

BORDER TOWN TAKEN

100 MEXICAN BANDITS SEIZE MEXICALLI NEAR UNITED STATES BOUNDARY.

FORCES LED BY AMERICAN GOVERNOR AND OFFICIALS ARE ARRESTED, JAILER KILLED, AND PRISONERS GIVEN THEIR FREEDOM—COMMANDER OF BAND IS CALIFORNIA SOCIALIST.

Calxico, Cal.—The town of Mexicalli, in lower California, Mexico, just across the California border, was captured early Sunday by a band of 100 armed revolutionists, led by a California Socialist. They appeared at the house of Governor Terraza, sub-prefect of this district, and placed him under arrest. Proceeding in an orderly manner to the customs house, they demanded the surrender of the government's officials. Here the revolutionists met demurrers, but when a window was broken in and the chief of the customs corps was dragged out, they laid down their Winchester and surrendered. All federal officials were placed under guard as the main party proceeded.

The revolutionists then went to the jail and demanded the keys of Jailer Jose Villaseca. He refused them and was shot dead with a bullet through his head. The lock on the jail door was then broken off and the inmates found within were all freed, including two revolutionists who had been arrested two days previously. These joined the forces of the insurgents, with cries of "Vive Mexico." The leading stores were visited and the proprietors informed that no looting would be allowed and that as long as their demands were complied with there would be no rioting or killing.

General Berthold said: "This is a general movement that is taking place all over Mexico. We are a portion of the Mexican Liberal party, which is the same as the Socialist party in the United States. We aim to make Mexico free from the tyranny of Diaz and all the present intolerable officials. We are operating without riot, bloodshed or debauchery. We have ordered all saloons closed and will allow no ill-treatment of women or children and American citizens will be treated with respect.

"We have two hundred armed men in this vicinity and are prepared to fight to a finish to hold the ground we have gained. The plans are for the overthrowing of the government and placing the common people on a footing with the higher classes."

Mexican government officials declare the uprising merely incidental and that as soon as the revolutionists have all the whisky and loot in the places of business they will disappear. There will be, however, every effort made to catch the whole party and deal with them under the law.

ARCHBISHOP RYAN IS ILL

Well-Known Catholic Prelate Is Said to Be Dying at Philadelphia Home.

Philadelphia.—Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia, one of the best-known Roman Catholic prelates in America, is dying at his home in this city of heart failure and the physicians in attendance momentarily expect his death. The rumor that the archbishop has been sick has been prevalent for months.

Dr. Ernest La Place, who is in attendance, settled all doubt Sunday by declaring the archbishop could not live much longer, that the aged prelate who will be eighty years old on February 20, should he live, knows that he cannot live much longer, and is perfectly resigned.

CONDEMNNS CIVIC FEDERATION

United Mine Workers' Convention Declare National Body Is a Foe to Organized Labor.

Columbus, O.—By a vote of 497 to 389 the substitute offered to the motion condemning the National Civic federation as opposed to the interests of organized labor was adopted by the United Mine Workers of America.

This disposes of the original motion which called for the condemnation of the federation and the withdrawal of all the members of United Mine Workers from that organization and also the minority report which provided that no action regarding the Civic federation be taken.

Schenk Jury Disagrees. Wheeling, W. Va.—The jury in the case of Mrs. Laura Farnsworth Schenk, charged with poisoning her husband, John O. Schenk, reported Thursday that they were unable to agree and were discharged. The jury stood 11 to 1 for acquittal.

Aged Consul Will Retire. Mason City, Ia.—In a private letter received Saturday from J. E. Rowen, he announces he has forwarded his resignation as United States consul at Punta Arenas, Chile, and at the age of seventy-three will retire from further service of the government. He will return to his Clarion (Ia.) home.

Noted Scotch Painter Expires. London.—John MacWhirter, the painter, died Saturday. He was born near Edinburgh 74 years ago.

HOLDS VILLAGE AT BAY

MISSISSIPPIAN, AFTER KILLING FOE, SEIZES ENTIRE TOWN.

Keeps Inhabitants Indoors Until Arrival of Posses, When He Makes His Escape.

Hamburg, Miss.—Following a pistol duel in the chair car of a Yazoo & Mississippi Valley train in which A. Heron killed Charles Stewart Saturday, the slayer terrorized the passengers until the train reached Hamburg, where he alighted, captured the town and held the inhabitants prisoners in their homes for 24 hours.

