

# WORK OF CONGRESS

Washington, Jan. 19.—For an hour yesterday Mr. Wellington of Maryland occupied the attention of the senate, continuing the debate on the Philippine question. He took as his text the resolution he introduced last Tuesday providing that the United States should not take permanent possession of the archipelago, but after subduing the insurrection, which he sincerely deplored, should confer upon the Filipino the right to govern themselves, offering them such protection as they might need.

Mr. Teller of Colorado resumed his speech on the financial bill, in the course of which he arraigned Secretary Clegg for his negotiations with the National City Bank of New York. He had not concluded his remarks when he suspended for the day.

**The House.**  
The house passed the senate bill extending the powers of the director of the census, after striking out the committee amendment to authorize the director to contract for extra printing with private contractors. The whole fight was upon the amendment. The influence of the public printer and the labor organizations of the country were employed against it, and after a debate of several hours it was overwhelmingly defeated. The publication of the bulletins of the census will be made by the public printer as in the past.

Washington, Jan. 20.—A speech, sensational in its interest and international in its importance, was delivered in the senate yesterday by Mr. Hale of Maine. The occasion of the utterance was the simple question whether a Nebraska calling for information as to whether any representative of the Transvaal had applied to the United States government for recognition, and if such application had been made, if it had been accepted, and if not, why not, should be directed to the president or to the secretary of state.

Mr. Hale made the question the text of an impassioned speech in which he declared that nineteenth-century American people sympathized with the Boers in their gallant struggle for liberty against one of the greatest powers in the world. He declared that "the war which Great Britain is waging is the most foul blow at human liberty that has been struck in the century." He denied that the American people "were in sympathy with Great Britain in the South African war to stamp out the liberty of a people," and when Mr. Balfour, in the house of commons, made such a statement "he should be met with some disclaimer from this side of the Atlantic." He declared that the British people themselves were not in favor of the war which "had been brought on by a sharp cabinet minister engaged with gold speculators." Mr. Hale spoke with unusual force, decisiveness and earnestness, even for him, and his passionate eloquence claimed the closest attention of every auditor.

The resolution which prevails to Mr. Hale's speech induced a sharp colloquy between Mr. Allen and Mr. Spooner, was passed finally as amended. The amendment directs it to the president.

Mr. Morgan of Alabama addressed the senate briefly on the financial bill.

**The House.**  
The pension appropriation bill, carrying \$145,245,250, was passed by the house yesterday. It was made the vehicle of an attack upon the commissioner of pensions by Mr. Curtis of Kansas, who was seconded by Mr. Lantz and Mr. Norton of Ohio and Mr. Robinson of Indiana and other Northern Democrats. All inveighed against the lack of liberality in the administration of the pension laws. The commissioner was ably defended by a score of members from both sides of the house. Mr. Mahon of Ohio charged that the assault upon him had been instigated by the "pension sharks" of this city who were robbing the old soldiers. As a result of the latter's disclosures a rider was put upon the bill by unanimous consent empowering the commissioner, in his discretion, to withhold the fees of attorneys of record in pension cases where he was satisfied that the attorneys had not prepared the cases under their personal supervision.

Washington, Jan. 22.—When the house met Saturday Mr. Taylor of Ohio, chairman of the special committee to investigate the case of Representative-elect B. H. Roberts, presented the majority report in favor of the exclusion of Mr. Roberts, and gave notice that he would call the case up on Tuesday. Mr. Littlefield of Maine presented the minority report in favor of seating Mr. Roberts and then expelling him. The minority report was signed by Mr. Littlefield, Rep., and Mr. De Armond, Dem. Five thousand copies of the reports were ordered printed for general distribution. Mr. Roberts was in his seat during these proceedings, but made no effort to address the house.

