

IT IS NIP AND TUCK

Yacht Race Close and Stirring From Start.

NEATEST AND CLEANEST RACE Sailed.

Challenger Ahead at Start and Round the Turn, but Beat on Home Run by One Minute, Twenty-two Seconds.

Start. Finish.
Columbia.....11:00:16 3:31:23
Shamrock.....11:00:14 3:31:58
Columbia wins, boat for boat by twenty-nine seconds.

Columbia wins, with time allowance, by one minute, twenty-two seconds.

In the closest and most soul-stirring race ever sailed for the old America's cup the white flyer Columbia Saturday, Sept. 28, beat the British challenger over a windward and leeward course of thirty nautical miles by the narrow, heart-breaking margin of thirty-nine seconds. As Lipton's latest aspirant for cup honors must allow the defender forty-three seconds on account of the extra 833 square feet of canvas in her sail area the official record, under the rules, gives Columbia the victory by one minute and twenty-two seconds.

As a spectacle the contest was superb. From the time the two skyscraping racers crossed the starting line until they fled across the finish line, four and a half hours later, the result was in doubt, and the excitement aboard the excursion fleet increased until men became frenzied and women almost hysterical. So evenly matched were these scientific racing machines that never after they started were the rival skippers out of each other's hail.

The memory of the races between Genesta and the Puritan in 1885, and Lord Dunraven's first Valkyrie and the Vigilant in 1893; which have been treasured by yachtsmen up to this time will be forgotten after this magnificent duel of today. It will live forever in the memory of those who witnessed it. In the years to come yachtsmen of two nations will recount the thrilling story of the celebrated first race between the Columbia and the Shamrock II., sailed off New York harbor in the first year of the new century.

As a result of Saturday's race, though faith in the Columbia still remains in the hearts of the patriots, all the experts admit that the British boat is the ablest sloop ever sent to these waters to lift the 100 guinea cup which the old schooner America brought across the Atlantic fifty years ago. The next race will be sailed over a triangular course ten miles to a leg.

DISASTER IN SAMAR.

Forty-Eight American Troops Killed Near Balangiga

A Manila dispatch of September 29 says:

A hard fight between United States troops and insurgents occurred yesterday in the island of Samar, near Balangiga. A large body of insurgents attacked Company C, Ninth infantry, only twenty-four men of the company escaping. All the others are reported to have been killed. The company were at breakfast when attacked and made a determined resistance, but the overwhelming number of the insurgents compelled them to retreat. Of the survivors eleven are wounded. According to the latest returns the company's strength was seventy-two. The survivors include Captain Thomas W. Connell, First Lieutenant Edward A. Bumpus and Dr. R. S. Griswold, surgeon.

Captain Edwin V. Bookmiller, of the Ninth infantry, reports that General Hughes is assembling a force to attack the insurgents.

The insurgents captured all stores and ammunition of the company and all rifles except twenty-six.

Injured in Infiltration.

John A. Fieoner of Arkansas City, Kan., has filed suit in the district court of Cowley county against the American Order of Pyramids, asking damages in the sum of \$15,000.

He stated in his petition that about a year ago he was being initiated into the order, and was placed upon some sort of an instrument in a careless and reckless manner, and was carried around the hall. It was during this performance that he fell from the instrument mentioned and crushed his ankle, this rendering him a cripple for life. The bill gives an itemized account of the doctors' fees, etc. The case will come up at the next term of court.

Murder at Troy, Kas.

In a street duel at Troy, Kas., Carl White, aged twenty-three, was shot and fatally wounded by Howard Lange, aged seventeen, son of a restaurant keeper. White had ordered beer and when Lange refused to serve it because of the prohibitory law, he provoked a quarrel.

Demand Return of Taylor.

Arthur Goebel of Cincinnati, brother of the late Wm. Goebel of Kentucky, the chief of police of Frankfort, Ky., and several others, had a long conference with Governor Durbis of Indiana for the purpose of having him honor requisition papers for W. S. Taylor and Charles Finley. This was on September 28. Since the conference Governor Durbis has been flooded with telegrams from Kentucky and elsewhere urging him not to do so, and it is asserted he will refuse to set in the matter.

