## NEBRASKA NEWS

Measels have struck Chester with full force.

Protracted meetings are in progress at Hebron. The epidemic of measles is abating

in the locality about Wilcox. Diphtheria cases are also recovering with The apartments of the Buffalo club in Kearney were opened to the friends of the organization last week. The evening was spent at cards and re-

freshments, with dancing later. The Modern Woodmen of Wilcox

and vicinity, put their husking gloves on a few days ago and husked several hundred bushels of corn for J. T. Linekey, one of their members who has had a long siege of typhoid fever.

A Washington special says: Senator Allen will introduce a bill tomorrow permitting Colonel Victor Vifquain of the Third Nebraska to accept decoration of the order of the Double Dragon from the Chinese em-

William North, member of the First Nebraska volunteers, whose death was announced by a message to the War department by General Otis, was the son of M. B. North, a prominent farmer living a few miles north of Hastings. Young North joined the recruits for the First regiment when Captain Wilson was there. His death makes Hastings' first victim of the

Mr. Badenhope of Wilcox, who had while absent from home, suspected some corn huskers from Kansas, and together with a friend searched them, but found no money. The Kansas parties retaliated by instituting a suit for damages, which Mr. Baden. hope settled by paying them \$50 to withdraw their suit. He is now out \$150 and left to hold the bag.

State Treasurer Meserve filed his official bond given by the Fidelity and Deposit company of Maryland. The amount of the bond is \$1,500,000. The cash and securities in the office were counted and checked by H. N. Wagner, special agent of the company, and the | oath. amount of cash liability found is \$482,000. Governor Poynter was present in the treasurer's office and when the bond was presented to him he approved it after examination.

An old damage suit has come to the surface again in the form of an amended petition in the action to recover \$15,000 from Swift & Company, at South Omaha, brought by Frank Holoubek through his mother, Mrs. Mary Hopp. Holouebek, when 14 years old, was employed at a sausage machine in the establishment of the defendant and he charges that through the machine being not properly shielded and the moor being slippery ne had one of his hands torn and crushed.

Another step in the flourishing era of booze that seems to have dawned upon Omaha is the establishment of another big brewery. The Nebraska Brewing company has been recently organized with a capital stock of \$100,000, of which \$85,000 has been subscribed and paid up, most of it within the last ten days. A contract has been let for the immediate construction of a five-story brewery building to cost \$75,000, and to have a capacity of 25,000 to 30,000 barrels

Two of the men who are alleged to have robbed the postoffice at Cedar Bluffs, have been arrested in Arkansas and are on their way to Nebraska, in charge of Postoffice Inspector Albert | er; John Howard, Hastings, doorkeep G. Swift. The office was supposed to | er of the gallery; W. H. Pool, Wahave been robbed by three men near | bash, chief engrossing clerk; N. E Valley, who had been husking corn and Gardner, Norden, assistant enrolling doing odd jobs. They got a lot of clerk; W. S. Bourne, Beatrice, clerk stamps and about \$15 in money. Then of the committee of the whole; Euthey broke into a jewelry store and stole about \$150 worth of plunder. The postoffice authorities got on their trail | mail carrier; H. H. Winterstein, Frethrough a letter that they wrote home.

Officials of the Sloux City & Omaha railroad, the proposed air line from Sioux City to Omaha one the west side of the river across the Omaha and clerk. Winnebago reservations, claim that ing summer. They assert that the that the most important preliminaries yet to complete are the passage of a bill now pending before congress giving a right of way across the reservations, and making of a contract with the Credits Commutation company for the use of the Short Line bridge into Sioux City.