TARIFF BOARD WINS IN HOUSE

Unamended President's Bill Passes, 186 to 93.—New Body Supercedes Sundry Civil Commission.

Washington.—The house passed the tariff board bill, unamended, at a night session Monday by a vote of 186 to 93. It was evident early in the bill would pass, but the final vote was delayed by Democratic efforts to amend the measure.

The bill creates a board in lieu of the present board, which is a creature of a provision of the sundry civil appropriation bill and which will expire by its own limitation June 30. The board is to consist of five members, not more than three of whom shall be of the same political party.

Ninety Democrats voted against the bill, although Champ Clark voted for it.

CONVICT 23 FOR MASSACRE

Survivors of Sinking Haitian Warship Sentenced to Die for Killing Seventy Passengers.

Port au Prince, Haiti.—Twenty-three officers, noncommissioned officers and sailors, survivors of the wreck of the Haitian gunboat Liberte, which sank at sea off Port de Paix last October following an explosion, were tried by a military tribunal. They were charged with mutiny.

They were found guilty of connection with the massacre of the admiral of the Liberte and several Haitian generals who were on board and of burning the boat.

Reports of the disaster to the Liberte estimated that seventy persons were killed or drowned. No mention was made in the dispatches of a mutiny.

NEW YORK ANARCHISTS RIOT

Parade in Broadway Broken Up After Police Arrest Leaders in the Demonstration.

New York.—A thousand men and women marching down Broadway behind a large anarchistic banner brought out the police reserves, whose forcible arrest of the alleged leaders caused a small riot.

The parade followed a meeting in an East side hall, at which speakers had denounced the execution in Tokio last week of a dozen persons charged with plotting against the life of Japan's emperor.

It is alleged that the crowd was marching on to the Japanese consulate to make a demonstration.

TOWN OFFICIAL KILLS MAN

Alderman Wills of Westville, Ill., Shoots Butcher-Shop Employee With Whom He Quarreled.

Danville, Ill.—Sam Wills, a prominent mine manager of this district, who is an alderman of the town of Westville and prospective candidate for mayor, shot and killed Tom Butrimovich, an employe in Mayor Slaza's butcher shop, blowing the top of his head off with a shotgun. The two had had trouble for several days.

MANUEL TO GET A PENSION

Portuguese Government Decides to Allow Deposed King a Pension of \$3,300 a Month.

Lisbon.—The Diario de Noticias announces that the Portuguese government has decided to pay a monthly pension of \$3,300 to the deposed King Manuel. A check for the months of October, November and December already has been sent to him.

THE NEW BANKER



FLIER FALLS IN SEA

AVIATOR M'CURDY FLIES FROM KEY WEST TO A POINT TEN MILES FROM HAVANA.

Feat Is Failure When Success Is In Sight and Eclipses Any Previous Over-Water Flight on Record—Loses \$8,000 Prize.

Havana, Cuba.—J. A. D. McCurdy made his often postponed attempt to fly across the Florida straits from Key West to Havana Monday. In his Curtiss biplane he covered 80 miles of the distance and then was forced to descend, ten miles from Havana, by a shortage in his supply of lubricating oil.

When he saw that he could not reach this port McCurdy alighted safely on the waters and the pontoons with which it was equipped floated the aeroplane until the destroyer Paulding, splashing along in its wake, had overtaken the aerial craft. McCurdy and his biplane were taken on board, neither the worse for the mishap.

At first it was believed that the aviator could make a new start from the deck of the destroyer, but this proved impractical and after considerable delay the Paulding brought the whole outfit into the harbor.

McCurdy had covered approximately 80 miles of the distance of 112 to Havana when he was obliged to meet the requirements of the competition, he accomplished a feat unprecedented in cross seas flying.

Compared with the 18-mile flights across the English channel, his performance stands out as far more remarkable. But for a slip in taking supplies it is not to be doubted that the trip would have been successful. Great disappointment is felt by thousands here who gathered to catch a glimpse of the bird man.

The money offered for the aerial voyage included \$5,000 tendered by the Havana Post and \$3,000 appropriated by the Havana city council.

McCurdy made his start from Key West at 7:32 o'clock under the most favorable conditions after a week of nerve-racking wait.

