

THE WORLD AT LARGE.

Summary of the Daily News.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

SECRETARY BLISS, of the interior department, was called upon by Webster Davis, Congressman Cowder and E. L. Martin, of the Gulf railroad, for the purpose of having commissioners appointed to assess damages for the right-of-way of the road through the Indian territory.

CONSUL GENERAL LEE cabled from Havana on the 16th that the number of dead from the battleship Maine disaster was 290, with Officers Merritt and Jenkins still missing.

REV. ALEXANDER KENT, pastor of the People's church at Washington, has made arrangements for the meetings at the church Sunday evenings to be addressed by congressmen, who are to discuss social and financial problems.

THOMAS JEFFERSON'S birthday anniversary will be celebrated on April 18 by the National Association of Democratic clubs with a subscription dinner in Washington. Mr. Bryan will be the principal speaker and it is anticipated that every state in the union will be well represented at the dinner.

ACTING SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR RYAN recently sent a communication to congress in regard to the education of children of white and colored residents of the Indian territory. He said that no provision for the education of white and colored youths exists. The white and colored residents are there by sufferance only, having no voice in the government under which they live, or ownership of the soil on which they reside.

THE resolutions which were adopted at the session of the National Woman Suffrage association at Washington on the 17th demand for women citizens equality with males in the exercise of the elective franchise, ask for a 16th amendment to the constitution to bring this about, demand for mothers equal custody and control of their minor children and for wives and widows an equal use and inheritance of property, and ask for woman representation on boards of education, public schools, etc.

SECRETARY BLISS is in receipt of a recent letter from Gov. Brady, of Alaska, descriptive of the lawless condition of affairs at Skagway and Dyea. It was considered sufficient justification for the immediate dispatch of the additional military force already authorized to be sent to Alaskan territory.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY has consented to deliver an address at Iowa college, Grinnell, Ia., in June, on the occasion of the semi-centennial of the institution.

SECRETARY LONG, of the navy department, made a statement on the 18th denying the warlike rumors floating round and stating that the disaster to the battleship Maine would probably be found to be an accident. Preparations have been made for a court of inquiry and it will convene at Key West, Fla., and later on perhaps go to Havana. Lieut. Blandin denies the story that a sailor saw a torpedo approaching the vessel, but the explosion took place before he could give the alarm.

THE post office department at Washington has been informed that after March 1 samples of liquids, greases, powders and glass will be admitted to the mails of Great Britain.

SECRETARY WILSON, of the agricultural department, will probably have dipping stations for cattle established at St. Louis and Kansas City.

THE annual meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution opened at Washington on the 21st. A hot fight was in prospect over the office of president general.

THE official order for a retiring board to pass upon Col. William A. Elderkin, commissary of the department of the Missouri, was issued. Col. Elderkin resists retirement, although he is in bad health, in order not to cut his wife out of a pension after his death.

THE naval court of inquiry into the Maine disaster sailed for Havana on the 20th. Capt. Sigbee telegraphed to Washington from Havana that he had not expressed any opinion on the cause of the disaster. Secretary Long, of the navy department, said that there was nothing new to communicate about the wreck. A report from Key West, Fla., said that the Maine wounded were doing well.

THE ships of the American navy went out of mourning for the victims of the Maine disaster at sunset on the 19th. The official funeral having taken place at Havana, the government at Washington considered that the logical end of the mourning period and gave orders to that effect.

GENERAL NEWS.

A CLEVELAND, O., dispatch stated that the Central Coal & Coke company, comprising every soft coal road in Ohio, will begin operations on March 1. It will supervise all the coal business of operators and railroads in the Ohio coal traffic and coal associations, estimated to be 10,000,000 tons annually.

THE Burbank block and its contents at Pittsfield, Mass., were destroyed by fire. Loss, \$100,000, with insurance of about \$50,000.

THE deaths at St. Louis for the week ended the 19th were 188, 40 of them being caused by pneumonia and other diseases of the respiratory organs. During the corresponding week in 1897 214 deaths occurred.