The first bill introduced in the senate, to be known as senate file No. 1. was presented by Senator Prout, republican, of Gage county. The bill provides for amendments of the existing election law in such a manner that no candidate may have his name printed on the ballot as the nominee of more than one party. The bill is "A bill for an act to provide the independence of voters at public elections; to enforce the secrecy of the ballot; to provide for the printing and distribution of ballots at party emblems, and the order of tickformulation of new parties and pre. vent fraud upon the members of any party, and to provide for the punishrepeal sections 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 152, 153, 154, 155 and 156 of chapter 26 of the compiled statutes of being consecutive section number 3040 of the compiled statutes of 1897 and to repeal said section 15 as it now ex-

It is now asserted in railroad circles. that the Milwaukee has caught the fast train fever, and will soon be in

on the races from Chicago to Omaha. Insurance company, as issued by the city of Beatrice, are valid. The bonds were voted August 8, 1889, in the sum of \$50,000 to aid in the construction of he Kansas City & Beatrice railway. After paying interest for several years on the bonds the city stopped pay-ment and raised the point that the railway company had not complied with the agreement and put in ma-

## THE NORTHWESTERN. NEBRASKA LEGISLATURE

Lawmakers Convene and Both the senate chamber at night. Houses Organize.

CAUCUS AGREEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Two Lancaster County Men Get the Hon ors Pertaining to the Chair-A. R. Talbot Made President of the Senate-Paul Clark Chosen Speaker of the

The Nebraska Assembly.

The Twenty-sixth session of the Nebraska legislature convened at the appointed hour on the 3rd. The organization of both houses was promptly effected along the lines that had been agreed upon by the various caucuses. Paul Clark was made speaker and A. R. Talbot president of the senate, both of Lancaster county by a strict party vote.

In the senate Lieutenant-Governor Harris presided. Senators Holbrook of Dodge, Steele of Jefferson, Van Dusen of Douglas, Canady of Kearney, and Schaal of Sarpy were designated as the committee on credentials. There were no contests. Chief Justice Harrison of the supreme court then administered the oath of office.

The rules of the session of 1895 were adopted temporarily until new rules can be framed. Senator Noyes by resolution offered the list of officers chosen by the republican caucus, headed by Senator A. R. Talbot of Lincoln \$100 taken from his trunk recently for president pro tem and Alpha Morgan of Broken Bow for secretary, to serve during the session, and moved their election. Senator Farrell of Merrick wanted a private secretary for the lieutenant governor, and thought the republicans had overlooked this. Officers were then elected by adopting the resolution of Senator Noyes. Senators Talbot of Lancaster, Alexander of Adams and Howard of Hamilton were appointed a committee to wait on Secretary of State Porter and bring him to the senate for the purpose of swearing in the officers elected. Secretary Porter administered the

> The committee an standing committees was then selected as follows: Talbot of Lancaster, chairman; Arends of Otoe, Barton of Johnson, Allen of Furnas, Crow of Douglas, Steele of Jefferson and Holbrook of Dodge.

> Senators Steele of Jefferson, Hannibal of Howard and Currie of Custer were named to wait upon the house and notify it that the senate was or ganized and ready for business. Senators Noyes of Douglas, Allen of Furnas and Farrell of Merrick were also selected to confer with a like committee from the house and wait. upon Governor Holcomb to advise him that the legislature was in session and ready to receive any communication he may have; also to fix a time for receiving his message.

> The complete list of officers elected in the senate under the resolution of Senator Noyes is as follows: A. R. Talbot, Lincoln, president pro tem; Alpha Morgan, Broken Bow, secreant secretary; E. E. Thompson, Grand Island, second assistant secretary; T. A. Boyd, Beaver City, bookkeeper; A. Cressman, Crete, chaplain; Clark Fairmont, sergeant-atarms; H. J. Tate, Steele City, assistant sergeant-at-arms; A. C. Wright, Elmwood, postmaster; Mrs. Frank So hus, Lincoln, assistant postmaster; G. P. Butts, Omaha, doorkeeper; Martin Kerl. West Point, assistant doorkeep gene Bush, Tecumseh, custodian of the senate; Charles. Johnson, Omaha, mont; and charles Cummings, Omaha, custodians of the cloak room; B. E. Powell, Cozad, bill clerk; George Mc. Cullum, Nebraska City, assistant bill

It was decided at a committee meet the road is a sure thing for the com- ing of senators that no requisition will be made for newspapers to be paid for surveys have been all completed and by the state. However, it was decided that each senator shall be furnished with 20 cents worth of postage stamps

> The report will recommend that en ployees shall be paid only while on duty for the state; at other times during the session of the legislature their pay will stop. Five pages and one messenger will be employed.

