

THE WORLD AT LARGE.

Summary of the Daily News.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

WHELOCK G. VEAZEY, of Vermont, formerly a member of the interstate commerce commission, died at Washington on the 23d. He resigned from the commission about a year ago on account of failing health. He was a well-known G. A. R. man and helped found the order in Vermont.

THE republican sub-committee of the house committee on banking and currency laid before the full committee a bill "to provide for strengthening the public credit, for the relief of the United States treasury and for the amendment of the laws relating to national banking associations." The purpose of the bill is to throw upon the national banks the entire burden of finding gold for the notes of the country.

The feeling was universal throughout official circles in Washington on the 23d that the culmination of the Spanish crisis was near at hand. The president held earnest conferences with party leaders of congress and there was exceptional activity towards emergency preparations in the war and navy departments.

THE navy department at Washington, it was said on the 23d, had arranged to withdraw all its naval officers at Havana and will probably arrange to have the wreck of the ill-fated battleship Maine blown up.

In response to his open declaration on the Cuban question, Congressman Broderick, of Kansas, is receiving letters by the bundle at Washington from his Kansas constituents, offering their services in case of war with Spain. The letters come from men in all walks of life and offers were received from several volunteer companies and battalions.

The president on the 24th named Judson W. Lyons (colored), of Georgia, as register of the treasury to succeed the late Blanche M. Bruce.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY, in conference with some of the house congressional leaders on the 24th, stated emphatically that he would avert war if possible and expressed his hope that he could do so.

ADVICES were received at Washington on the 24th that the Spanish torpedo flotilla had sailed from the Canary islands for Porto Rico and it was considered by the United States government to involve serious possibilities. Naval strategists informed President McKinley that this fleet must not be allowed to reach western waters. The situation was considered, but the conclusion reached was not known.

CERTAIN conservative senators at Washington, whose purpose it is to stave off a Cuban crisis, have presented a new plan to the president. They propose that this government shall do no more at first than to feed the starving. An appropriation of \$250,000 is mentioned as the beginning for this kind of intervention. The sum of \$5,000,000 is talked of as likely to be needed before the reconcentrados in Cuba could be restored to their homes and made self-supporting.

EX-SENATOR BLACKBURN, of Kentucky, suffered a stroke of paralysis of the heart at Washington on the 25th. He had been to Newport News to attend the launching of the battleships the previous day and had arrived in Washington and was walking from the boat to his carriage when he suddenly became unconscious. Later he regained consciousness and his recovery was predicted.

COMMODORE SCHLEY, at present connected with the lighthouse board at Washington, has been ordered to command the flying squadron at Hampton roads, with the Brooklyn as his flagship.

PRESIDENT MCKINLEY and his cabinet held two extended sessions on the 25th and considered the report of the court of inquiry into the Maine disaster in detail. The findings of the court were that the battleship was wrecked by an outside explosion, due to a submarine mine, the court being unable to fix the responsibility. Minister Woodford, at Madrid, was cabled to notify the Spanish government of the conclusion arrived at by the court.

GENERAL NEWS.

BALL BROS.' immense fruit jar glass factory at Muncie, Ind., burned, causing a loss of \$60,000.

A DISPATCH from Pittsburgh, Pa., stated that the tin plate combination was disrupted and there was such a slaughter in prices that the Welsh product was practically excluded because prices were so low.

COTTON buyers and brokers of Texas were said to be alarmed at the situation in their business because they find it impossible to secure insurance on export cotton from either Galveston or New Orleans, as the insurance people will not accept the cotton with the present war cloud hovering over the country.

THE house of Edward Hansman, at Kent, Minn., was burned early the other morning and all the family perished in the flames, including Mr. Hansman, his wife and five children. The bodies were afterwards recovered, burned beyond recognition.