Washington, Jan. 23.—Yesterday was another day of oratory in the senate, little business beyond routine being transacted. Mr. Pritchard of North Carolina delivered a long and carefully prepared address upon the race question in the South, his remarks being addressed particularly against the proposed amendment to the constitution of North Carolina, which, if enacted, he said, would disfranchise a large class of voters, both white and black. He was followed by Mr. Turner of Washington in a speech on the Philippine question in which he arraigned the administration's policy as set out in the president's message and in the speech of Mr. Beveridge. Mr. Turner was given close attention by his colleagues.

**The House.**  
The house was in session only forty minutes yesterday and nothing of public interest was done except to refer to the speaker for settlement a dispute between the appropriations and military affairs committees over the question of estimates for the manufacture of small arms at Rock Island and Springfield arsenals. A few District of Columbia bills of minor importance were passed.

Washington, Jan. 24.—Yesterday was an oratorical field day in the house over the case of Brigham Roberts, the Mor-

mon representative from Utah. The galleries were packed to suffocation, chiefly with women, and the spectators after listening attentively to the arguments of Mr. Taylor of Ohio and Mr. Littlefield of Maine, for the adoption of the majority and minority reports respectively of the special committee that investigated the case, remained long after nightfall to hear the impassioned words of the accused as he faced the house, like an animal at bay, knowing that every hand was raised against him. Mr. Roberts was very adroit in the handling of his case, and at times exceedingly dramatic. Taking advantage of the issue raised by the division in the committee as to the method of ousting him, he appropriated to himself the argument of the minority that he was constitutionally entitled to be sworn in and the argument of the majority, that once sworn in he could not be expelled. He defended the action of the mormons in fighting the authority of the United States for years, because they believed that settlement would change, and dramatically stated that in those days he would rather have his flesh hewn from his bones than to have renounced his religious tenets. He concluded with an elaborate peroration, in which he said he had never been conscious of a shameful act, and if he was sent forth he would go with head erect and undaunted brow. Strange to say most of the applause he won was from women. But while they appeared to be his only partisans, other women manifested their bitter hostility by hissing him at every opportunity. The speech made by Mr. Littlefield, in defense of the minority proposition to seat and then expel Mr. Roberts, was a masterful effort and stamped him as one of the coming men of the house. The manner in which he tore some of the arguments of the majority into shreds jumped him into the front rank of debaters in the house. The speech made a deep impression. In fact, it is predicted by many members that the majority resolutions for exclusion cannot carry.

Mr. Lacey of Iowa has a proposition which he will submit to expel Mr. Roberts by a two-thirds vote without seating him which will have supporters, and this may lead to a compromise proposition. Miss Roberts, daughter of Mr. Roberts, was in the reserved gallery throughout the debate. The debate will close Thursday at 4:30.

**The Senate.**  
Again yesterday the senate's session was devoted entirely to speechmaking. Mr. Turner of Washington concluded his address upon the Philippine question. He was followed by Mr. Ross of Vermont with a thoughtful and carefully prepared speech in which he also discussed the Philippine question in connection with the resolutions he had offered. His presentation of the question was given thoughtful attention by his colleagues. Mr. McEnery of Louisiana delivered the concluding speech of the session on the race question in the South. He took strong ground in support of the constitution of Louisiana and the proposed amendment to the constitution of North Carolina, which, it is alleged, will disfranchise a large class of voters.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The second day's debate in the house upon the Roberts case was less dramatic than that of Tuesday. The galleries were almost as crowded, but the ladies were less demonstrative. Mr. Roberts was not present during the day. Had he been he would have heard the most scathing exhortation of the mormons ever delivered upon the floor of the house. Mr. Landis of Indiana, the young orator who distinguished himself during the last congress in an oratorical duel with Mr. Johnston of his state, won new laurels yesterday. He charged that Utah had been admitted to the Union as a result of a Mormon conspiracy, and reviewed the history of the apostles of the church, whom he charged with living in open and flagrant violation of the statute against polygamy to show that they had basely broken their solemn pledge to the government. The other speakers were Messrs. Power of Vermont and Miers of Indiana for the majority resolutions; Messrs. Snodgrass of Tennessee and Wilson of Idaho, for the minority resolutions; Mr. Lacey of Iowa for his proposition to expel Mr. Roberts for exclusion by a two-thirds majority. The speeches greatly strengthened the majority resolutions, and seemed in danger of falling after Mr. Littlefield's speech Tuesday, and Chairman Taylor was confident last night that they would be adopted when the house votes this afternoon.

