

The divide section reaches from here of the inhabitants thereof under the form through the high, rocky ranges of hills adopted by your republic. Freedom, suffrage and independent self-government are the only basis of an ordalised twenty-four miles further. There are 7,-500,000 cubic yards of rock in this and about state in the present times. Like America, the Philippines will grow prosperous and happy, if instead of sowing oppression and militarism and their in-evitable consequences, war and disorder, the senate of the United States—complying with 5,000,0000 yards of earth and clay. The depth of this cut, will be mitigated by the height of the canal, which is here should 113 feet above the sea. The actual cutting will be about 200 feet in depth.

From here begins the Oacha section, which runs through the San Francisco basin and Florida lagoon. This is low country and the cutting, which will reach to the Oacha dam, 32416 miles from the Caribbean sea, will only add, 10.000,000 yards to the figures, making a trifle over 40,000,0000 cubic yards to the dam.

From here a summary of the cut through the San Juan river will aggregate 34,000,00 cubic yards, with about 5,000,000 more for curve widening and 2,000 acres clearing and grubbing. This will not include any of the dams or embankments, but simply the channel cutting in the bed of the San Juan river. This makes 75,000,000 -cubic yards of all grades of cutting to Lake Nicaragua. :

Delicate Piece of Engineering. The cost of the Oacha dam, upon which rests the entire feasibility of the route, has not been accurately estimated, as the undertaking is of so colossal a nature as to be beyond figuring with any degree of accuracy. The dam will be over 1,500 feet in length, its foundation seventy-five feet below the bed of salt in the river bottom, and its rise over 130 feet. As the river will have to be turned from its course during the and pray you to complete your noble task construction, it will be seen that many deconstruction, it will be seen that many de-tails will have to be taken into consideration for an estimate of it 20st. The San Carlos-General Aguinaldo has established in the for an estimate of impost. The San Carlos-embankment will compeveral million dollars embankment will conference million dollars Philippines a regular and orderly civil and and the estimates are being mader. The cuts military administration and everybody there in the shallow part of the lake will aggre-gate 10,000,000 yards, making a total of \$5,000,000 to the western division of the canal. The estimates for the western division have not been made yet. They are under

formal promises made before the war by all the representatives in the far east of th American administration—will recognize the independence of the Philippines and proclaim the everlasting friendship and alliance of our two countries, joined by their common sentiments, created in the field of honor, combating as comrades for justice and manity. Do, pray, help the Filipinos to obtain their noble aspirations. I intend to return to America at the first opportunity and will not fail to personally offer you the assurance of my respect and high consideration I am, sir, your most obedient servant, FELIPE AGONCILLO. The second of these letters reads as fol-

LONDON. Dec. 13.—Senator Eugene Hale, Washington.—Sir: We have addressed to George F. Hoar, United States senator for Massachusetts, the following cable: "Fillpinos everywhere congratulate and thank you. Hale and Vest for noble efforts against military rule, colonial expansion. We want American alliance: citizenship, not subjugation. Pray you oppose military occupation. Philippine committee, London." We beg to confirm the foregoing reques

the expectation of my countrymen and the

formal promises made before the war by all

trary to the doctrine of independence and the constitution of the United States. Destiny Knows No Logic. "War is illogical. It violates the injunction of the Great Master, 'peace on earth, good will to men.' Revolutions are inogical. They overturn the existing order of things. That he fleet of Admiral Cervera, coming out of the harbor of Santiago and meeting an American fleet of nearly equal strength, should have been sunk in thirteen minutes, with a loss of half its officers and crews,

lawyers will doubt that among the reserved

powers of society, which belong to us as a

nation, is the right to administer the af-

fairs of territories acquired by conquest or

by cession, under such form of government

as congress and the executive may prescribe.

But to the great number of wise and good

people, to govern any of the possessions of

the United States, except as the people would

govern themselves, seems illogical and con-

while the American fleet lost but one man and received no damage to any vessel, is illogical. It is against the traditions of var. That Dewey with six cruisers should have sailed, unharmed, past the forts in Manila bay and capture and destroy thirteen Spanish men-of-war, without the loss of a man, is illogical, according to the cal-

ulations of war. "Destiny knows no logic. Providence, in the wise purposes which it has for nations, makes the precedents and conditions from which alone the logic of those conditions can be argued. We make war against a foreign power and for the first time in the history of the world solely for human-

ity. The world cannot understand and the world stands by to sneer and scoff. To maintain order in Cuba until its people shall be able to maintain a stable government of government is humanity. To permit the bloody Volunteers Enroute Home.

bution of \$600 from Cuba for that purpose.

camp to be kept in such fine condition.