> In the senate on the 4th Senator Noyes of Douglas sent to the secretary's desk a resolution naming the following employes agreed on at last night's caucus. Pages, Manley Haughton, Walter Rodges, Charles Boercher and Willie Stout; messenger, Arnold Huenning; night watch, Chester Franklin. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Senator Ahrens of Otoe presented a resolution providing that senators be furnished with no newspapers at public expense; for the regulation of the state's expense; that each senator be allowed daily ten 2-cent stamps ets upon the ballot; to regulate the or their equivalent; and requested the secretary to keep the time of all employes, to the end that they be paid only for the time actually spent in ment of violation of the same and to the discharge of his duties. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

Preliminary work of organization being now complete, Senator Talbot of Lancaster moved the appointment of a committee of three to act with a Nebraska for 1895, as now existing: like committee from the house in arranging for a joint session to canvass the votes cast for state officers at the last general election. chair appointed as such a committee Senatora Talbot, Steele and Canaday, the committee reported that they had conferred with the house committee, and had agreed on 11 a. as the time for a joint session, Judge Munger has decided that the be held in representative hall, for the bonds held by the Northwestern Life purpose of canvassing the vote cast purpose of canvassing the vote cast for state officers on November 8 last. At 11 a. m. a receas was accordingly taken and the sergeant-at-arms, by direction of the lieutenant governor, formed senators in proper line and marched them through the corridors to the half of the house. Returning from representative hall at 11:45 the senate, on motion of Senator Holadjourned until Thursday

In the senate on the 5th a communication from General Barry was read by the secretary inviting members of

Senate file No. 1 was introduced by Senator Prout og Gage, beinrdlululu to amend.

Lieutenant Governor Harris held up a gavel, announcing that it had been presented by the wards of the deaf and dumb institute at Omaha. On motion of Senator O'Neill of Holt, the secretary was instructed to write to the wards of the institute a letter expressing the thanks of the senate.

The senate then, on motion of Senator Steele of Jefferson, repaired to the house for joint convention.

At 5:10 senators having returned from the joint convention, the senate was called to order by Lleutenant Governor Harris. After roll call Senator Talbot moved the appointment of committee of three to conduct the lieutenant governor, just installed, to the senate chamber. The motion being agreed to, Senators Talbot, Morgan and Canaday were named as such committee, and promptly returned with Lieutenant Governor E. A. Gilbert, who, on taking the chair, deliv-

ered a brief address. A telegram from Senator W. V Allen was read, as follows :

Washington, D. C., Jan. 5.-Hon. E. A. Gilbert, Senate: I congratulate the senate, and beg to express the hope that its sessions will be of profit to the state, and benefit to its members. WILLIAM V. ALLEN.

Senator Barton moved the appointment of the following committee of rule to report Monday at 2 o'clock: Senators Talbot, Noyes, Crow, Steele and Holbrok.

The senate adjourned until 2 p. m. Monday.

House, The house of the twenty-sixth session of the Nebraska legislature was called to order by Secretary of State Porter. Eric Johnson acted as clerk. The rol call showed all present except Wallring, who afterward came in.

Price of Hall, when nominations for speaker were asked for, named Hugh A. Myer of Douglas, and L. L. Loomis of Butler nominated J. R. Morrison of

The rol call showed fifty-two for Meyer, republican, and forty-four for Morrison, fusion.

Wilcox of Lincoln moved that a committee of five on credenitals be appointed. This motion prevailed, and the speaker pro tem, named on the committee. Detweller of Douglas, Price of Hall, ansen of Douglas, Wilcox of Lincoln and Weaver of Richard-

Weaver of Richardson offered motion that each member deposit his certificate with the credentials committee, and it was adopted. On motion of Pollard of Cass the

rules of the last session of the legislature were adopted, subject to change by a majority vote. Chairman Detweiler of the committee on credentials reported that certif-

icates had been presented and recom-

mending that those holding them be declared entitled to seats in the house. The report was adopted. On motion of Pollard of Cass, committee of three was appointed to wait on the chief justice of the su. preme court and request him to ad-

Chief Justice Harrison being announced, the members stood at their desks and the chief justice, from the clerk's stand, administered the oath, and afterward each member as his name was called went to the clerk's desk and signed the written oath. A committee from the senate an-

nonced that body to be organized, and ready for business. On motion, the house proceeded to permanent organization. Pollard of Cass nominated for speaker Paul Clark of Lancaster, as the choice of the republicans, and Grosvenor of Hamilton nominated C. F. Wheeler of

Furnas, the fusion caucus nominee. The roll was called, and Clark received 52 votes and Wheeler 48 votes.