**The Senate.**  
Routine business occupied the attention of the senate yesterday in a brief session. The resolution offered Tuesday by Mr. Pettigrew calling upon the president for information regarding the treaty entered into with the sultan of Sulu was passed after Mr. Pettigrew had made an attack upon the administration for entering into an agreement which he said authorized slavery. An extended debate was precipitated by a conference report on the census administrative bill, but the census committee gained its point and the measure was sent back to conference.

**She Hit The Pipe.**  
Young Girl Dies From The Effects of Opium Smoking.  
Philadelphia, Jan. 23.—May Bibeaux, aged nineteen years, died in a hospital yesterday from the effects of opium smoking, and seven persons are under arrest awaiting the coroner's investigation. While at a house in Chinatown the girl was induced to smoke opium. Shortly afterward she became violently ill and was removed to the hospital where death ensued.

**He Was Forgiven.**  
Somerset, Pa., Jan. 26.—Samuel Peter Mayers, convicted of the murder of Michael Karney and John Lenhart, was hanged here. The widow of one of the murdered men visited Mayers and granted him forgiveness.

**Gets A Life Sentence.**  
Indianapolis, Jan. 26.—At the criminal court Charles Smith, who killed his wife, May Smith, last September, pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree. He was sentenced to state prison for life.

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# News of the Northwest

## DIPHTHERIA EPIDEMIC.

**Two Score Cases and Ten Deaths in a Russian Settlement.**  
Dr. H. D. Quarry of Grand Forks, superintendent of the state board of health, was in Jamestown recently on his return from a visit to the Lowery settlement, in the northern part of Stutsman county, where diphtheria prevails. He states that there are no cases whatever at Carrington, and none along the line of the Northern Pacific. The epidemic is confined to the Russian settlement twenty-five miles west and south of Carrington. There have been, in all, thirty-nine cases and ten deaths, one an adult. Quarantine has been enforced as far as possible.

**SHAFT HOUSE AND TRESTLE.**  
Contracts for \$165,000 Worth of Steel Structure Awarded.

Houghton, Mich., Jan. 20.—The Wisconsin Bridge and Iron Works of Milwaukee has taken a contract to build a new shaft house at No. 7 shaft of the Quincy mine for \$30,000, the work to begin next month. Also to build a \$20,000 trestle crossing for the South Shore railroad tracks for a railway connecting Isle Royal mine and mill. This makes a total of \$165,000 worth of steel structures for copper country mines contracted for already this year by this one concern.

**Masonic Grand Officers.**  
St. Paul, Jan. 20.—The grand lodge, A. F. & A. M., concluded its business and adjourned after the election of the following officers: Grand master, Alonzo Brandenburg, Ferguson Falls; deputy grand master, Ambrose D. Countryman, Appleton; senior grand warden, Gid S. Ives, St. Peter; junior grand warden, Henry R. Adams, Minneapolis; grand treasurer, J. H. Thompson, Minneapolis; grand secretary, Thomas Montgomery, St. Paul.

**Mills Acquired of Murder.**  
Salt Lake, Utah, Jan. 23.—Capt. F. J. Mills, former lieutenant governor of Idaho, was acquitted of the charge of murder. The jury was out only a quarter of an hour, just long enough to elect a foreman and take a ballot. Capt. Mills killed John C. O'Melveny, chief engineer of the Oregon Short Line, in this city on Oct. 30 last. The evidence showed that O'Melveny had seduced Mills' wife and the killing followed.

**Stolen Money Found.**  
Sioux Falls, S. D., Jan. 23.—The \$500 in gold which disappeared in so mysterious a manner from R. R. Humphrey's bank at Willow Lakes, the other day during business hours, has been discovered on the floor beneath a bookcase standing near the vault from which the money was taken. The identity of the person who took the money from the vault and hid it where it has been discovered, is yet shrouded in mystery.