GEN. LEW WALLACE has been challenged to a duel by George E. Oakes, of Indianapolis, Ind. Wallace, in an address delivered at Lebanon, Ind., on Lincoln day, told an unpublished story reflecting on Gen. McClellan's courage and Oakes denounced it as false and challenged Wallace to a meeting on the field of honor. The affair has caused much excitement throughout Indiana.

WILLIAM J. SCANLAN, the actor, died on the 19th at the Bloomingdale insane asylum at White Plains, N. Y., where he had long been a patient.

JOSEPH ADAMS and Thomas Barnes fought a duel over a woman at Dallas, Tex., the other night, in which the former was shot through the body and has since died and the latter was reported dying from wounds inflicted with a bowie knife. The men had been rivals and met unexpectedly and then sprang upon each other.

AN epidemic of gripe was reported on the 30th to be raging in Chicago.

NEAR Clifton, Ok., George Sawyer, aged 17, was killed by the accidental discharge of a gun in his brother's hands.

NEAR Cushing, Ok., Ambrose Georgia, a farmer, quarreled with his tenant, John White, over a crop settlement and Georgia was fatally stabbed.

A SEVERE snowstorm recently caused the collision of two passenger trains on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad in a deep cut six miles south of Rockford, Ill. Both engines were demolished, Engineer Tilden was instantly killed and a score of persons injured.

IN a jealous fit George Bernhardt shot and killed his employer, Reinhardt Losier, and fatally wounded Mary Reinhardt at Philadelphia the other night.

A DISPATCH from Vinita, I. T., on the 10th said that there was much excitement in that place over the war scare and many patriotic Indians were ready to offer themselves as volunteers in case of war.

THE Madrid correspondent of the London Standard stated on the 20th that the Spanish government was convinced that the Maine disaster, instead of estranging, would tend to improve relations between Spain and the United States.

THE Kentucky house of representatives passed a resolution urging their congressmen and senators to use all possible efforts to secure the recognition of the Cuban patriots and free republic.

THE appointment of Count Cassipi as Russian ambassador to the United States was gazetted at St. Petersburg on the 18th.

JOSEPH LEITER, of Chicago, made an emphatic denial that he disposed of 5,000,000 bushels of his May holdings of wheat during the excited trading of a day or two ago. He was credited with making a profit of \$500,000. He said: "I not only did not sell a bushel of wheat, but bought wheat. The current price are only the beginning of a range from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per bushel. That is what I propose to sell my wheat at."

A REPORT that the Illinois Central is about to buy the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham road from the Kansas City, Fort Scot & Memphis was credited recently by many railroad men at Kansas City and other places.

A COMMUNICATION was recently received by Acting Gov. Jenkins from A. J. Blackwell, founder of the town of Blackwell, Ok., that a state of riot had existed in that town for several days and that he and the five negroes he recently brought to the town and sold property to had been besieged in his house. He called upon the governor for protection.

THE secret service of the treasury department has discovered a new counterfeit \$10 national bank note. It is on the Hibernalian national bank, of New Orleans, series 1882, check letter B, Rosecrans register, Nebeker treasurer. It is a photographic production of poor workmanship.

A BUFFALO (N. Y.) telegram on the 15th said that a number of men, estimated at between 20 and 30, who were fishing through the ice on Lake Erie, were believed to have lost their lives or were adrift on the ice on the lake.

C. N. QUINN, assistant government engineer, has served notice on the dredgeboat Florida, stopping the operation of dredges in the Port Arthur ship channel in Texas. The order was issued by the war department at Washington.

A SPECIAL from Juneau, Alaska, of February 12, confirmed the news of the loss of the Clara Nevada and said: The cause of the disaster was doubtless the explosion of her boilers. Of the 50 people on board none are believed to have been saved.