Clark was declared elected. Speaker Clark, on taking the seat thanked the members, and said he knew the responsibilities of the office were great; that, while he would know no faction on the floor, he rejoiced that once more the legislature of Nebraska was in the hands of the republican party, and that the election of a United States senator in accord with the president was assured. He pledged his help to the members toward mak.

ing the session an economical one. Weaver of Richardson offered a motion that the remainder of the list of officers of the house be selected by acclamation, according to the list made out by the republican caucus, suspending the rules for that purpose. This was agreed to, and the following list was read by Detweller of Douglas

and elected by the house: Chief clerk, John Ware, Valley; first assistant clerk, A. D. Gilmore, Nemaha; second assistant clerk, J. O. Berkley, Brown; third assistant clerk, R. H. Langofrd, Lincoln; sergeant-atarms, Frank Cramer, Cass; doorkeep-er, Charles Carpenter, Washington; assistant doorkeeper, F. L. Miller, Jefengrossing and enrolling clerk, William Wheeler, Wayne; chaplain, J. W. Seabrook, Nuckolls; post-

master, L. Cornell, Washington. Rouse, Jansen and Wheeler were appointed a committee to notify the sea ate that the house was ready for bush ness and fully organized.

Pollard of Cass, Chittenden, Olmstead of Douglas, Wilcox of Lincoln and burns of Lancaster, republicans, were appointed a committee on employes to report for the guidance of the speaker.

Grosvenor of Hamilton moved that a committee to determine the quantity and character of stationery supplies for the house be appointed, and the speaker appointed Burnam of Douglas, Nesbit of Burt and Grosvenor of Ham-

The house then adjourned.

The house, on the stn, was called to order by Speaker Clark.

A committee from the senate announced that it had been appointed to confer with a like committee from the house and arrange for a joint convention of the two houses to canvass the vote for state officers.

Evans, Lane and Tunner.

rick, providing for the committe to inform the governor that the house the senate to attend the reception to | was ready to consider any communibe tendered Governor-elect Poynter in cation he might wish to present, having prevailed, the speaker appointed Thompson of Merrick, Haller and

Grosvenor on that committee. The joint session to canvass the vote announced the following result: for governor, Hayward, 92,982; Poynter, 95,703; Muir, 1,724; Aley, 248.

For lieutenant governor: Murphy, 92,150; Gilbert, 94,850; Loomis, 1,778;

Kerrigan, 254. For secretary of state: Duras, 92, 395; Porter, 94,408; Lawson, 1,749; Dilworth, 144; Bernine, 229.

For auditor of public accounts: Matthews, 91,539; Cornell, 94,674; Crowell, 1,710; Johnson, 166; Conway, For state treasurer: Mortensen, 91,-

623; Meserve, 95,040; Burch, 1,699; Luth, 138; Kissel, 239. For superintendent of public in-

struction: Taylor, 91,791; Jackson, 94,595; Upton, 1,615. For attorney general: Jackson, 91,-694; Smyth, 94,295; Wolfenbarger, 1,-

805; Odell, 146; Baker, 249. For commissioner of public lands and buildings: Williams, 91,471; Wolfe, 94,503; Blum, 1,651; Kelly, 143; Herman, 275.

For congressman, First district: Burkett, 16,960; Manahan, 14,466; Herman, 50. Second district: Mercer, 11,-951; Hitchcock, 11,023. Third district: Norris, 17,333; Robinson, 18,722. Fourth district, Hinshaw, 18,377; Stark, 18,-904. Fifth district: Adams, 15,487; Sutherland, 16,354; Armstrong, 27. Sixth district: Brown, 13,401; Greene,

For judges of district court to fill vacancy, Sixth district: Hollenbeck, 5,922; McAllister, 5,203; Third district, Tuttle, 4,501; Frost, 5,548.