ONE WING TO BE REBUILT

State Board Ready to Give Job to a Contractor.

Governor Savage and Attorney General F. N. Prout have returned to Lincoln from Norfolk, where they inspected the ruins of the burned asylum. The board of public lands held a meeting recently and decided to ask for bids for the reconstruction of the west wing of the building, the contractor to make it fireproof and to depend solely on the next legislature for pay. Architect Grant was requested to visit Norfolk and report the cost of this improvement. It is believed that a fireproof structure will cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000. It is the determination of the board to build nothing but fireproof buildings for the state hereafter.

WANT AN AMERICAN BISHOP

Church People of Hawaii Make Such an Appeal to Episcopal Conference.

An important question to be considered by the Episcopal general conference which meets in San Francisco this week will relate to the position of the church in Hawaii. A statement from Honolulu says: "The people of Hawaii are strongly in favor of their church being placed under the jurisdiction of an American bishop and of the American church being established there."

Although the church in Honolulu selected two men to attend the general convention, General Osborne and Clive Davies, they in no sense come as deputies, but merely to further the interests of their church as far as possible in an unofficial way.

ALL WILL BE REPRESENTED

Many Republics to Attend Pan-American Congress.

All but two of the South American republics have appointed their representatives to the pan-American congress to be held October 21 in the city of Mexico. Those two countries are Honduras and the Dominican republic. Their representatives will be appointed before the congress meets. The delegates from the United States are Henry G. Davis of West Virginia, William L. Buchanan of Iowa, Volney W. Foster of Illinois, John Barrett of Oregon, and John M. Pepper of the District of Columbia.

WILL GO TO COAST IN 1902

President Roosevelt Expected to Visit Pacific States Next Year.

President Roosevelt will probably make an extended visit to the Pacific coast next year. A Washington dispatch says the president has spoken of his intention to several of his friends. It is proposed that the president shall visit Washington and Oregon first, going thence to California and returning through the central western or southern states. The president has never visited the Pacific slope.

Wabash Not Responsible.

The wreck which was reported to have occurred on the Wabash railroad near Council Bluffs, Ia., the other day, as a matter of fact, occurred on the Omaha & St. Louis railroad and not on the Wabash. Mr. J. Ramsey, Jr., president of the Wabash, says the Omaha & St. Louis is in no way connected with the Wabash, and that his road is in no way responsible for the wreck.

Tries to Build a Fence.

J. R. Woods, who drew claim No. 1, adjoining the city of Lawton, Okla., is now attempting to fence his farm, on which are located 500 "squatters" who refuse to move. To fence the north side, one mile in length, he must go through an almost solid row of tents and shacks. He is nearing that side and will again appeal to the United States government to remove the squatters.

Invites Uncle Sam.

The state department has received advice from the vice consul general at Cairo transmitting the khedival government's invitation to the government of the United States to have the scientific societies and institutions of the United States take part in the meeting of the Egyptian medical caucus at Cairo, in December, 1902, by sending delegates and presenting works bearing upon the preliminary program.

Castro Will Declare War.

It is again asserted in well informed circles at Caracas, Venezuela, that President Castro will declare war on Colombia soon. The Venezuelan government is without financial resources and will shortly use the method of South American dictatorships and proceed to raise funds by force. Lack of confidence in the government is manifested everywhere in Venezuela.

Sues His Son for Rent.

William E. Cochran of Hiawatha, Kan., rented land from his father, Geo. W. Cochran, in 1893, and since that time he has paid only \$137 rent. He put \$500 in improvement on the place. His father has brought in the district court suit against his son for \$2,030 which he asserts is the amount of rent due him.

Driving Out the Negroes.

A Guthrie, O. T., dispatch says: An attempt was recently made by a mob, composed of unknown persons, to drive the negroes from Pond Creek, the county seat of Grant county, Oklahoma. They began firing by a fusillade of shots into the homes of Annie Meade, a mulatto, and Jim Gillespie. Two of the woman's children were seriously injured, the bed in which they were sleeping was filled full of bullet holes and the dishes on the table were broken into pieces.