**A Montana Murder.**  
Helena, Mont., Jan. 23.—John Whitworth, a shepherd, is in jail at White Sulphur Springs to answer to the charge of murdering William Cameron. The crime is alleged to have been committed early in the week in a remote section of Meagher county during a dispute over some land in litigation. Whitworth struck Cameron on the head with a club.

**Ice for North Dakota.**  
Detroit, Minn., Jan. 23.—John K. West, during last week a special train of twenty cars of ice to Grand Forks, N. D., making over 300 tons in the shipment. Mr. West is supplying the Northern Pacific with all their ice for the divisions east of Mandan, and is trying to induce the North Dakota ice men to supply themselves with the pure lake ice from the Detroit lakes.

**Assault Fiend Apprehended.**  
Grand Meadow, Minn., Jan. 25.—Lee Magary was brought before Justice Russell yesterday on a warrant charging him with criminal assault on young girls. He waived an examination and was bound over to the spring term of court. He has been making himself a terror to all the young girls of town, and parents have been watching him to get sufficient evidence to convict.

**Hurt in a Rabbit Hunt.**  
Granite Falls, Minn., Jan. 23.—An exciting rabbit hunt took place here, but which proved to be of serious consequence to one of the participants, J. W. Marshall, principal of the public schools. While at full speed after a rabbit, his horse fell upon his leg, breaking the bone just below the knee.

**Champion Egg-Eater.**  
Lawler, Iowa, Jan. 23.—Hugh Vesperis of this place, on a wager, was to eat forty raw eggs in twelve minutes. When he got through he found that the number had been raised so that he had eaten forty-eight raw eggs in nine minutes and a half.

**Ranches Burned.**  
Great Falls, Mont., Jan. 25.—A report reaches this city of a destructive fire in Teton county that destroyed ten square miles of range and burned four ranches. The loss is estimated at many thousands of dollars.

**Gave a Trust Deed.**  
Waterbury, S. D., Jan. 25.—A. C. Gilruth, owner of a large department store here, made a trust deed to George Partridge, of Wynam, Partridge & Co. of Minneapolis. The extent of the liabilities will reach \$65,000.

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## DEPUTY WITH A GUN.

**He Instantly Kills One Cowboy and Wounds Another.**  
Cuthbertson, Mont., Jan. 25.—A shooting affray took place here between several cowboys and Deputy Sheriff John P. Eder, in which Holan Armstrong was instantly killed and Tommy Reid was shot in the face. Cowboys were "smoking up" the town, and the deputy sheriff attempted to arrest Armstrong, who fired at him, the bullet passing through Eder's hat, one through his coat, one grazed his right shoulder and one struck the butt of his gun.

**TRAIN ROBBERS, TAKE NOTICE.**  
Death Penalty of Life Imprisonment in Iowa.  
Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 25.—Senator McIntyre of Ottumwa, yesterday introduced in the upper house of the legislature a bill fixing penalties for the crime of holding up or robbing trains. It provides that any person who takes part in holding up or stopping a train, to rob the passengers, express or mail cars, shall, on conviction, be sentenced to either the death penalty or to imprisonment for life. Representative Kendall of Albia presented in the house a bill to reduce the legal rate of interest in Iowa. The present law makes 6 per cent the legal rate, with 8 per cent the highest rate allowed by contract. The new measure is to make 5 per cent the legal and 7 per cent the contract rate.

**INDIANS MAY VOTE.**  
According to the Decision of a Circuit Judge in Wisconsin.  
Appleton, Wis., Jan. 25.—In the Outagamie circuit court yesterday a decision was rendered by Judge Goodland confirming the right of Oneida Indians residing on allotted lands in the reservation partly in the Outagamie county, to vote at the general elections. The case was that of Leslie Wiedlock, an Oneida Indian, against James Garvey, election inspector in the town of Freedom, for damages for refusing to accept his vote at the voting precinct of that town. Two acts of congress passed a number of years ago gave the Indians the right of franchise as soon as their lands were allotted to them. The decision guarantees to Oneida Indians holding allotted lands the right to vote hereafter at general elections.