Camp Thomas.

igo and

Tuesday next.

laid to their recent sickness.

West Indies Unfit for Use.

DENVER, Dec. 23 .- Companies E, F, C and G. First New York volunteers, enroute home from Hawali, left Denver in a special train on the Burlington railroad shortly after midnight and are today moving eastward through Nebraska. They should arrive in Chicago tomorrow. George Peet, William Birdsall and Elmer Morris of Company G were taken ill with fever on the train and were removed to Fort Logan, near this city.

## Ohio Troops Leave for Cubs.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 23 .- The Sixth Ohio, Colonel McMackin, received orders today to move. The regiment goes from here to Charleston, S. C., where a transport will be taken for Clenfuegos, Cuba. The Sixth expects to leave. Camp Poland tomorrow night and will spend Christmas on the road. This regiment is one of the commands of the First brigade, First corps, of which the Fourth Tennessee is already in Santa Clara province.

Pittsburg Gas Companies Join.

NEW YORK. Dec. 23.-It is announced to-day that the consolidation of all the local gas regions of the West Indies. light and heating companies of Pittsburg has been successfully accomplished. The combination was managed by Brown Bros., bankers of this city. The capital invested is \$26,000,000. The companies absorbed by the new syndicate are the Allegheny Light company, the Philadelphia company, which includes the Allegheny Heating company. confirmed this and he thought there were

controls the Pennsylvania Natural Gas com-pany and holds in lease the Chartlers Valley Gas company, and the Consolidated Gas company.

#### Law Seines "Slippery Jim."

admitted to service. SOUTH BEND. Ind., Dec. 23.-John Moran, who has many aliases and is best known as liberty and law is humanity. To incorporate "Slippery Jin," was arrested today for al-Porto Rico in our domain, relieve its alti-sens from oppression and give them good capture was effected by means of a decoy government is humanity. To permit the bloody registered letter, Moran was released March met the Segurnica on its return from Santi-

partment has taken steps to strengthen the military forces in the Sioux Indian both being thankfully received. The Chriscountry, South Dakota. This is merely pretian commission had done an excellent cautionary, as the officials deem it advisawork, he said, and the soldiers had asked ble to be prepared for any possible conto have it continued, having sent a contritingency which may arise. The first cavalry, with headquarters at Fort Riley, Kan., Regarding General Lee's command at will be utilized mainly for the purpose and Jacksonville, Geenral Howard said he had will be moved from the various stations not believed before that it was possible for at which it is scattered in the west north ward toward Fort Meade, S. D. The re-General Howard said he was strongly opmaining companies are at Fort Riley, Fort posed to bureaucracy and thought a com-Robinson, Fort Yates, Fort Washakle, manding general should be in absolute con-Wyo., Fort Keogh, Mont., Fort Sill, Okla., trol of his camp or corps. General Wilson and Fort Niobrara, Neb.

asked if General Howard thought the man-The movement is expected to begin very agement of Camp Thomas had been hampsoon. The First regiment will be relieved ered by bureaucracy. It took about fifteen by the Sixth cavalry, which, with its headminutes to get a direct answer to this, the quarters, is now at Huntsville, Ala. witness offering numerous illustrations and examples of what he co s ituted b.r aucracy.

But in the third repetition of the question urvivors of the Civil War Remem-General Howard said he thought there bered by the General Government. might have been something of the sort in WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- (Special.)-

As to the lessons of the war. General granted: Howard said he thought it had been proven Issue of December 12: that troops could not be acclimated in south-Nebraska: Restoration and additionalern camps for service in the more malarious

Henry C. Palmer, dead, Omaha, \$4 to \$6. Restoration and Reissue-Alexander Miller, dead, Bradshaw, \$14. Original widows, &c. --Mary E. Marsh, Blue Springs, \$12: Frances L. Palmer, Omaha, \$12: Mary E. Miller, Bradshaw, \$8 General Howard said he had never approved the law which prevented the president from calling on retired army officere for service in time of war. His experience