SWALLOWS ACID

Miss Jennie Butler Commits Suicide at Neligh.

IS FOUND LYING DEAD IN A GARRET

Lived Alone in a House in the North Part of Town—Was at One Time Employed in New York City Library

—Other Important News.

Miss Jennie Butler, who was living alone in a little house of her own in the north part of Neligh, Neb., committed suicide recently by taking a dose of carbolic acid. She had attended the services in the congregational church, and not having come to the place where she had lately been taking her meals, a search was instituted after dark and she was found lying dead in the garret of her house.

The lady was about forty years old, and had been feeble-minded since her residence at Neligh. She had formerly been employed in the library in New York city. She came there with the purpose, she said, of being near the grave of her father, an old soldier who had been frozen to death many years ago and had been interred at Neligh. Some time since her house had been broken into by villains, who frightened her greatly, and she had never entirely recovered from the fright. She has no relatives in Nebraska.

THE SCHLEY INQUIRY.

Captain Bob Evans a Witness and Details the Santiago Fight.

Rear Admiral Evans, who as captain commanded the battleship Iowa during the Santiago campaign, was a witness before the naval court of inquiry on the 30th. His testimony covered the entire period from the time the Iowa left the port of Key West on the 20th day of May, 1898, until the 5th of July, when Admiral Evans testified he had a conversation with Admiral Schley concerning the battle of the 3rd. He described in detail the principal battle off Santiago and also gave particulars concerning the bombardment of the Colon on the 31st of May.

Other witnesses of the day were Captain Jewell of the cruiser Minneapolis and Commander Miller, who commanded the collier Merrimac until it was turned over to Hobson to be sunk in the mouth of the harbor.

Sister of Lemly Dead.

News was received at Washington Monday of the death by burning of a sister of Captain Lemly, judge advocate of the Schley court of inquiry, which occurred in North Carolina. Immediately upon receipt of the news Admiral Schley and his counsel sent word to Captain Lemly offering to move the court to adjourn.

Miss Laura Lemly, forty-five years old, a sister of Judge Advocate Lemly of the navy, was burned to death at her home in Salem, N. C. Her clothing caught fire from a kitchen stove and she was so badly burned that death resulted in four hours.

PASSENGER ON TRAIN SHOT

Unknown Man Fires Bullet Through a Window.

A Cassopolis, Michigan, dispatch says: Ex-Judge H. D. Smith was shot in the throat by an unknown person. Mr. Smith had been in Chicago on legal business and was returning on the Grand Trunk. Just before reaching South Bend, a bullet mashed the window where he was sitting cutting a gash in Mr. Smith's throat. The train was stopped, but no signs were visible of anyone and the source of the shot is unknown.

The wound is serious, but not necessarily fatal.

To Change Name of Islands.

A suggestion which is meeting with favor is to change the name of the Philippine islands to the McKinley Islands, says a Washington dispatch. It is intended to bring the proposition before the next congress. The plan embraces the idea of bestowing upon the different islands and provinces the names of the men most prominently identified with the acquisition and management of the islands.

Dole Will Not Resign.

Henry E. Copper, secretary to Hawaii, has arrived at Washington, and denied the report that he was bearing the resignation of Governor Dole to the president. Mr. Copper said that the governor had never even intimated that he had any such purpose of resigning.

Killed While Hunting.

David Bell, an inspector for the Iowa Telephone company at Des Moines, died recently as a result of an accident which occurred while hunting near Oskaloosa Sunday. A bullet struck his pocket and carried several coils through the thigh.

Race Riot in Texas.

News has reached Long View, Tex., of a race riot at Hallville, in Harrison county. A party of white men whipped a negro so severely that he died. They attempted to break into the house of another negro, who shot and instantly killed one of the whites, and armed citizens are now hunting for the negro who did the shooting. The trouble arose over crop mortgages. It is said that the negroes secured advances on their crops and then refused to fulfill the contracts.

PLATTSMOUTH MAN SHOT

Injured While Leaving a Dance Late in the Evening.