The committee appointed to wait on the governor reported that his excellency had declared his readiness to submit his annual message at any time, but that he preferred to do so just prior to the close of his term and just before his successor was inaugurated.

Prince of Hall (rep.), moved that committee on deficiencies be added to the regular standing committee of the house. In explaining his motion, he said the object was to separate the claims for deficiencies in appropriations for institutions and state offices from other claims that were likely to come before the house. After consid-rable discussion, the motion was dropped. Adjournment followed.

In the house on the 5th Thompson of Clay, fusionist, offered a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee of three to inquire into the number, character, sufficiency and amount of all claims against the state now on file and those during the two years ending November 30, 1898, and to report to this house. It was laid on the table.

The speaker announced the following appointments of employes. Fourth assistant clerk and time-keeper, H. Glasgow; custodian, G. W. Davenport; stenographer and typewriter to chief clerk Mrs. Hattie Fletcher; custodian of cloak room, J. Y. Colper; assistant custodian of cloak room, Theodore Smith; janitors, F. P. Culling, Frank Johnson; assistant door keeper, Jerry Wilhelming; assistant postmaster, S. J. Harris; private secretary to the speaker, G. W. Marsh; night watchmen, John Licklider and F. W. Koetter; bill clerk, Ed. Morris; assistant, S. S. Skinner; custodian of supplies, G. P. Porter.

Speaker Clark announced the committee on rules as follows: Speaker, Pollard, Prince, Thompson of Merrick, Detweiler, Wheeler and Weaver.

The resolution by Beverly of Douglas, providing that there be at once a sufficient number of employes of the house appointed to transact the business of the body, was adopted. The motion of Jansen that, when

day at 2 p. m., was agreed to. The senate was announced and the members, preceded by the lieutenant governor and President Pro Tem, Talbot, came in and were seated with the members of the house, the lieutenant governor being given the gavel by

the house adjourn it be to meet Mon.

the speaker. The roll of each house was called and on resolution presented by Senator Noyes, a committee of five was appointed to wait upon the governor and inform him that the joint convention was in session and ready to receive any communication he desired to lay before it. The committee was also directed to invite the governor-elect and state officers-elect to attend the

convention. The supreme court of the state of Nebraska was announced by Sergeantat-Arms McLeod and immediately after announced the governor and state officers.

Governor Holcomb and Governor elect Poynter were conducted to places on the clerk's stand and the members of the supreme court seated beside them. Lieutenant Governor Harris introduced Governor Holcomb, who at once proceeded to read his annual message.

The mesage was a lengthy one, con taining seventy-six typewritten pages. It gave a review of the past year, the war with Spain and Nebraska's part in it; the exposition; the prosperity of the state and taking up of abandoned farms; the state finances; sus. pended banks and defalcations of state officials; investment of trust funds, as shown by the treasurer's report; condition of state institutions; operation of the parole law; management of state prison and benefits of the agricultural experimental station.

Governor Holcomb made the following recommendations: A reduction rate of interest on state warrants to 4 per cent.

The calling of a constitutional convention for revision of the constitu-Revision or amendmen t of state

revenue laws. Passage of law for collection of an inheritance tax. Amendment of tax law which at present allows much property to go untaxed while the poor man pays a

high rate in proportion to the rich

man, owing to the system of the low valuation. The transfer of certain funds to the general fund as recommended by the state treasurer. Stricter laws with regard to insur-

ceived far less money from insurance | girl.

The motion of Thompson of Mer- companies than other states did, and he asked the passage of a law to rem. edy it.

> Appropriation for current expenses of state institutions. Enlargement of insane asylums at Lincoln and Hastings and a special

building tax to provide for it. The owning by the state of the home for the friendless at Lincoln. A larger appropriation for the state

university. That contract labor be restricted to manufacture of those articles needed in state institutions, especially

shoes.

The sale of penitentiary lands. Continuance of the bureau of labor statistics, but a better method of gathering crop statistics, which would require provisions for at least one salaried office.

A law against indiscriminate voting of irrigation bonds. Amendment of live stock laws, es-

pecially with reference to contagious diseases A supreme court commission to try cases until amendment of constitution increases number of judges.