It is estimated that fully 10,000 people saw the start. McCurdy first circled over the harbor at an elevation of 500 feet. He made a second circle at an elevation of over 1,000 feet, and then the flag dropped and the aviator crossed the line over the wireless station, going at the rate of nearly sixty miles an hour. In ten minutes he was out of sight over Sand Key, ten miles away.

GUNBOAT WHEELING IS SAFE

Navy Department Advised by Wireless Warship Reported in Sea Accident Reaches Guantanamo.

Washington.—The gunboat Wheeling arrived in Guantanamo, Cuba. This advice was flashed to the navy department by wireless, setting at rest the fears for the little vessel's safety. It was rumored to have met with an accident at sea.

House Falls: One Dead, Two Dying. Boston.—One workman was killed, two were fatally injured and a couple others were seriously hurt Monday when a wall of a building under construction at Beacon and Brimmer streets collapsed.

Slater, Mo., Founder Dies. Kansas City, Mo.—Josiah Baker, a pioneer cattleman of the southwest, died at his home here Monday of pneumonia. He was sixty-two years old. He was the founder of the town of Slater, Mo.

Kaufman Wants Long Fight. Wilkesbarre, Pa.—Al Kaufman, in a statement Monday said he would not engage in a six-round bout with Jack Johnson in Philadelphia. He wants a fight to a finish and is willing to sign articles to that effect.

CHANGE OF CAPITAL

BILL FOR REMOVAL OF LEGISLATIVE SEAT.

FIRST STEP IN THE CAMPAIGN

Revision of Road Laws of Nebraska. Other Matters in the House and Senate.

The first step toward the campaign for the removal of the state capital from Lincoln were taken in the house by the introduction of a bill signed by twenty-seven members of house.

The measure provides that at the next general election a vote shall be taken for or against the removal of the capital, the persons voting for removal to be allowed to express their preference for a certain city, but any city voted for must be located west of the ninety-seventh meridian, which runs through Wayne in the north and just east of David City and Schuyler, and just west of Wilber in the south.

If a majority be in favor of capital removal the capital shall be declared removed. If any city receives a majority of votes cast for the removal, said city shall be declared the new capital of the state. If no city receives a majority, the two highest cities shall be voted on at a special election.

As drawn it provides for the submission at the fall election in 1911, all cities who desire to do so being eligible to compete in the contest for the prize, providing always that they are west of the west line of Lancaster county. If a majority of all votes are cast in favor of all the competing towns, the capital shall be removed.

If none of the candidates for the capital receive a majority of all votes cast in favor of capital removal, then in that event a second election must decide between the two high candidates.

Complete revision of the road laws of the state and the drafting of an entirely new and up-to-date measure will be effected by the present legislature unless the plans of the "good roads" advocates go astray.

Representative W. A. Prince of Grand Island opposed the passage of bills amending the present road laws at this time on account of the proposal to have introduced a modern road law in the session that will embody all the best suggestions made by the legislators of Nebraska.

Many bills are now before both houses for consideration and both time and money will be saved by instructing and drawing up of one general measure, according to Prince and other men deeply interested in securing better highways.

HOPE DIAMOND BRINGS WOE

Will Cost Owner \$24,200 a Year—Parents of Edward B. McLean Much Exercised Over Purchase.

Washington.—The baleful influence of the Hope diamond—a jewel that has wrecked lives, homes and business enterprises, seemingly bringing misfortunes on the heads of a line of ill-fated owners, and which now has fallen into the hands of Edward B. McLean of this city, is already losing some of its brilliancy in the haze of superstition in the McLean household.

Mr. McLean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. McLean, are aroused. His mother is superstitious and she is angry. When told of his purchase she made a hurried trip to the Massachusetts avenue home of her son to deliver a parental lecture on the "absurdity of such a gruesome" purchase.

While the elder McLeans were rushing about reviving the history of the gem, Edward McLean was preparing to get detectives to guard the jewel. To keep the stone will cost him \$24,200 a year. It will necessitate five detectives in the McLean home. The items of cost are \$15,000 interest on \$200,000; \$4,500 for personal taxes, and \$4,700 for the salaries of the detectives.

PERU AND ECUADOR FIGHT

Hostilities Over Boundary Line Begun—Three Dead, Eight Wounded in Skirmish.

Quayquil, Ecuador.—Hostilities have begun on the frontier of Peru, according to advices received here Friday.