L. Faimer, Omana, \$12; Mary E. Miller, Bradshaw, \$8. Iowa: Original—William T. Rounsevell, Sac City, \$8; Lorenzo D. Morris, Waverly, \$6. Increase—George W. Barter, Clinton, \$6 many experienced retired officers who could to \$8; Horace Judson, Correctionville, \$8 to \$10. Reissue-Ira Butterfield, Lake Mills, \$17. Original widows, &c.-Anna Gordon, have served the government better than many of the young and inexperienced men who were appointed from civil life. He Webster City, \$12; Mary L. Farmer, Ewari, \$12; Martha Stahl, Knowlton, \$8. thought all officers not regulars should be examined as to their fitness before being

Marina Stahl, Knowiton, \$5.
South Dakota: Increase—Samuel Suther-land, Lennox. \$6 to \$8.
Colorado: Original — Desideno Montano, Talpa, \$8; William M. Hallowell, Julesburg, \$6. Increase—Lewis F. Garson, Denver, \$8 to \$12. Original widows, &c.—Verona Schmoeger, Denver, \$8. General Howard was also in favor of staff school for officers and said all staff urned with it from Tampa to

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PENSIONS FOR WESTERN VETERANS

The following western pensions have been

made yet. They, and under total of 115,000,000 cubic yards of all kinds of excavation to the harbor at Brito, and allowing 9,000,000 cubic yards for dredging here, the total estimate will come to nearly 125,000,000 yards, exclusive of all dams and embankments. It will be seen that \$185,-000.000 will be a conservative estimate of the entire cost of the canai and this almost agrees with that of General W. Ludlow's report of 1896.

# PAPERS GET THE NEWS FIRST

#### Government Knows Nothing of Pro posed German Reciprocity Negotiations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- The British newspapers, it is said at the State department, are far ahead of the department itself in getting news of the intentions of the German ambassador to Washington respect ing the initiation of new tariff negotiations. The department is not aware of the nature of the instructions with which the ambassador is charged. It has been supposed that ultimately the German government would take advantage of the reciprocity clause of the tariff act to seek to enter into som such arrangement for mutual concessions in tariff charges as was reached between the United States and France last summer There had been some exchanges on the subject, but they can scarcely be said to have reached the dignity of full negotiations. It is possible, now that the ambassador has been in consultation at Berlin with his government, that he is better prepared than he was before he left Washington to embark upon formal negotiations. The fourth clause of the reciprocity section of the tariff act allows considerable latitude on articles of import, even sugar, and the French government has sought to take advantage of its provisions to enlarge its reciprocity arrangement with the United States. The agreement entered into last summer is very limited, being made under the third section of the act, but the negotiations now in progress have in view considerable enlargement of the conces stons under section four. M. Cambon, the French ambassador, is expected to return to

tiations. CONFLICT WITH FRENCH CLAIMS.

Washington to promote this series of nego-

Rights of American Citizens Shanghai Insisted Upon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- So far as can be learned here the conflicting claims be tween the French government and the United States government at Shanghai, China, do not involve any broad question relating to the acquisition of large tracts of China by France. Complaint was made to this government that the French representatives in China, under guise of extend ing the limits of their extra territorial con ession in Shanghai, had included in the claim certain property, valued mainly for riparian uses, which had long been occupled or enjoyed by American citizens and American corporations. Upon this state-



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direction of Admiral Walker's con. V. W. G. Walker, and they, will amount to not less than 30,000,000 cubic yards more, making a a fegular connection such as is required by the comity of nations, with the recognized authorities. Why disturb these peaceful can military occupation? We are, sir, your most obedient servants.

F. MADRIGAL. Chairman.

Taxes on Medicinal Articles. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- An important opinion rendered by Assistant Attorney General Boyd and approved by the attorney general was sent to the secretary of the trens-

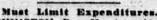
ury today construing section 20 of the war revenue act relative to taxes under schedule B, of medicinal articles and preparations The opinion, in substance, holds that the subjects of taxation under the said section and schedule are confined to compounded patent, trade mark and proprietary medi-cines and to such compounded specifics and nedicinal remedies as are put up in packages ready for use by the consumer with-out the intervention of a physician or pharmacist. On the other hand it is held that the law does not tax medicinal preparations which are uncompounded, or which, in compounded, are put up under medical or pharmaceutical names for classification for the use of physicians in their trade.

Four Additional Regiments for Cuba WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- The Minne-waska and Manitoba will leave Havana tomorrow for Savannah and Charleston. Two regiments will leave Savannah for Cienfuegos and Matanzas by December 28 and it is hoped to get off one at least by the 26th ult. The Mobile is now at Savannah and will take the first regiment to move. It is hoped to put at least four additional regiments in Cuba by the first of the year.