George Pease, an employe of the B. & M. shops at Plattsmouth, was shot in a mysterious manner while leaving a dance, and his wound may prove fatal. The bullet is supposed to have lodged in his neck. Pease had attended a dance given at the Burlington boarding house and claims that while he was leaving the premises, intending to go home, someone discharged a revolver at him from across the street. He also claims that his assailant followed him for some distance, threatening to do him more harm. A young man named Fielder has been arrested pending a thorough investigation of the case. It is believed that the shooting was the result of a quarrel which occurred during the early part of the evening.

STRUCK BY A PASSENGER

Joseph Hula, a Section Man from Plattsmouth Instantly Killed.

Joseph Hula, a section man, was struck and instantly killed by a Burlington passenger train at a point two miles north of Plattsmouth. Hula was working along the track when a northbound freight train came around the curve and in getting out of the way he stepped directly in front of the rapidly approaching passenger train, which was coming in on another track. The unfortunate man's head was terribly mutilated. He leaves a wife and three children. He had been a faithful employe for a number of years.

DICKINSON TAKES ACTION

Demands the Release of Miss Stone From Brigands.

C. M. Dickinson, United States consul general in Constantinople, has made representations to the Bulgarian government with a view of securing the release of Miss Helen H. Stone and her companion who were captured by brigands Sept. 3 near Djumabula. It is reported that a number of the members of the Bulgar-Macedonian revolutionary committee have been arrested on evidence implicating them in the abduction.

Found Dead in His Bed.

At Benedict, Neb., George Meehlhausen, a German farmhand, was found dead in his bed one morning recently at the home of George Clark. He was in Benedict the day previous on business, and was a member of the Modern Woodmen and carried a \$2,000 policy, which was written in favor of two little girls of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Walker, where he made his home when out of work.

Severs Artery of Arm.

Chris Peterson, a young man working at the carpenter trade at Franklin, Neb., met with a serious accident while in the Porter & Conkling building. In some way he ran a sharp instrument into his arm severing an artery. It was necessary to place him under the influence of chloroform which the doctor could stop the flow of blood.

Pike Monument Unveiling.

A large crowd was present at Republic City, Kan., on the 30 to witness the unveiling of the Pike monument. This monument is raised upon the spot where Zebulon Pike compelled the lowering of the Spanish flag and commemorates the raising of the first American flag west of the Mississippi.

Dat e for Murder Trial.

A Washington dispatch says: The date for beginning the trial of Mrs. Lola Ida Henry Bonine, charged with the murder of James Seymour Ayres, the young Michigan census clerk, in the Hotel Kenmore tragedy, has been fixed for November 6.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Happenings of Here and There Bolled Down to Readable Size.

Lord Kitchener has asked for 25,000 more men.

It is stated that there is no material change in Mrs. McKinley's condition.

Jacob A. Blodt, a Cleveland, O., business man, to escape persecution of enemies, killed himself by asphyxiation.

The warden of the Auburn, New York, prison, is flooded with requests for permission to witness the execution of Calogoz.

A pitched battle between strikers and policemen occurred at San Francisco. Seven men were wounded, one perhaps fatally.

Prince Chun, head of the Chinese mission of expiation, has started from Berlin for China. It is intimated he will not visit America.

Admiral Valcarlos of the Spanish navy has presented his report to the queen regret asking for necessary funds for naval defense.

At Kansas City, Charles Hudspeth, of Mason City, Ill., shot and killed Charles Curry of Lexington, Mo., jealous over attentions paid Mrs. Hudspeth by Curry was the cause.

Forest fires rage on Battle mountain Colorado, and threaten the town of Red Cliff.

The printing establishment of Wilson, Humphrey & Co., at Logansport, Ind., burned. Loss, \$50,000.

Miss Helen Morton, daughter of former Vice-President Levi Morton, will soon wed the Count de Perigord, son of the Duke of Talleyrand-et-Sagen.

The Nebraska university foot ball team defeated the Kirksville, Mo., team by a score of 5 to 0. The osteopaths were a hard proposition.

COURT'S PROGRESS

Schley Inquiry Moves Along in Good Shape.

