Colon, Jan. 20 .- The gunboat General

Pinzon has arrived here, bringing troops

from Bocas Del Toro and Coele. The

The government is taking vigorous

Washington, Jan. 20.-Neither the

state por navy department expect there

isthmus as the result of today's battle

In Panama bay, Should such danger

arise men will be landed from the cruis-

The Lautaro's Arrival.

New York, Jan. 20 .- The steamship

a despatch received early this morn-

ing, arrived in port yesterday with

added: "The vessel will probably leave

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soon. Guns from the Colombian war-

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er Philadelphia.

steps to defend Panama and Colon.

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## MAVAL BATTLE IN PANAMA BAY; FIVE VESSELS REPORTED SUNK

Among Them the Lautaro-Alban said to be Among the Dead--Insurgents Landing Forces—Vigorous Steps to Defend Panama and Colon.

New York, Jan. 20. The Panama Rail- They fell close to the Padilla, which is way company today received a cablegram from Colon saying that three insurgent and two government vessels had been sunk in the naval engagement in Panama harbor. The cablegram phia, is close to the scene of the fig:hcame from Col. J. R. Shaler, general ing. superintendent at Colon for the Panama Railway company.

Colon, Columbia, Jan. 20.—A naval dated Panama, today: battle, which was begun at 6 o'clock this morning, is in progress in the har- Evcitement great." bor of Panama. The revolutionary fleet consists of the steamers Padilla, Darien landing off Sacana.

an line steamer Lautaro, the Pacific confirming the reported naval engage- trouble with the Chilean government, Steam Navigation Company's steamer ment in Panama bay between Colum- says a Herald Colon correspondent, in Chicuito and the Panama Canal com- bian insurgent and government vessels. pany's steamer Boyaca. The first The despatch adds that the steamship steamer was seized by Gen. Alban and Lautare and another government vessel the Columbian government.

she has answered with several shots, adds:

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PRINCE ASSURED PROTEC-

TION AT CHICAGO

Prince Henry has caused much activi-

surance is given of adequate protection

Chicago will be eliminated from the

The mayor assured the consul that

sufficient protection would be accorded

that the anarchists are planning a dem-

GOVETAFT ARRIVES

San Francisco, Jan. 20 .- The trans-

port Grant with Governor Taft aboard

arrived from the Philippines tonight.

Havana, Jan. 20 .- Neely's testimony

finished the postal fraud trials to-

day. Neely was a frank and ready

witness and answered all questions in

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threats against the prince.

Prince's itinerary.

was some anxiety.

PRINCE HENRY'S VISIT

ANARCHISTS OBJECT TO

seen to be retiring. The guns of Las Bovedas are also firing at the rebel ships. The government forces are throwing up entrenchments. The United States Cruiser Philadel-

Washington, Jan. 20.-The state department has received the following cablegram from Consul-General Gudger. will be any interruption of traffic at the

"Fighting in bay. Governor killed.

New York, Jan. 20 .- Officials of the and Gaitan. They are trying to force a Pavonia Steamship company here this afternoon received a despatch from the The government ships are the Chile- superintendent of the company at Colon Chautaro, whose seizure has caused

the other two have been chartered by and three insurgent vessels are reported sunk and insurgents were landing ship Gen. Pinzon have been placed on As this despatch is sent three shots at the time of the sending of the dehave just passed over the Chicuito and spatch, at Savannah. The despatch campaign against the insurgent war

## SKINNER AND KEITH WILL BE APPOINTED

SELL DECLINES THE

Chicago, Jan. 20.—The coming visit of Special to the Gazette. Washington, Jan. 20.-The promised fight over the district attorneyship did ty among anarchists. Editors and not come off today. Mr. Bernard with-drew from the contest and informed the president, to whom he and his friends writers of anarchist papers are voicing The German consul today visited the were introduced by Senator Pritchard, mayor and informed him that the that he would no longer stand in the

of the anarchists and that unless as-ment of Harry Skinner.

The contest over Wilmington collectorship had a quiet ending. Ex-Vov. Russell announced that he did not care to accept the office and joined in the general endorsement of Mr. Keith.

prince Henry. It was admitted today Laffan News Bureau Report. Washington, Jan. 20.-Ex-Congressman Skinner, who is to be appointed Urited States attorney of the eastern district of North Carolina at the expiration of the term of the present incumbent, it developes owes his selection to the recommendation of Senator Pritchard, in return for Skinner's action in leading the bolt of eighteen populists to Pritchard's support in the She was two days overdue and there legislature in 1896. As an acknowledgement of Skinner's services Pritchard told him if at any time he wished any office within his reach, he need only to call for it. Recently Skinner applied to Pritchard for endorsement for the office to which he is to be appointed, reminding him of his promise. The senator immediately recommended Skinner, not withstanding that Bernard, the present incumbent, was endorsed for re-appointment by the re-

#### REPRESENTATIVE CLARK PLEADS FOR ECONOMY

publican organization.

Washington, Jan. 20 .- The house to-CHINESE SOLDIERS day debated the urgent deficiency bill. Pekin. Jan. 20.-Bishop Bermyn of the The principal speeches today were made western mongolian mission has written by Cannon, Clark and DeArmond. The that two presidents were murdered on first named declared it was the intenthe night of December 13 at Pinglo tion of the United States to hold the by a band of soldiers and Mahometans | Philippines for ever and a day, which Clark pronounced the most melancholy utterance he had ever heard on the

Clark pleaded for economy in federal For one week-this week only-all pictures in our art room at three- expense. He opposed the appropriation fourths price. This is the last of the of \$40,000 to entertain Prince Henry. Destock taking sale. J. H. Law, 35 Patarmond argued against the continued occupation of the Philippines.

in the Senate.