**GRAIN GROWERS CONVENTION.**  
E. W. Randall of Minnesota Elected President.  
 Fargo, N. D., Jan. 25.—The second annual session of the tri-state grain growers' convention convened here yesterday morning with a large attendance from North and South Dakota and Western Minnesota. E. W. Randall of Hamline, Minn., secretary of the Minnesota State Fair association, was chosen president, and Maj. E. Fleming of Fargo, secretary. After invocation by Dr. Dudley, of the Congregational church, Mayor Johnson welcomed the delegates. Papers were read by Former Secretary Worst, H. R. Shellenberger and B. F. Clayton.

**Fire Destroys Store and Merchandise Valued at \$200,000.**  
Stephen, Minn., Jan. 25.—Fire broke out here in McMahon's large general store. The firemen responded promptly and worked nobly, but it was doomed from the first, but by great effort the adjoining buildings were saved. Loss about \$200,000; insurance, \$12,000. Origin of fire unknown.

**Elevator Damaged by Fire.**  
Benton, Minn., Jan. 25.—Fire was discovered in the top of the farmers' elevator. Flames were bursting through the roof when the fire company arrived, but by superhuman effort, the elevator ceased in getting the conflagration under control by the time the main part of the building was reached. Origin of the fire is unknown. The damage to the building is about \$6,000. It contained 15,000 bushels of wheat, which was completely deluged by water.

**Accidentally Shot.**  
Prentice, Wis., Jan. 25.—Archie Hall, at Catawba, ten miles west of here, was accidentally shot by his roommate with a .32-caliber revolver, the ball entering his mouth, splitting his tongue and lodging in the back of his neck. Dr. Ellis was called but was unable to locate the ball, and says the X-ray will be necessary. Mr. Hall was taken to Barron, where his parents reside.

**No More Men for Manila.**  
San Francisco, Jan. 25.—Word has been received from the war department by the officers at the Presidio that no more enlisted men of the volunteer regiments would be sent to Manila. All those who are from sickness or other causes are here awaiting transportation will be discharged from the service.

**Strike in Wyo., Jan. 25.**—The strike of the boiler-makers and machinists in the Union Pacific shops was settled yesterday when the company granted the men 34 cents per hour. The men struck for 35 cents and were out a month.

**Spoilt The Safe.**  
Yankton, S. D., Jan. 25.—The store of J. T. Douthett, implement dealer at Volin, S. D., was broken into and the safe was blown to pieces. Only a small amount of money was secured. No trace of the thieves.

**Old Soldier's Horrible Death.**  
Armour, S. D., Jan. 25.—Barney Clark, an old soldier and a resident of the ceded portion of the Yankton reservation, was found in the ruins of his house, burned to death. He had been on a three days' drunk.

# MINNESOTA ITEMS

The coming poultry show at St. Paul promises to break all records.

The president has nominated Eli Warner of St. Paul to be surveyor general of Minnesota.

Peter Lallier, seventy-six years old, wants a divorce from his wife of a year, at St. Paul.

Government officials are preparing the furniture specifications for the new federal building at St. Paul.

Angered by the court's decision in a damage suit, James Welch tried to shoot Judge Lochren in St. Paul.

Ben Waterhouse of Stove Prairie, was killed by the bursting of a balance wheel of a wood saw while standing on the power.

The jury in the district court at Crookston awarded Laura Swanby \$1,000 in her breach of promise case against Grant Olson.

A national bank, with a capital of \$50,000, has been organized at Slayton, with B. I. Weld, president, C. H. Murdoch, vice president, and I. A. Hoover, cashier.

K. O. Bogart, father of O. K. Bogart, deputy clerk of the district court, died while on his way to the Crookston market with a load of wheat. He was seventy years of age.

Mrs. Cordelia Frank died at Hastings of chronic bronchitis, aged sixty-three years. She leaves four sons and three daughters, one of the latter being the wife of Ald. E. E. Tuttle.