PEOPLE of every class in Madrid denounced in the strongest fashion the insinuation on the part of the American press that the Spanish nation was in any way responsible for the Maine disaster at Havana, which was ascribed by the majority to an accident, and by some to the work of Cubans, anxious to embroil the United States with Spain. Should the United States government officially re-echo the charges of the American press a declaration of war, it was said, would follow at once without waiting for further action from America.

At the conference of the leaders of the Creek Indians at Okmulgee, I. T., resolutions were passed declaring that as a nation they opposed the allotment of their lands in severalty and asking the principal chief to have a vote taken by the chiefs of their respective towns on the subject and forward it to their delegates in congress. As soon as the conference had adjourned Chief Isparhecher issued a letter to all Creek judges to enforce the nation's laws and to oppose the recent legislation of congress abolishing their courts.

REV. SAM P. JONES, the evangelist, returned to his home at Cartersville, Ga., on the 19th from a western lecturing tour and in the evening issued a formal announcement of his candidacy for governor, which has created a big sensation in Chicago. He has not yet announced his platform, but it was said he would oppose especially Georgia's free school system.

S. P. WINSLOW, agent for an embroidering machine, whose home is at Springfield, Ill., fasted 18 days at a hotel at Guthrie, Ok., in order that he might be forgiven for sin. It was thought that he was insane.

THE attorney general of Colorado has furnished an opinion that there is no law for women in that state dropping their maiden name on the simple excuse of a wedding. The man is nothing more than a party to a contract, he says, and cannot demonstrate his mental superiority by forcing his family name on the bride. The opinion is sweeping.

IN the Gown coal mine of the Choctaw Coal company, at Hartshorne, I. T., Maron Betras, a Syrian employe of the company, let a mule escape from him. He went in pursuit of the mule, which ran into a condemned room full of gas, which Betras' lamp ignited. The mule was incinerated and Betras himself was burned about the back, breast, neck and arms. His recovery was considered doubtful.

ALL records were broken at St. Louis on 'change on the 17th when May wheat advanced to \$1.08 1/2, 2 1/2 cents higher than the previous day's close.

THE passenger and freight steamboat Ericsson, which plied between Philadelphia and Baltimore, Md., sank in the Delaware river off Wilmington, Del., on the 16th. The passengers were all taken off.

ACCORDING to a declaration of the state department at Washington on the 17th Spain has officially disclaimed in a positive manner the reflections contained in the De Lome letter and that incident is satisfactorily closed.

AT Bellmont, Ill., John Curran killed himself and wife in a fit of jealous rage.

THE corn convention began at Chicago on the 16th. F. D. Coburn, of Kansas, was chosen chairman. After a speech by Mr. Coburn, Mr. Murphy, of Chicago, presented information regarding the corn movement. J. R. Rippey, of Missouri, and Col. Thomas W. Harrison, of Kansas, were named as two of the members of the national executive committee. Plans were outlined for extensive exhibitions of corn at the Omaha and Buffalo expositions.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES. The large establishment of the Niedringhaus House Furnishing company at St. Louis was totally destroyed by fire on the 21st, resulting in a loss of more than \$50,000 on stock and building; fully insured.

THE United States military and naval authorities are actively engaged in making legitimate arrangements for emergencies. The present available supply of powder is considerable, the Frankfort arsenal at Philadelphia is turning out about 70,000 cartridges per day and can double the output when necessary, and the ordnance factories are making encouraging progress on guns and carriages for sea-coast and field artillery.

THE Cuban insurgents, a Washington dispatch stated, will gladly accept the proposition for a suspension of hostilities and mediation by the United States looking to the independence of the island for a financial consideration. The new wharf at Tampico, Mex., the finest on the American continent, was destroyed by fire, together with the custom house. Loss, \$2,000,000.

THE senate on the 21st passed a resolution for the naval affairs committee to make an investigation into the Maine disaster and also the house resolution appropriating \$200,000 for recovering property from the wreck. The census bill was then debated. Private bills were considered in the house. The sundry civil appropriation bill was also reported. A resolution was also introduced for an appropriation of \$100,000 for a monument at New York to the Maine victims.