Mobile Will Do for Transport. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- Major Hopkins, military aide to Secretary Alger, returned to Washington today from Cuba. He was sent by the secretary from Savannah to Havana with a view to reporting personally to the secretary on the adequacy of the Mobile for transport service. Major Hopkins thoroughly endorsed the reports on the vessel, which have already reached the department.

Sending Vurses to Cubs. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .-- The surgeon general will send six female trained purses to Cuba from New York tomorrow. They

are destined for the division hospital at Puerto Principe. Forty other female nurses vere started for Cuba December 16 and it is the intention to place 100 altogether with the division hospitals of the Seventh corps



WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- An evidence of brift in the Navy department is a general the order sent out today to all of the nine naval stations that the strictest economy is to be exercised in all expenditures of public money by the department's officers until anny of law and bigotry. further orders.

Seven New Postal Stations in Cuba. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- The postmaster general today announced the establishment of seven additional military postal stations in Cuba, as follows: Pinar del Rio, Guanajay, Mariel, Trinidad, Las Lunas, Sancti Spiritus and Cardenas.

Counterfeit Silver Certificate. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.-A new counter-teit silver \$1 certificate is discovered. It is of the series of 1896. Bruce registerer, Roberts treasurer, and apparently printed from photo-etched plates on heavy bond paper.

Daily Treasury Statement. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- Today's siate nent of the condition of the treasury abows: Available cash baladce, \$291,722,959; gold reserve, \$244,947,558.

Postoffee on Sunday: In order to accommodate the Omaha people who are expecting presents, the postoffee will open at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and remain open until the rush is over, instead of closing at 1 o'clock, as is the usual custom.

hand of Spain to again grasp the throats of ten millions of Filipinos, or to pass them over to the tender mercles of European govrnments would be inhuman and cowardly; t would be refusing the mission which providence has distinctly forced upon us. Then

again, as I said at the beginning, the colonial precedents of Rome and of modern nations o not apply. We must judge the future of the possessions not by the oppressions which they have suffered, but by the liberty which they will enjoy.

Object Lesson in Liberty. "General Wood, governing the province of

Santiago, gives an object lesson in Amerian liberty, law and opportunity. The most unsettled province in Cuba resumes all the arts of peace, as its people understand that they are to be protected in their persons and property and that as fast as they demonstrate capacity for self-government they will be advanced to positions in the civil and military service. We have the opinion of Dewey, one of the great men whom this war has developed, and of General Merritt, a wise observer, that when the inhabitants of the Philippine islands appreciate what American protection and law mean they will

become one of the most obedient, law-abiding and productive populations in the world.

'The vast trade of Cuba which heretofore went to Spain and to Europe will now come to us and be enormously increased by Americans, who will flock there with capital and energy. The development of the islands will necessarily be by leaps and bounds, because it deserves great progress by its location, its climate and the richness of its soil, its mineral possessions, its

forests and its title of "Gem of the An-tilles." The \$34,000,000 of exports from Porto Rico, of which all but \$4,000,000 have gone to Spain, will now come to us, enhanced many fold by American enterprise and immigration. The Philippines to the United States, like Java to Holland, under the inspiring influences of American opportunity, of American schools and American large source of revenue over and above the cost of administration for the United States.

Our government, firmly planted, will not only enter the "open door" of the Orient for products of our field and our factories. but when the great boot of Uncle Sam is put in the crack of the door which continental nations would close there will be

no musket jammed upon that boot to compel its withdrawal. "The question which has agaitated the schools, the philosophers and the thinkers of all ages has been how to live. The question which is most interesting for us on

this night preceding Christmas eve of 1898 is when to live. In a memorable conversation Mr. Gladstone said to me that of all of the world to have lived and worked he would select the last fifty years of his life, because it had been afty years of emancipation from the tyr-

"We, as Americans, have a wide choice of the periods in which we would have

chosen to pass our lives. The revolutionary time has its attractions, but its limitations in education, in the arts and inventions are fatal. The period of the civil war has the fascination of heroic deeds and exalted patriotism, but the limitations of the horrors of internecine war. The year 1898 has given to the American people the exaltation of patriotic fury and fervor to re-

lieve the sufferings of an oppressed and neighboring people. Proud Heritage of Americans. "The marvelous victories of the navy and

rmy, condensing into 100 days the struggle of 100 years for the overthrow of the co-Ionial tyranny of Snain, have antritualized as with that fire of brain and blood which

ame to the Greeks after Marathon, to the English after Agincourt, to Americans after the battle of Santiago. In 1898 we have become citizens of the world. We have become the foremost power.