Washington, Jan. 20 .- The session of he senate today was somewhat protracted, but aside from the discussion May help you more of the bill to establish a department of excellent neighborhood, for than you think possible. commerce and the bill temporarily pro-Come to us before it is viding revenue for the Philippines, \$5,000. This is a very atnothing of importance transpired. too late. It may soon save you lots of trouble

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#### BERNARD WITHDRAWS AND RUS- TUNNELED THEIR WAY FROM A CELL TO LIBERTY-ELEVEN ESCAPED. COLLECTORSHIP.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 20.-Eleven of the most desperate prisoners in the United States penitentiary on McNeil's island made their escape between I and 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. It was the most caring and successful jailprince's friends are thoroughly afraid way of Senator Prince's endorse- break ever attempted in this state

A hole in the brick wall of cell No. 10, occupied by convicts Snyder and Davis, reveals the method of escape. The wall is about a foot in thickness and the floor of the cell is of equal thickness, covered with cement.

The tunnel was at the junction of the wall and the floor, sloping outwardly if he persisted in preaching his docuntil it formed a connection with the air chamber about two feet below and a foot outwardly from the coridor wall of the cell. The prisoners crawled out forty feet to where it opened into the boiler room, the opening being covered by an iron grating. The obstacle was overcome by the use of saws and the prisoners had then only to walk out of the back door of the boiler room, across the yard and scale the board

One by one the men slipped into cell No. 10, and crawled through the hole unnoticed. When the guards came out and lined the prisoners up for dinner eleven were missing. A brief search resulted in finding the hole in the wall and the guard at once ran to the boiler room, where the steel door swung on its hinges, showing that the men had already flown. Warden Palmer does not think that the prisoners secured more

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amendment to the address in reply to surrendered but the leaders would be berlain declared that England must re- | tlement would be less hard than that main firm, that Rosebery was mistaken imposed on the south by the northern to them. They had rejected them and be no general confiscation of property. to offer them again would be bad di- He instanced many indications that the plomacy and encourage the Boers to Boers were already inclined towards a "Report that Alban is killed cannot continue the struggle. There would be settlement.

London, Jan. 20.—Debating the extensive amnesty offered to those who the king's speech this evening Cham- banished. He declared that the setwhen he same that the terms formerly states at the termination of the civil offered to the Boers were still open war in the United States. There would

He at once sent a squad of guards in ing several feet to the ground. The pursuit and made a tour of the island, fire companies were soon on hand and notifying the farmers of the escape and extinguished the fire, which had originstructing them to guard their boats inated from a stove flue which ran

make a thorough investigation, but is: unable to realize how the work could have been done without detection.

The plan which is most feared will be pursued by the convicts will be to By Asheville Chapter, U. D. C. Yes raid some of the numerous farmhouses on the island, secure guns, clothes and a boat and then row to the mainland.

Tacoma, Wash., Jan. 20 .- A large armed force is patrolling McNeils isand in search of eleven desperate convicts who escaped last night. Counterfeiter Frank Moran, sentenced to eight Gen. Allan on board. The despatch years, was captured last night as he was trying to leave the island. Up to Smith. this evening no others have been discovered. It is certain they have not the Lautare, which will be used in the left the island.

The posse has orders to shoot and kill if any convict discovered refuses to surrender. The island is densely timbered, excepting a rew cultivated patches. Thirty-three farmers live on the island, but all are badly scared and have barricaded their homes for fear the convicts will endeavor to rob them.

### MEETING STAMPEDED BY ALARM OF FIRE

Much excitement was caused begween 8 and 9 o'clock Sunday night by a fire at the Riverside church, on Buxton street, which is being used as a mission chapel. For some days past there has been a revival of religion going on at this church, conducted by a young minister named Miller. It is said by some of those who have been attending these meetings that the stranger preacher has been advocating and preaching the doctrine of sanctification, which doctrine, it seems, is not well received by some of the people of the locality, although the meetings have been well attended. It is also said that this new preacher has been threatened with violence and a destruction of the church trine therein. This rumor is given for

Sunday night the house was crowded, and while the preacher was in midst of his discourse some one from the outside began knocking on the window, which disturbed the congregathat the interruption on the outside was caused by some drunk men and begged the audience to keep quiet. About this time a crowd rushed against the door and broke it open, crying

A stampede followed, and in a ruen for the door men and women were run over and trampled down. One man in a scramble for his hat on the floor was trampled under foot, receiving slight njuries on the hand.

The rush was so great at the door that rapid exit could not be had and windows were pulled out on either side



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than 10 or 20 minutes the start of them. through which a number plunged, fallcarefully so that no opportunity would damage to the building is estimated at be allowed for escape. from \$40 to \$50 occasioned by the de-Warden Palmer has not had time to struction of window lights and frames.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

terday Afternoon

The annual meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy was held yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. J. P. Sawyer. The following officers were

President Mrs. S. R. Keppler. First vice president, Mrs. H. Red-Second vicepresident, Mrs. Owen

Secretary, Mrs. Berkeley Cain. Corresponding secretary, Miss Willie

Treasurer, Mrs. Jones. The ladies of Asheville chapter have undertaken to furnish a room at the soldiers' home in Raleigh, and have already forwarded \$5 to be used toward this purpose.

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