A DISASTROUS fire occurred at Prescott, Ariz., the other night, by which the Johnson hotel was totally destroyed and the guests had a narrow escape for their lives. As it was they lost nearly everything.

SOME peculiar disease, a Webster City, Ia., dispatch of the 21st said, was destroying the lives of the cats in that vicinity. The highways in the country especially being strewn with the carcasses of dead felines.

THE court of inquiry got down to work at Havana on the 21st for the investigation into the cause of the disaster to the battleship Maine, Capt. Sigbee being the first witness. Capt. Sampson, the president of the court, has announced that nothing of importance will be made public until all the testimony has been received and the findings considered. The divers brought up Capt. Sigbee's state documents and the keys to the magazine.

NATIONAL LAWMAKERS.

Work of the Fifty-Fifth Congress from Day to Day in Brief.

A SPIRITED debate was caused in the senate on the 15th by the resolution of Senator Harris (Kan.) calling upon the attorney general for the reasons which induced him to abandon his plan of redeeming the first mortgage bonds of the Kansas Pacific railroad and having the road operated by a receiver. Senator Harris denounced the present plan to sell the road at the bid of the reorganization committee as defrauding the government out of something more than \$6,000,000. After striking out the preamble the resolution was adopted. The Hawaiian treaty was then debated in executive session. The house devoted the day to the consideration of bills and joint resolutions presented under the call of committees and 16 of more or less public importance were passed. Mr. Cooney (Mo.) asked why his resolution asking for information about the accounting of the receiver of the First national bank of Sedalla, Mo., had not been reported from the committee. Mr. Johnson (Ind.) on behalf of the banking committee, explained that the report had been delayed, but would be made probably the next day. Mr. Cox (Tenn.) reported a bill "to better control and to promote the safety of national banks" and it was passed. Bills were also passed empowering registers and receivers of land offices to issue subpoenas and to repeal the statute requiring affirmative proof of loyalty by holders of bounty or land warrants. The Grosvenor bill for arbitration of labor disputes was reported back to the house with amendments by the labor committee. An order was also entered for the consideration of the Loud bill relating to second-class mail matter on March 1, 2 and 3.

THE senate on the 16th passed the fortifications bill after increasing the amount appropriated for powder and projectiles from \$50,000 to \$50,118. In the executive session Senator Morrill (Vt.) occupied the entire time with a speech opposing the ratification of the Hawaiian annexation treaty. The debate on the bankruptcy bill was opened up in the house, but it attracted little attention, the interest being absorbed about the news of the disaster to the battleship Maine. Just before adjournment Mr. Boutelle (Me.), chairman of the naval committee, presented a resolution expressing sympathy with the families of those who had lost their lives or were injured in the disaster to the Maine. It was unanimously adopted.

AFTER a spirited debate in the senate on the 17th the resolution of Senator Turpie (Ind.), declaring the senate's opposition to the confirmation of the sale of the Kansas Pacific railroad, was passed by a vote of 31 to 29. Remarks in favor of the resolution were made by Senators Harris (Kan.) and Rawlins (I. T.), and in opposition by Senators Thurston (Wash.) and Gear (Ia.). The bankruptcy bill dragged along in a listless manner in the house, the debate being overshadowed by the disaster to the battleship Maine. It is probable that the families of the victims of the Maine explosion will be cared for, as Mr. McClellan (N. Y.) introduced a joint resolution appropriating \$150,000 for this purpose.

