth, each adding to the volume and velocity of the great avalanche until the seventeen hundred foot level was reached, and where it was stopped.

Lindsay and eight other miners were working between the sixteenth and seventeenth hundred foot levels and heard | tard or hinder operations.

#### FATAL RAILWAY ACCIDENT. Three Killed and Others Severely In-

# jured in a Florida Wreck.

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 1.-The fast train on the Plant system was wrecked twenty miles north of here last aight. Engineer Kennedy was instantly killed. One passenger was killed and the body The son of H. P. Herndon, mail agent of this city, died today at the Sanford hospital. Mr. Herndon Sr. is badly in-jured. A number of other passengers

1 and felt the avalanche start. Instantly they commenced a hasty retreat, run-ning for their lives as the deafening roar of the moving mass came closer and closer. All succeeded in getting to a point of safety except Lindsay, who was behind his comrades, and who was caught by the extreme outer edge of the falling timbers. As quickly as possible squads of miners were put to work to rescue him from his perilous position, a task that occupied two hours of industrious and dangerously performed labor --dangerous on account of the liability of another earth slide. But he was finally got out, apparently more dead than allve and hoisted from the mine and His injuries consist of several serious fractures of the right leg and some severe bodily bruises. This is how the accident occurred: A great mass of rock and dirt-almost

Inquiry at St. Mark's hospital this afternoon disclosed the fact that the fracture of Lindsay's leg was compound in its character and that an amputation of the limb will doubtless be made thus evening. Lindsay is thirty years of age and a man of family.

Regarding the accident local officers of the mine today stated that not amount to a great deal and being in a worked-out or abandoned portion of the mine, it would in no way re-

were also injured. The mail and erthrown from the track and turned over. The accident was caused by the train rinning into an open switch and oiliding with a freight car. It is beperson with the intention of wrecking th : train.

#### Increase in Price of Iron.

London, Feb. 1.-Throughout South Staffordshire the tron works have ad-vanced the price of iron 10 shillings per

liveliest sort traveling.

will be realized.

"First, any person wishing to go to South Africa must do so as a private individual, as there is no one in this and evening.