Dennis Cahill, an old soldier and an old resident of Minnesota, died at the age of eighty-four at the Soldiers' Home, of which he had been an inmate for the last few months.

The Charles Becher Lumber company has decided to rebuild the saw mill at Red Wing which burned last December. Work will begin at once. The mill will probably cost \$35,000.

In the probate court at Crookston, a petition was heard praying that a guardian be appointed for Lena Smith, nee Hanson. The grounds alleged are the incompetency of the lady to manage her own property.

Walter Arnold of St. Cloud, who so severely burned himself several weeks ago by an explosion of gasoline, has recovered sufficiently to be able to feed himself. He is slowly regaining the use of his hands and is improving nicely.

The Duluth Democratic city convention nominated Henry Truelson to succeed himself as mayor, and the Populists also nominated him after a warm contest. If elected next month, it will be Truelson's third term. The Republican candidate is T. W. Hugo.

Patrick Doyle, a farmer living near Verdala, lost his home by fire. He has a partial insurance. Mr. Doyle has a large family, twenty-one children in all, fourteen of whom are at home, and it makes it a little inconvenient for him at this season of the year.

Samuel H. Spitzer was arrested on the complaint of E. A. Brown, on the charge of grand larceny. Spitzer is agent for the Sioux City & Northern railway company, and also grain buyer for Mr. Brown at Manly, Rock county. He was released on bail.

A deputy fish warden named Earth, with former Warden Stevens of Anoka, arrested two Elk River Nimrods, confiscating their outfit; but while regaling themselves at a local bar, the whole outfit was stolen from the warden. The discomfited deputies then left for Anoka.

# THE MARKETS.

**Latest Quotations From Grain and Live Stock Centers.**  
St. Paul, Jan. 25.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, 63 3/4@65 1/4; No. 2 Northern, 62 1/2@63 1/4; Corn—No. 3 yellow, 20 1/2@20 3/4; No. 3, 20 1/4@20 1/2; Oats—No. 3 white, 23 1/2@23 3/4; No. 3, 22 3/4@23 1/4; Barley and Rye—Feed barley, 31@32 1/2; malting grade, 33@35; No. 2 rye, 47 1/2@47 3/4; No. 3 rye, 46@46 1/2.

Duluth, Jan. 26.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, 65 7/8; No. 1 Northern, 64 3/8; No. 2 Northern, 61 7/8; No. 3 spring, 56 3/8; to arrive, No. 1 hard, 65 7/8; No. 1 Northern, 64 3/8; No. 1 Northern, 63 3/8; No. 1 Northern, 63 3/4; No. 2 Northern, 62 1/2@63 1/2; No. 3 wheat, 58@59; Corn—No. 3 yellow, 28 3/4; No. 3, 28 1/2; No. 4, 28@28 1/4; Oats—No. 3 white, 23@23 1/4; No. 3, 22 3/4@23; Barley, 32@33.

Chicago, Jan. 26.—Wheat—No. 2 red, 67@68; No. 3 do, 65@67; No. 2 hard winter, 64; No. 3 do, 60@63 1/2; No. 1 Northern spring, 65 1/2@67; No. 2 do, 64 1/2@66 1/2; No. 3 spring, 60@65 1/2; Corn—No. 2, 31 1/2; No. 3, 31@31 1/4; Oats—No. 2, 23; No. 3, 22 3/4.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 26.—Flour is steady. Wheat farmer; No. 1 Northern, 51 1/2@52; No. 2 Northern, 50@51 1/2. Rye steady; No. 1, 55 1/2@60; Barley steady; No. 2, 46@46 1/2; sample, 35@42 1/2. Oats firm; No. 2 white, 25 1/4@25 1/2. Stockers and feeders, \$3.25@3.40; Texas-fed beefs, \$4.25@5.00. Hogs—Chicago, Jan. 26.—Cattle—Beefers, mixed and butchers, \$4.50@4.80; good to choice, heavy, \$4.65@4.80; rough heavy, \$4.50@4.60; light, \$4.40@4.60 1/2; bulk of sales, \$4.60@4.70. Sheep, \$4.50@4.75@4.60.

