

Condensed News of the Week

The adopted brother of the emperor of Japan, Prince Fushimi, is coming to America, with a view, it is said, of cementing the friendship between the United States and Japan.

The steamer Slavonia, which reached New York Oct. 23, brought to this country 2,063 Austro-Hungarian immigrants.

In accordance with the request of Pope Pious X, the choir of St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York, consisted entirely of men on Sunday, Oct. 23. There were 120 voices in the chorus.

Fifty fishing trawlers off Spurn Head in the North Sea were fired upon by Russian ships on the night of Oct. 21. Two of the trawlers were sunk and two of the crew decapitated, while many others were hurt. The mistake was probably due to the fact that the fishing vessels flashed lights and rockets to each other to show the fishing directions for the night. Suddenly a great number of vessels and torpedo-like boats appeared and before the horrified fishermen could recover themselves, powerful searchlights were turned upon them while great shots from the quick-firing guns of the Russians killed and wounded members of the party. The czar, who is greatly pained over the affair, sent a telegram expressing the deepest regret.

The supreme court has granted the motion to advance the case of Senator Burton of Kansas and has fixed November 28 as the date for hearing.

Andrew Carnegie has been awarded the Bessemer gold medal by the international iron and steel concern in session at New York. This decoration is the highest honor that can be bestowed by the institution. Mr. Carnegie is the first American who has ever been president of the organization, the others having been Englishmen.

An Associated Press dispatch, dated Washington, D. C., Oct. 24, says: "The president has accepted the resignation of James F. Cooper, associate justice of the supreme court of the Philippine islands, to take effect October 18. Judge Cooper was appointed from Texas. He has served three years on the Philippine bench with credit and resigns on account of advancing years.

At Fort Sill, O. T., five stables, with storage houses and ammunition belonging to troops A, B, and D, were destroyed by fire.

The negro population of Berkeley, Va., are considerably wrought up over the lynching of one of their race by fifty white men. The dead man, whose name is Blount, while resisting an officer who attempted to arrest him, hurled a lighted lamp at the policeman, badly injuring him.

During the absence from home of the parents, three small children of Jesse Evans, a well-to-do farmer living near Coralea, Okla., were burned to death yesterday in a fire which destroyed the house.

Dutch troops have captured Batoebatoe in Achin, after sharp fighting. The Achinese lost 196 killed and the Dutch captured twenty guns and had three killed and eleven wounded.

The tenth annual meeting of the Central Supply association of manufacturers and jobbers of gas and steam fitting supplies convened at St. Louis yesterday. President J. B. Rahen of Omaha presided.

A broken rail caused the derailment of Missouri Pacific passenger train No. 42, three miles west of Neal, Kan., resulting in the injury of twenty-six persons, only eight of whom were seriously hurt, but it is believed none fatally.

An Associated Press dispatch, dated Washington, D. C., Oct. 25, says: "Arguments on a petition that the secretary of the treasury be restrained from making payments or issuing bonds for the acquisition and construction of the Panama canal was made today in the equity branch of the supreme court of the District of Columbia. W. S. Wilson of Hinsdale, Ill., is the author of the suit and presented his own argument. The government was defended by United States Attorney Morgan H. Beach and Charles W. Russell, assistant to the attorney general. Justice Stafford, who heard the case, has not rendered his decision."

Four prominent French officers who were accused of using military funds and otherwise influencing witnesses against Dreyfus, the famous Frenchman, will be court-martialed.

The verdict of the judges in the kite contest for mile altitudes held last Saturday at the World's fair: William King of St. Louis was declared the winner, having reached an altitude of 2,505 feet. Silas J. Conye of Chicago reached 2,018 feet, Raymond Anglemire of St. Louis, 1,663, and T. E. Harbert of Chicago, 932 feet.

President Roosevelt has appointed Mrs. James Longstreet, the widow of General James Longstreet, to be postmistress at Galesville, Ga.

President Harriman of the Union Pacific system, denies that the Union Pacific railroad has secured an option on the Chicago Great Western.

A report from Mukden says that the lone tree on Lone Tree hill has been cut down by the Russians and used for fire-wood.

An Associated Press report, dated Abo, Finland, Oct. 26, says: "The trial of former Senator Schaumann, father of Eugene Waldemar Schaumann, the assassin of the late Governor General Bobrikoff, arrested on July 2, on suspicion of having had knowledge of his son's crime, has been postponed to November 8."

Warrants were issued for fifty negroes by the county prosecutor at Kansas City, charging them with illegal registration. The penalty for the crime is from two to five years in the penitentiary. It was stated at the prosecutor's office last night that warrants for 250 more negroes charged with the same crime, will be issued today.

Workmen tearing down a bluff on the Missouri river front at the foot of Lydia avenue, Kansas City, came upon the skull of a mastodon with seven-foot tusks. It is not known whether the whole skeleton is in the bluff as work was discontinued, to be resumed carefully with a view to saving the remains.