"The boy at school has been wont for a half century to recite with & wonder and

is originally from Lewis county, New York. Most of his life since 1867 has been spent in prison. While in Auburn penitentiary badily treated and were generally "agin" pulled out most of his teeth to disguise the government. But after they had been himself.

For a Tour of the World.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 23 .- Thomas M Watson and his wife, who was Miss Emms Spreckels, daughter of the sugar king, are completing arrangements for an extended tour of the world. While their trip will b one of pleasure and business combined, the chief object Mr. Watson has in view is the acquisi on of property valued at £9,000,000. He has in his possession papers which he show him to be entitled to abo

half of the town of Carlisle, England. Troublesome Turk Disposed Of.

turned to Washington today after being CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 23 .- Ghant Bey the guest of honor here last night at the the sultan's alde-de-camp, was murdered New England banquet. The Commercialyesterday by Hafuz Pasha in a quarrel. Tribune today has the following interview Ghani Bey became notorious owing to his with him: lawiess proceedings in Epirus. He also inspired terror here by extorting money under threats of death. The officials of the foreign embassies have frequently demanded the Wednesday, General Miles said: punishment of Ghani Bey, but always unsuccessfully.

### Not Guilty of Murder.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Isidor Lorber, who surrendered himself to the police in San Francisco and is now being held for the New York authorities, probably will be released. The police state that all that Lorber did was to desert his wife and there is no sus pleion that Lorber had anything to do with her death, which occurred three days after know." his departure. Lorber heard that he was wanted for murder and gave himself up in in Cuba?" San Francisco.

Hitt May Go to Russia.

NEW YORK. Dec. 23.-A dispatch to the Press from Washington seys: The indica-tions are that Robert E. Hitt of Illinois, Rico, as I indicated in my testimony." chairman of the house foreign affairs com-mittee has been asked to accept the amwas established in Cuba?" bassadorship to Russia by the president. Senator Cullom recently recommended Mr. at Jacksonville." portunity, of American schools and American Hitt for the British post. This is of im-hope, will be an immense market and a portance, as an indication that Mr. Hitt is illing to leave congress to enter the diplo matic service. terday?"

Suspicious Death of Rigo

LORAIN O., Dec. 23 .- John Loren's resday. There were several boarders in the house, all escaping except John Rigo, a man whose home was in Chicago. His body was found after the fire had been extinguished and the condition of the body is such as to lead to the suspicion of murder and the firing of the building to cover the orime Three men are under arrest.

Survey Line to Oklahoma City. FORT WORTH. Tex. Dec. 23 .- A corps paring this beef?" of Denver and Fort Worth civil engineers left here this morning for Quanah, Tex., for the purpose of making a survey for a line to Oklahoma City. The project is to connect with the 'Frisco, giving direct com-munication with St. Louis. It is reported that the Fort Worth & Denver Railway company is fostering the scheme.

First Texas Sails

SAVANNAH. Ga., Dec. 23 .- The headquarters and one battalion of the First Texas regiment, together with Colonel Wheaton's headquarters, sailed for Cuba this afternoon on the transport Michigan. The other two battalions of the First Texas and the Second Louisiana regiment leave tomorrow on the

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Identity.

Identity. .Detroit Journai: Seizing her by her lovely hair, he hastily dragged her into a shadowy corner, where they might not be observed by the merry dancers. "You seem quite yourself!" he whispered. The woman laughed the loud musical laugh she had learned at college. "No, this is a class of mistaken identity!" she protested, languidly. He had thought she wore her heart pinned to her sleeve; but now he perceived it was her dance program.

dance program

What was more, she had no sleeve

New York. The men were in a very run-Grave Conditions on Border Unless down condition and thought they had been the Agreement is Renewed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- The State department has not been advised of the renursed and fed a bit they felt more kindly orted negotiation of an extradition treaty toward the administration. He thought their between the United States and Mexico, and first complaints were due to a distorted unless some steps are taken speedily looking mental perspective that should be largely to the replacement of the present treaty. which is just about to expire, the conditions The examination then adjourned until will be very grave on the border. Minister Clayton was empowered some time ago to ascertain the position of the Mexican gov-SPOILED BEEF FOR THE ARMY ernment in this matter, although not ex plicitly authorized to negotiate a treaty. Immense Consignments Reached th But the Mexican government apparently pre-CINCINNATI, Dec. 23 .- General Miles re-