Sioux City, Iowa, Jan. 26.—Cattle—Beefers, \$4.50@4.50; cows and bulls, mixed, \$2@4; stockers and feeders, \$2.50@4.50; calves and yearlings, \$3.75@4.00. Hogs, \$4.47 1/2 @ 4.60; bulk, \$4.50@4.52 1/2.

South St. Paul, Jan. 26.—Hogs—\$4.55@4.57 1/2. Cattle—Calves, \$5.65@6.50; stockers, \$3 @ 4.55; beefs, \$3@3.50; bulls, \$3@3.25; cows, \$2.55@3. Sheep, \$4.10@4.25; lambs, \$5.60@5.63.

## PORTO RICO CENSUS.

**The Island Has Nearly One Million Inhabitants.**  
San Juan, Porto Rico, Jan. 26.—The official census of Porto Rico has been finished. San Juan has 52,500 inhabitants. Ponce has nearly twice as many residents, the number being 56,000. There are 957,000 inhabitants on the island.

## NO RELIEF FOR CARTER.

**Refusal to Grant a Writ of Habeas Corpus is Sustained.**  
Albany, N. Y., Jan. 26.—Judge Wallace, in the United States court, concurred with the lower court, in refusing to grant a writ of habeas corpus in the case of Oberlin M. Carter, convicted of conspiracy against the government.

**Clairvoyant Charged With Fraud.**  
Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 26.—Mrs. Belle Eddy, alias Mrs. R. B. Yates, a well known clairvoyant, was arrested yesterday on the charge of using the mails to defraud. Mrs. C. L. Common, of Kenilworth avenue, a widow, accused her of wrongfully obtaining from her \$10,000 for the purpose of breaking up a conspiracy alleged by the clairvoyant to exist, the object of which was said, by Mrs. Eddy, to be to deprive her of property which rightfully belonged to her dead husband. The extent of time embraced in this case is about two years.

**Bryan in Connecticut.**  
New York, Jan. 26.—W. J. Bryan made a journey into Connecticut yesterday, addressing meetings at Stamford and New Haven, and then hurried back to New York that he might keep his engagement to address a public meeting in Jersey City last night. To-day he will go to Harrisburg, Pa., where he will meet the Democratic leaders of Pennsylvania.

**Sword for Wainwright.**  
Washington, Jan. 26.—Commander Richard Wainwright, who was in charge of the gallant Gloucester (the yacht Corsica converted into a cruiser) at the battle of Santiago, was presented with a sword of honor and a silver service by a committee representing the citizens of the District of Columbia in the Columbia theater yesterday afternoon.

**German Bark Released.**  
Berlin, Jan. 26.—The German bark Hans Wagner, stopped on Dec. 19 in South African waters by the British gunboat Fearless and ordered to go to Port Elizabeth and unload, after leaving the contraband, has proceeded on her way to Delagoa Bay, being the last of the seized German vessels to be released.

**Recruiting Stopped.**  
Chicago, Jan. 26.—Recruiting in Chicago for the Philippines has been suspended by order of the war department. The recruiting officer states, however, that he has been directed to obtain desirable recruits, both white and colored, for the regiments and home battalions serving in the United States.

**Many Witnesses Examined.**  
Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 26.—Many witnesses were examined before the gubernatorial contest board yesterday. The evidence related chiefly to the alleged use of tissue ballots in Democratic counties and to use of the militia in Louisville.

**Has 100,000 Signatures.**  
Brussels, Jan. 26.—Nearly 100,000 signatures have been appended to the address promoted by Charles Le Jeune and other members of the Universal Peace society, asking President McKinley to mediate, which will be forwarded to Washington in the course of a fortnight.

**Plague in Argentina.**  
Buenos Ayres, Jan. 26.—The bubonic plague has broken out at Rosario, and a rigorous cordon has been established at that place.