Two hundred Peruvian soldiers attacked the village of Chaoras, Ecuador, near the boundary. Three Ecuadorians were killed and eight others wounded.

The Peruvian cruiser Almirante Grau has sailed from Callao for Payta with 200 infantrymen to reinforce the frontier guard of that country.

Eleven Convicts Are Paroled. Atlanta, Ga.—Eleven prisoners were released from the federal prison here on parole Monday. In accordance with a recent regulation from the parole board the names of the men released were not made public.

Regulating Corporations. Senator Albert introduced in the senate a bill designed to place all corporations under the control of the state railway commission and containing a provision regarding franchises which is now in effect in Wisconsin under the name of the "indeterminate permit."

SENDS IN MESSAGE.

Governor Charges Registration Frauds in Omaha.

The message from the governor declaring the present registration laws obsolete and asking the legislature to give the power of appointing boards of registration into the hands of chief executive was presented to the house and senate on Wednesday. The move came with an arraignment of alleged conditions of fraud in which the governor implicates Mayor Dahlman, and City Clerk Butler, of Omaha, in fraud and fraudulent manipulation of registration.

Governor Aldrich asserts that hundreds of registration certificates were issued at the city clerk's office at the time of election testified to by professional freeholders and sent out "and in this way as many fraudulent votes were cast as were destroyed by the gang in control and many thousands were so cast." He declares that it is a matter of record that nearly three times as many votes were cast in the Third ward as the census shows there were male inhabitants in the ward and that men who had registered and failed to vote had their vote cast for them anyway.

The governor declares that the laws as they stand are outrageous and says that "numerable frauds" were committed in Omaha under cover of the obsolete law.

As a remedy he suggests that the governor be given the power to appoint all registration boards on a 10 per cent petition and that this privilege be extended so that he can appoint men from any ward to serve in any other ward. He wants also the power to appoint a police force sufficient for protection at the polling places. "In this way," says the governor, "the incentive and motive to present fraudulent registration certificates would be destroyed and men of the highest character and intelligence would become judges and clerks of election."

Concluding the governor says: "I urge upon you the immediate consideration of this matter to the end that some plan may be devised so that what has taken place in the past may not happen again under the same or similar circumstances, as it surely will, with the laws in their present form."

A Back Number. It is not uncommon for bills to be introduced in the legislature providing amendments to the session laws of the previous session. These bills are always amended in committee to read amendments to the statutes last compiled. It remained for Lawrence of Dodge to introduce a bill that breaks the record for being antediluvian in form. It calls for an amendment to the session laws of 1881. It so happens that this law has since been amended in 1885 and in 1891, but the particular sections aimed at were originally passed in 1881.

No Salary Raise. Efforts to raise the salaries of house employes were without avail. Proposals were submitted to allow proofreaders and the chief clerk \$4 a day without overtime. Before there was opportunity to debate the proposed raises at all motions were made and carried to lay them on the table.

Stirring Up the Doctors. Gandy's bill to allow all people practicing healing arts of any kind or character, Christian Scientists, faith healers, etc., to be considered as practicing physicians, is creating some stir among the doctors and a prominent Omaha Surgeon was in the house to discuss it with the author.

Increased Pay for Jurors. To raise the pay of grand and petit jurors from \$2 to \$3 a day is the purport of one bill passed by the house. Every member voted for it.

Cobby's Statutes. The squabble over the number of Cobby's statutes to be purchased for the use of the state, and the price to be paid for them, led to something pretty closely resembling personalities in the house. The bill as amended and recommended by the committee on finance, ways and means carries an appropriation of \$3,600 for the purchase of 400 copies to be bound in buckram.

Nebraskas' First Homestead. Jansen of Gage, chairman of a special committee to prepare a memorial asking congress to buy the first homestead taken under the national homestead law, the Daniel Freeman farm in Gage county, to be used for a national park, presented a report which was adopted.

South Omaha Charter. The South Omaha charter bill was introduced in both house and senate by Representative Bulla and Senator Tanner. The bill authorizes an increase of \$25,500 in the levy and provides for an additional assistant city attorney.

Game Law Changes. Dan Gellus, state game warden under the administration of Governor Shallenberger, has secured the introduction of bills embodying the recommendation made in his biennial report. Most of these changes in the game laws which have already received indorsement from the sporting fraternity. One provision is for a universal sportsman's license of \$1.10, the 10 cents to be retained by county clerks. The proposed law provides that all persons must have such a license to hunt anywhere in the state.