BOB EVANS CONCLUDES HIS TESTIMONY

Three New Witnesses Examined, Among the Lot Being a Newspaper Man on Board Battleship Texas at Time of the Santiago Fight.

The Schley court of inquiry made good headway at its session of October 1, concluding with Admiral Evans and hearing three new witnesses, although the testimony of one of them was not concluded when the court adjourned for the day. Admiral Evans' testimony was along the same general lines as was his statement of the previous day, but some points were presented in greater detail in response to questions by Mr. Rayner.

The new witnesses were Captain Sigsbee, who commanded the scout St. Paul during the Santiago campaign, Thomas M. Dieuaille, a newspaper correspondent who was on the Texas during the battle, and Chief Yeoman Gustave Becker, who was clerk to Admiral Sampson during the war.

Captain Sigsbee's testimony covered his communications to Schley upon the latter's arrival off Santiago May 20, 1898, and at subsequent dates and dealt with the state of the weather at that period. He was asked a great number of questions by the court.

Mr. Dieuaille described the loop of the Brooklyn as seen from the Texas. Mr. Becker testified as to dispatches sent by Admiral Sampson to Commodore Schley.

There were five admirals of the United States navy congregated within the railing of the gunners' shop in the navy yard, where the Schley court of inquiry meets. Admiral Dewey and his associates, Admirals Benham and Ramsey, occupied their usual seats as members of the court, and Rear Admiral Schley his customary place at the table set apart for the "applicant" in the witness stand.

Rear Admiral Evans, who had been called Monday, still occupied his position, and continued to tell his story of the part taken by him as captain of the Iowa. He had completed his testimony in chief when the court adjourned Monday, and had also been questioned at some length by Mr. Rayner on cross-examination, but he was recalled for the purpose of allowing Mr. Rayner time to consult with Admiral Schley and prepare certain formal questions bearing upon special features of the campaign, which the attorney had stated would require more than ordinary time and research in their preparation. These questions were put to Admiral Evans in their order and through them a clearer understanding was arrived at. On the whole, the testimony was not altogether favorable to Schley.

NO WIND FOR THE RACE

Yachts Couldn't Get Around Triangular Course in Time Limit.

A New York Oct. 2, dispatch says: Yesterday's attempt to sail the second of the present series of international yacht races for the blue ribbon of the sea proved a dismal failure. Between 25,000 and 30,000 people who crowded the pleasure fleet of Sandy Hook light-ship in the hope of seeing a repetition of the thrilling sport of last Saturday witnessed instead more of a drifting match than a race.

The wind, with crews lined up on the lee sails, was not sufficient at any time to make the racing machines heel to their lines. At the end of four and a half hours, the two yachts having covered less than one-half of the prescribed course of thirty miles and as there was no possibility of their finishing within the time limit, the regatta committee declared the race off. When the gun was fired announcing this decision the challenger was about half a mile ahead of the defender and to that extent the trial was a victory of Shamrock II. But the fluke demonstrated little as to the question of supremacy between the two crews except perhaps that Sir Thomas' new champion is more dangerous in light airs than was supposed after her two former meetings with the white flyer to which the patriots are pinning their faith.

Increased Enrollment at K. U.

There are 1,033 students enrolled at the Kansas University as against 936 at this time last year. The incoming class far exceeds in size any previous class. The greatest gains are in the pharmacy and art schools, while the engineering school has eighty men in freshman class. The wheat country sends a much greater number than ever before. The short grass country shows the greatest gains in the registrations. The eastern, southern and central portions of the state maintain their previous high record of representation. There are no losses from any portion of the state.

Shortage Has Been Covered.

The directors of the People's National bank of Washington, Ind., have issued a statement placing the shortage of R. C. Davis, ex-cashier, at \$71,946.32. The shortage has been covered by the transfer of property together with money paid over by the bondsmen.

Stock Killed by Train.

Five head of cattle belonging to Mrs. James Wiles and the firm of Kunzman & Range of Plattsmouth got out of a pasture at Culom recently and were killed by a Burlington train.