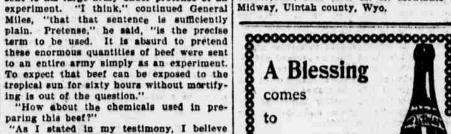
J. C. Akolt. W. Fitzgerald. John Mergen. Frank Peterson. ferred to deal indirectly with the authorities in Washington, for the last development was Fred Peterson. an instruction to Minister Romero here to open negotiations with the State depart-

Promotions in the Navy. When asked as to the investigation into WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- The retirement the beef ration scandal he is now making, of Admiral Bunce next Sunday will result to which he referred in his testimony in the promotion of the following named fficers: Commodore Albert Kautz, to be picions were aroused several months ago admiral; Captain Frederick R. Rogers, to and I at once instituted an investigation be commodore: Commander W. W. White, 'to into the matter of sending beef to the army be captain: Lieutenant Commander C. C. in the West Indies. The item in my testi-Cornwall, to be commander; Lieutenant M. mony of Wednesslay, relating to 327 tons of A. Hall, to be lieutenant commander; lieurefrigerator beef and 198,000 pounds of tenant junior grade, T. C. Fenton, to be canned fresh beef which was unfit for food lieutenant and Ensign L. A. Kalser, to be was only an item. This quantity was sent leutenant, junior grade. Admiral Bunce. to one town in Porto Rico alone. How though going on the retired list Sunday, will much more was sent to Porto Rico I do not be retained in command of the New York Navy yard for some time by express orders "How about the beef supply for the army of the secretary.

ment.

"It was just as bad. The conditions there Corbin Home for the Holidays. were no better than they were in Porto WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- Adjutant Gen ral Corbin has gone to New York to spend "How about rations before the army em-Christmas with his daughter. He expects to barked? Was the supply no better before return next Tuesday, and, in his absence, it the transports sailed than after the army is improbable that any action will be taken oward selecting the volunteer regiments "It was the same at Tampa and the same which are to be mustered out of the service.

Pertaining to Postoffices. "Will you give a little more light or WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- (Special Telewhat you meant by this assertion in your gram.)-Henry C. Merriam was today aptestimony before the War commission yescointed postmaster at Coggon, Linn county, Ia., and T. H. Burton at New York, Wayne General Miles, suggested that the food was sent to his large army under pretense of an county, Ia.; also Mrs. M. H. McGinnis at Midway, Uintah county, Wyo.



that the action of these chemicals was largely responsible for the sickness in the army. I have medical authority for this statement and I believe it to be true." "How far along has your own investigation into this subject progressed ?"

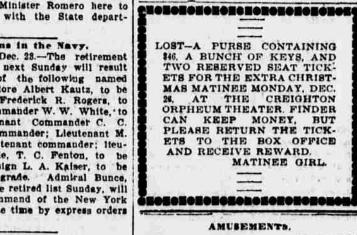
"It began several months ago. I have the testimony of a large number of officers upon this matter, some of which I gave in my testimony before the commission yesterday My inquiry is still in progress and some of the most important information I have received has been acquired in the last few days."

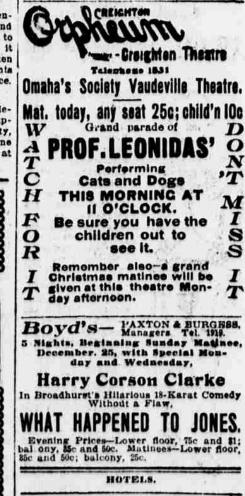
"What channel will this investigation take upon its conclusion ?"

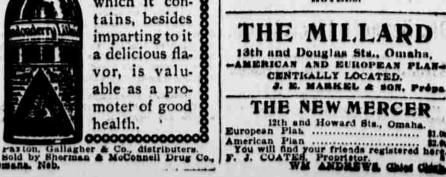
"I will not discuss that. It is my duty to investigate any wrong existing in the army, and that I am now doing in the regular military manner. The work is not completed yet, and until it is done I will have nothing to add to the statement I made be fore the war commission yesterday."

"What was the matter with the tents?" "There were not enough of them: they were not suited to stand the wear and some of them were poor."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23 .- In view of the fact that fraud has been discovered in connection with the cancellation of documentary







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