Marquis Afan de Rivera of Italy became so much worried recently upon learning that Count Panzuti would be a candidate against him, dividing the monarchial party and rendering his re-election uncertain, that Tuesday night he was taken ill and died before morning.

The state of Nevada yesterday filed a claim against the United States in the United States court of claims for \$470,475, advanced in aid of the federal government during the civil war.

A monument erected by the Quivera society to Juan Padilla, the first martyr priest of the American continent, who was murdered near Herrington, Kan., was unveiled yesterday.

The Illinois Central railway has sent to the chief of police of St. Louis a check for \$750 to defray the funeral expenses of Detectives Shea, Dwyer and McClusky, who were killed last week in a battle with alleged train robbers. This is taken as an indication that the railway company is confident the real robbers were killed or captured.

By legislation contained in one of the appropriation bills recently passed at Manila, the strength of the Philippine constabulary has been reduced at one stroke by 1,200 men. The reduction will take effect at the beginning of the next fiscal year, leaving the strength of the force at 6,000 men.

Cornelius Van Cott, postmaster of New York city, died suddenly of heart failure, following a sharp attack of acute nervous indigestion. Worry over the recent loss of the savings of a lifetime, and the arrest of his son, Richard Van Cott, charged with colonizing voters, coupled with advancing years (he was in his sixty-seventh year) played an important part in bringing on the fatal illness.

As a result of the investigation into the Statesboro lynching affair, where two negroes were burned at the stake, without any interference on the part of the state troops, Captain Robert M. Hitch, who was in command of the troops, has been dismissed from the service. Lieutenants L.

A. Mell and Griner, who were also in command of troops, will be publicly reprimanded, and the former will be dismissed for one year.

It has developed that the attack made by the Russian ships upon the English fishing boats was due to the fact that several torpedo boats were among the fishing fleet. Being aware that the Japanese had purchased torpedo boats in England, the Russians felt some apprehension at seeing these. Suddenly the transport Anatol, which was steaming ahead of the Russian squadron, was surrounded by eight torpedo boats, then a cannon shot was heard, and the Anatol signalled for assistance, whereupon the Russian ships formed in battle line and returned the fire, afterward continuing its journey. Later reports say that the governments of England and Russia have agreed to submit the affair to The Hague tribunal, and this procedure is receiving favorable comment from every nation.

An Associated Press dispatch dated Guayaquil, Ecuador, Oct. 27, says: "A worship law which has just been promulgated places all the clergy and their properties under control of the government and forbids the entrance into the country of religious communities. The law declares that only Ecuadorans can be archbishops or bishops, and it forbids the establishment of new religious orders and also diminishes the force of the concordat."

The Brooklyn pier at the foot of Forty-second street in that city was destroyed by fire October 28. The loss is estimated at \$500,000 and a policeman and a fireman are reported missing.

President Roosevelt celebrated his 46th birthday on October 27, and was the recipient of many congratulations on the event.

The raising of the colossal statue of St. John de la Salle into its niche in St. Peter's, sixty-five feet above the pavement, took place Thursday in Rome.

A treaty of extradition has been concluded between Belgium and Cuba.

An Associated Press dispatch dated Washington, Oct. 28, says: "By direction of the president Secretary Loeb today sent to James N. Tyner, the former assistant attorney general for the post-office department, a letter in reply to Mr. Tyner's letter dated October 8, and made public last night. The letter says that as the question of Mr. Tyner's guilt on the criminal charge on which he was tried has been passed upon by a jury the president acquiesces in the jury's finding, but the evidence "seems to him overwhelming that you were guilty either of moral obliquity in performance of duty or of the grossest inefficiency."

George K. Nash, former governor of Ohio, dropped dead of heart failure at his home in Columbus, Ohio, October 28.

The oldest newspaper in Berlin, Germany, the Vossische Zeitung, celebrated its 200th anniversary October 29.

Friends of William Mall, a merchant of Aurora, Ill., have received word from him that while visiting in his old home in Germany he was forced into the army despite the fact that he gave proof of his American citizenship. It is probable that an appeal will be made to Washington.

The grand jury officiating at the trial of the lynchers of Cato and Reed, the two Georgia negroes who were burned at the stake, failed to indict the accused rioters. Judge Daley, in dismissing the jury, said that he did not see why indictments were not returned, and the judge's manner seemed to indicate disapproval of the jury's finding.

It is said that Burke Cochran, the famous democratic orator, has been advised by physicians to undergo an operation on his throat. He has been suffering with it for some time, but is still making speeches and will not consent to the operation until after election.

General Alexieff, who has been in command of the Russian navy in the far east, has been ordered home and General Kuropatkin has been assigned the command of the naval and land forces.