IN the senate on the 18th Senator Hale (Me.) introduced a joint resolution at the request of Secretary Long, of the navy department, for an appropriation of \$200,000 for the purpose of recovering the remains of officers and men lost on the Maine and saving as much of the battleship and her equipment as possible. After being amended with a provision for transporting the dead bodies to the United States it was passed. An exciting debate occurred over the resolution of Senator Allen (Neb.) for an investigation by the senate naval committee into the disaster to the Maine. Senator Mason (Ill.) proposed a substitute for an investigation by a joint committee of the two houses, so as not to have any facts covered up. He also denounced the administration for its Cuban policy. Sharp replies were made by Senators Wolcott (Col.) and Lodge (Mass.). A joint resolution for a tablet to the dead victims of the Maine battleship on the wall of stationary hall in the capitol was referred. After considering resolutions on the death of Ashley B. Wright, late a representative from Massachusetts, the senate as a mark of respect to his memory adjourned to the 21st. The house unanimously adopted the resolution passed by the senate for an appropriation of \$200,000 for recovering what was possible of the men and appurtenances of the Maine. A bill was also introduced appropriating \$4,000,000 to build another battleship to replace the wrecked Maine. The bankruptcy bill then took up the rest of the time.

THE senate was not in session on the 19th. The house passed the Henderson bankruptcy bill by a vote of 158 yeas to 125 nays. The vote showed that 18 republicans voted against the bill and 12 democrats for it. An amendment to strike out the involuntary feature was defeated.

DIPPING CATTLE.

Stations May Be Established at St. Louis and Kansas City.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 19.—Congressman Dinsmore, of Arkansas, has had several interviews with Secretary of Agriculture Wilson in the past few days in regard to the establishment of dipping stations for Arkansas cattle. Some weeks ago Secretary Wilson decided that if the Arkansas cattle were properly dipped there would be no necessity for the quarantine regulations which have heretofore prevailed. Since that time the members of the Arkansas delegation have been solicitous that the dipping stations be established with as little delay as possible. It was first proposed to establish them on the railroads running from Arkansas into Missouri at the points where the roads enter Missouri territory. Secretary Wilson has now concluded that probably it would be best for all interests to have the dipping stations established at St. Louis and at Kansas City. If this is done, the Arkansas cattle will be shipped to St. Louis and to Kansas City under the same strict regulations that those cattle shipped for immediate slaughter are now allowed to enter the St. Louis and Kansas City markets.

INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD New Cult Organized with Mrs. Tingley as Supreme Head.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—The Theosophical Society of America, which met in annual convention in this city Saturday, celebrated the close of the Kali Yuga (which, according to the Asiatic philosophy followed by the Theosophists, was the fourth cycle of 5,000 years each of human progress) by a complete change of government. Autonomy was overthrown and an autocracy was established, with Mrs. Katharine A. Tingley as the spiritual head. Theosophy, as a name, was given a subordinate place and the International Brotherhood league was the new title with which the movement was christened. An active crusade will be inaugurated for the purpose of interesting the common people in the cult.

News for the Wheelmen.

The League of American Wheelmen numbers nearly 2,000 below the 100,000 mark within the last few weeks. In spite of this startling diminution, the maximum of health may be attained by those who use the comforting and thorough tonic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which promotes digestion, a healthy flow of bile, regularity of the bowels, and counteracts kidney trouble. It is, moreover, a remedy for and preventive of malaria and rheumatism.

A Useful Request.

Cumso—I hear that Mr. Scadds left \$100,000 to Yellvard university. Cawker—Is it to be applied to any particular purpose, such as the endowment of a chair? "The money is to be used for the endowment of a football hospital."—Puck.

A Puzzled Infant.

"Paw," asked the little boy, who had been tackling statistics in the daily paper, "how does it come that most of the whiskey and beer is drunk by people in the temperate zone?"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The Back-Biter.

"The back-biter," remarked the observer of men and things, "is usually somebody who has been frustrated in the attempt to get white meat off the breast."—Detroit Journal.

Information Wanted.

Teacher—At what age does a man usually get bald? Bright Pupil—What kind of a man—married or single?—Chicago Evening News.

The inventor of suspenders that will not pull the buttons off will have a bigger fortune than a shareholder in Klondike.—Washington Democrat.

Actors, Vocalists, Public Speakers praise Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

When a boy can't think of anything else to do he eats something.—Washington Democrat.

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