PARENTS COME IN HANDY

Worthlessness and Miscellaneous Degeneracy is Greatly Exaggerated—Still a Factor in Life.

Parents are a considerable convenience, especially nowadays, when so many of them have learned their place, and especially in this town of New York, where it costs all you can earn to provide a winter habitation, and where the young wives of earnest workers like me are apt to be a good deal out of a job in summer. Much more systematic provision is made to carry my kind of man through the summer than for Cordelia's kind of woman—the clubs, for example. For man and wife at our stage of life parental duty qualified and equipped, are a very suitable and timely provision. Indeed, I feel sometimes that the worthlessness and miscellaneous degeneracy of parents in these times is exaggerated. I don't say this by way of casting an anchor to the windward, nor out of mere magnanimity, but because I honestly think so. People say that parental authority is all gone. Some think it good riddance; others lament. Since democracy came to be the fashion, everybody wants his own way more than formerly, and gets it rather more, children included. But parental direction is still a factor in life, and parental influence is enormous, and influence gets in the springs of action and character even more effectively than dogmatic authority. Parents doubtless realize the limitations of their calling better than they did, and a good deal more is done in these days than formerly to piece out their deficiencies and help them with their duties.—E. S. Martin, in Harper's Magazine.

Some Tail Feathers.

After a century of effort, and with rare patience, the Japanese have evolved from the common barnyard fowl a rooster with tail feather three yards long. Indeed, they often measure five and six yards in length. The birds are confined in long, narrow cages, darkened to prevent attempts on the part of the bird to look downward. After the tail feathers have grown to reach the bottom of the cage, a bamboo perch is set back in the cage, bent so as to form an arch—this perch permitting the feathers to hang free. The rooster stands all day on a narrow bar, with head up and body straight, and after close confinement from 24 to 48 hours the keeper takes the fowl out and permits it to walk for half an hour, the man holding up the tail feathers to prevent them from becoming soiled. Occasionally the bird is carefully washed with warm water, and exposed to the sun and air to dry. When the bird travels it is put into a long, narrow box, similar to the boxes which the Japanese use in carrying rolls of paintings, while the tail is rolled up carefully, and shut into a compartment just fitted to its dimensions. The birds are robust, despite their close confinement, resisting the heat and cold remarkably well, and frequently living to be nine years old. They are also tame and affectionate in disposition. The hens of this improved race are pretty, though not comparable with their mates, and they lay about thirty eggs a year.

"Be It Ever So Humble."

"There's no place like home," said Mrs. Lafferty to Mrs. Dolan, as she pined in her tea drinking to cast a glance at her loved possessions and admired the old stove, polished by neighborly hands till it shone almost like new.

"'Tis glad I am to be back here wid my old friends wance more."

"I suppose 'twas grand at your niece Mary's" ventured Mrs. Dolan, who had heard much talk of splendor before Mrs. Lafferty went off to visit her young relatives.

"Grand it is all right," said Mrs. Lafferty, with a toss of her head, "but let me tell you wanning thing, Mrs. Dolan, there was none o' their automobile shows, nor trolley cars, nor theaters that looked half so good to me as McCormick's court looked to me this day, when I come around the corner, stepped over the Casey's hop-scotch game and saw the ashes blowing out of Dan Grogan's barrels as they hit the back o' the ash cart. And when the Donahue baby let out that screech o' hers, I said to meself: 'Praise be I'm home again!'"—Youth's Companion.

Very Valuable Pipe.

One pipe that will not figure in any collection is the pipe that used to be smoked by the shah of Persia who lost his throne recently. It descended to its present owner from his father, who received it from his brother. This ornamental object is set with diamonds and rubies valued at approximately \$600,000. When the shah was not using it the pipe was guarded by one of the court officials, whose task it was to watch it night and day, since a grand vizier was caught, when he was, as he supposed, alone, making attempts to pick out some of the jewels with the fine point of his poniard.

A Cat's Ninety-Mile Walk.

About two months ago a cat belonging to Mr. J. Love of Wycocum March was missed. The owner surmised that the animal had been stolen or had strayed away, but on Tuesday last a communication was received from some friends to the effect that the cat had returned to its old home at St. Neots, Huntingdonshire, a distance of about ninety miles.—London Standard.