IT IS PRAIRIE CHICKEN TIME

Open Season Now On—A Few Facts For the Prairie Chicken Hunters

The open season for the shooting of prairie chickens began October 1 and lasts two months. As the season is short the lovers of hunting and the professional hunters expect to make the most of it. It is reported that the chickens are plentiful in the western part of the state but as they have had one extra month the start of the hunters they are wary and hard to shoot. Those who hunt away from home must secure a license from the county clerk. Nebraskans may have a license for \$1, but persons from other states must pay \$10. These are good for one year and are not transferable.

As the law permits one person to have fifty birds in his possession the dealers and pot hunters are planning to evade this section of the law. In the larger cities dealers have proposed the plan of having each of their employes buy fifty birds and thus seek to evade the law. Chief Game Warden Simpkins says if this is attempted arrests will be made and he feels positive that the law will soon put a stop to that sort of evasion. He has no fear of the result if arrests are made under such circumstances. It is predicted that dealers in game will not make any contracts until they secure legal advice on this point.

ALL GOES WELL IN CUBA

Forthcoming Elections Arouse No Great Animosities Among Islanders.

The Cuban constitutional convention at a recently held session, considered a letter from Governor-General Wood, advising the appointment of a commission of five members to have charge of the forthcoming elections, and also advising that two elections be held instead of four. The attendance did not amount to a quorum, but General Wood's suggestions were approved by all present. A manifesto has been issued by prominent revolutionists approving the recent letter of T. Estrada Palma as to the program for the future republic, and strongly recommending his election to the presidency.

At a later session the convention changed the constitution to conform to General Wood's suggestions and it is now ready to dissolve.

MONEY FOR FREE DELIVERY

Postmaster General Makes Estimates for Coming Fiscal Year.

The official estimates for the coming fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1902, which Postmaster General Smith will submit to congress at the opening of the session, call for an aggregate of \$6,250,000 for rural free delivery service throughout the country. This is an increase of \$2,752,000 over the expense of that rapidly growing service for the current year. The total for the free delivery service proper, which is that operated in cities, is \$18,745,000, an increase of 9 per cent. The grand aggregate for the entire postal free delivery service, inclusive of both the free delivery and rural free delivery, is \$24,997,000.

Bad Farm Year in Britain.

This will rank as a bad year for the farmers throughout Great Britain. Alike in England and in Scotland the acreages sown to wheat and barley are smaller than they were last year, and there is a decline in the number of cattle, sheep and pigs kept in England. Nor is the decline an unimportant one. In many respects it leaves British agriculture in a more restricted plight than for years. In Scotland the position is not so bad as in England.

Father Told Him to Shoot.

Carl White was shot by Howard Lang, the 18-year-old son of George Lang, a restaurant keeper at Troy, Kan. White had been drinking. He went into the Lang place and asked for beer. He was refused and put out. Young Lang went out with him. They fought outside. The elder Lang came to the door cried to his son to shoot. The son did as his father bade.

Soldiers Brought Home.

The transport Thomas has arrived at San Francisco. Among her passengers are Surgeon General George M. Sternberg and Commissary General John F. Weston, who have been in the Philippine islands several months inspecting the condition of their respective departments. The Thomas brought a number of army officers and discharged soldiers.

Will Test American Coal.

At New York to test the steaming qualities of American coal, with which its bunkers will at once be filled, the French third-class cruiser d'Estrees is in port and anchored in North river. It came direct from Quebec, where it had recently taken part in the welcome of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York.

Peter Miller Recovers.

Peter Miller, of Plattsmouth, Neb., who had his throat cut and windpipe severed by an unknown assailant, has so far recovered as to be able to return to his home at Omaha. His physician considers his recovery one of the most remarkable on record.

Lad Shoots Off an Arm.

The son of Lawrence Vehla, a farmer, living five miles southwest of Shelton, Neb., while hunting accidentally shot himself in the left arm, shattering the member so that amputation was necessary. The boy is reported to be in a serious condition.

Students Hold Aloof.

The London correspondent of the Tribune says: Scottish students seem to hold aloof from Mr. Carnegie's magnificent university scheme in Scotland. This is the effect of the executive committee's report, just published.