Careful investigation and consider ation of railroad rates and passes; moderation of maximum freight laws; an elective railroad commission. Speedy determination of litigation

in South Omaha stock yards cases. The reorganization of the Nebraska An appropriation of \$50,000 for prosecution of cases wherein the state is a party, especially cases for recovery

of money due the state by defaulting officers or failing banks. Direct vote for senator. Erection of an executive mansion. When Governor Holcomb closed Chief Justice Harrison administered

the oath to Governor-elect Poynter and the latter read his message. The oath was then administered to the other state officers by the chief justice and the joint convention ad-

Nebraska in Washington.

journed.

Lincoln Journal special: Senator Allen, who has been somewhat indisposed since the opening of congress, appeared on deck today in his office in the Maltby building. The senator says that he has been suffering from a severe attack of the grip, which he has finally overcome by secluding himself at times from the Washington atmosphere and seeking the medical assistance of Providence hospital, where he remained for some days in order to eradicate the malaria from his system. Senator Allen is watching with very great interest the reports that appear in the Washington papers from Lincoln as they affect the senatorial contest. The senator is not satisfied that under the circumstances a republican successor to himself is

The supreme court today, Chief Jus. tice Fuller rendering the opinion, dismissed for want of jurisdiction, the cases of the Capital National bank of Lincoln vs. the First National bank of Cadiz, O., and the Coldwater National bank of Coldwater, Mich., and John W. McDonald, receiver, vs. the Genesee Fruit company and the Samuel Cupples Woodenware company, coming over from the supreme court of Nebraska. These cases, growing out of the failure of the Capital National of Lincoln, were argued sever-

al weeks ago in the supreme court. The abstract of reports made to the comptroller of the currency giving the condition of the ninety national banks in Nebraska outside of Lincoln and Omaha on December 1, shows a slight increase in loans and discounts over the last report and a slight decrease in the individual deposits on hand. The figures shown are as follows: Loans and discounts, \$13,717,295; due from other banks and bankers, \$4,570,235 total resources, 24,979,257; surplus and undivided profits, \$1,706,924; que to other banks and bankers, \$1,687,-564; individual deposits, \$14,143,202; average reserve held, 33.83 per cent as against 36.08 per cent of last Septem-

George S. Copeland has been commissioned postmaster at Havelock,

A lady friend of ex.Senator Van Wyck's widow denies the rumor or her contemplated marriage. In a recent conversation she said: "No, there is no truth in that report. The lady has no desire to unite her fortune with either an eastern or western man. She is amply able to manage her own business affairs. Fortune hunters and those seeking notoriety had better look up new fields than waste their efforts at Hastings, Neb."

In pursuance of an order made at the annual meeting of the association last September, the general offices of the Western Travelers' Accident association have been removed from Grand Island to Omaha. The offices will be located in the United States National bank building, and Arthur L. Sheetz, the secretary, will be in charge with two clerks. Two rooms will be occupied at present, but an option is held on the third in the event that business warrants the increase of

The association was organized in 1892, and today has about 2,000 members, representing nearly every state in the union. Some 90 of these members live in Omaha, which is one reason why the change in location of headquarters has been made, they having been at Grand Island snce organization. The president of the association is Ed Streeter, who lives in Omaha. On February 10 a cimplimentary banquet will be given to all the members of the association who can be present by the Commercial club of Omaha in honor of the action which brings the headquarters to that city.

J Franklin Brown, a mind reader and hypnotist, tried to hypnotize a lion in San Francisco. The beast viewed his gestures with a sort of sleepy wonder, and then ended the tableau by biting his hand. Although the wound was inflicted months ago, it never healed. Mr. Brown scratched it a short time since, blood poisoning resulted, and caused death.

A laughing fit attacked Miss Sallie Hollins of San Joaquin, Tex., and for three days she laughed hysterically, with only brief intermissions. Local physicians failed to cure her, and her On motion of Evans of Adams, a committee of three on conference on joint session was appointed. On this committee the speaker appointed to the fact that Nebraska refor treatment. As they were crossing sied, and the sudden plunge cured the

Forch Will be Set to Iloilo Soon as a Landing is Made.

ALL IS READY TO BURN

The Town is Kerosened for the Conflagration-Banks and Merchants Hurry. ing Treasure Aboard United States

MANILA, Jan. 9.-Colonel Potter. the special emissary of Colonel Otis between Manila and Iloilo, arrived this afternoon with dispatches from the latter place. The situation when he left there was practically unchanged. The streets were barricaded and it was reported that the principal buildings had been "kerosened," the insurgents having threatened to destroy the whole business section by fire at the first shot of bombardment. The banks were shipping treasure to the United States transport Newport and other vessels. The family of the American vice consul has gone on board the Newport.

Colonel Potter reports that President McKinley's proclamation had to be typewritten aboard ship, as the printers on shore declined to do the work when the text of the proclamation was read to them, ridiculing the notion that conciliation was possible. Privates Harry Silvey and Frank Kirkpatrick of the Sixth United States artillery, while guarding a water boat astern of the Newport, were attacked by the natives of the crew. Private Silvey's skull was fractured, fatally, and Private Kirkpatrick fell over-

board, but escaped with a fiesh wound. The United States gunboat Petrel arrived at Iloilo on Friday and Colonel Potter reports that the United States troops will probably land on Guiamaras island, about midway between the island of Panay and the island of Ne-

gros, where a camp will be established. Captain Harlan McVay, assistant surgeon, was buried on Friday. Private William Rasch, Company M, Kansas volunteers, is dead of the small-

No Collision With Insurgents.

Washington, Jan. 9.- The war department received another dispatch today from Major General Otis, commanding the United States troops in the Philippines.

The officials observe unusual reticence with respect to its contents, but it is understood the information contained is not of an unfavorable character or such as to give undue concern to the administration.

So far as the officials are willing to admit the dispatch shows no material change in the conditions existing at the time of previous advices. One cabinet officer tonight said it contained nothing of a character alarming, serious or exciting. There had been no collision with the insurgents, he added, and not a shot had been

fired. The president's proclamation to the Filipinos had been published in Manila, but General Otis did not say to what extent it had been made known to the inhabitants in the other parts of the group of islands, nor whether it had been published at Iloilo. At the latter place General Miller had been directed to land the troops under his command now on the transports there, but the dispatches from General Otis did not indicate whether

this had been done or not.

Opposing Expansion. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.-The week promises to be a busy one in the senate. It will begin with an elaborate and carefully prepared speech by Sen-ator Hoar to be delivered immediately after the transaction of the routine business tomorrow in opposition to the extension of American terrtitory. This speech is of considerable length and with the interruptions that are liable to occur it will probably consume the greater portion of the day. Tuesday Senator Mason will discuss briefly his resolution in opposition to this country's asserting sovereignty over Cuba and the Philippines, taking strong ground for the independence

of the people of those islands. Senator Morgan will make an effort early in the week to get the senate to name a date for taking a vote upon his bill for the construction of the NIcaragua canal and whether he succeeds or not will press the bill as continuously upon the attention of the senate as circumstances will permit. Unanimous consent is necessary to the fixing of a time for the vote and it is not probable that this will be se. cured for some time to come.

Queen Regent Must Sign Treaty.

MADRID, Jan. 9.- The partisans of the government believe that Senor Sagasta will again endeavor to postpone the cabinet crisis by suggesting to the queen regent that she use her constitutional powers to ratify the treaty, the American senators have ratified it, and the convoke the Cortes at the beginning of February. on which event Senor Sagasta would form a Weylerist cabinet and reconstruct his party. A dispatch received from Havana

says that all the Spanish soldiers have now left the island.

Paris, Jan. 9 .- Le Soir says it learns

from an indisputable source that the court of cassation is convinced that Dreyfus was justly condemned. M. Quesenay De Baure-Paire, president of the section of the court of

cassation has resigned his position in consequence of a disagreement regarding the Dreyfus inquiry. According to the Matin this morning Madame Dreyfus has received a cablegram from her husband saying

that his health is perfect, physically

and morally. Pardon for Span'ards.

London, Jan. 9 .- The Daily Chronide says this morning that the United States government ought to demand of Spain the pardon of Colonel Julison San Martin, who has been sen-