THE Associated press on the 27th published a complete abstract of the report of the court of inquiry which investigated the wreckage of the battleship Maine, the abstract being obtained from the report itself. The report is made up of eight parts. The court deduces that a mine was exploded under the ship on the port side, which caused the explosion of two magazines. The Maine's officers were held to be entirely blameless. The court also declares that it cannot find evidence to fix the responsibility.

NEBRASKA was struck by one of the worst storms of the season, an Omaha dispatch of the 27th stated. Ten inches of snow fell through the state. Sheepmen were apprehensive about their stock, but the wheat fields were safe, being covered with a thick blanket of snow.

HUNDREDS of cattle that had been brought into the Osage, Kaw, Otoe and other reservations in the Indian territory from the south have died from exposure to the recent cold and wet weather.

BURT WALSH, a farm hand in the employ of Mrs. Emma Stover, near Brownsville, Wis., quarreled with her and shot her twice with a revolver and then killed himself.

SHERWOOD S. CUMMING, recently receiving teller of the First national bank at Cincinnati, who pleaded guilty to embezzling \$28,000 from the bank, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

JUST before the Olivette left Havana for Key West, Fla., on the 26th with Capt. Sigsbee on board as a passenger for home, Consul General Lee, on behalf of the newspaper men, presented the commander of the wrecked battleship Maine with a large floral piece intended to represent a ship. The speeches were short and all persons present were much affected.

TEXAS cattle owners have leased from the federal government the Kiowa and Comanche Indian territory reservations, including about 2,000,000 acres of pasture land.

CONGRESS will be asked by the navy department to adopt a joint resolution, already prepared, providing for the enrollment and organization of the United States auxiliary naval force for coast defense. The passage of the resolution will be urged by Mr. Roosevelt and Secretary Long, who believe that it is necessary such an organization shall be perfected in order that the government may have properly trained men for the second line of defense scheme to be worked in connection with the naval militia.

MRS. JANE WINCHESTER, widow of the founder of the Winchester Repeating Arms company, died at New Haven, Conn., aged 91 years. Her estate was estimated to be worth \$40,000,000.

THE astronomers of the University of California at Berkeley on the 25th had completed their computation of the comet recently discovered by Prof. Perrine, of the Lick observatory, and, according to them, it will become brighter and remain in sight for some time. It was said to be traveling toward the earth at the rate of 1,000,000 miles a day. It is visible about four o'clock in the morning.

MAJ. GEN. MILES, in discussing the American-Spanish situation, said that the personnel of the United States army was never in a finer condition than it is to-day and, man for man, it was more than a match for any European power as regarded personnel, equipments, discipline and patriotism, and we had practically the entire able-bodied American male population to draw upon to support the regulars, if necessary.

THE Madrid Imparcial on the 25th said: "The United States are brutally forcing Spain into a conflict. To send the Maine report to congress is equivalent to throwing a torch into a barrel of gunpowder."

A CHICAGO dispatch stated that George T. Nicholson had been appointed general passenger and traffic manager of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway to succeed W. F. White, who died recently. The appointment is to take effect May 1.

POSTMASTER MARTIN FISHER, of Creekside, Pa., was drowned while attempting to ford a creek to get a mail pouch from the carrier. He was warned not to go, but he said the mails were more important than his life.

THE United States attorney general stated that there had not been any writs of injunction or restraining orders issued by federal courts against labor organizations or their members engaged in strikes during the years 1897 and 1898.

GEN. L. W. COLBY, of Omaha, Neb., tendered to President McKinley 25,000 American volunteers for service in Cuba in case of intervention by this government and the offer has been referred to the war department. Colby was several months organizing this corps and he estimated that it will require \$1,250,000 to arm and transport it to Cuba, of which about \$400,000 has been subscribed.

AN application to the Ohio state board of health for information as to the best means of treating rabies in live stock showed a condition approaching panic in the southern part of Paulding county. Several weeks ago a strange mastiff appeared on the McDonough farm and when an attempt was made to feed him he sprang at McDonough and lacerated his face horribly. The dog was at once killed, but he had already bitten a number of horses and cows. McDonough has died.

A COMBINATION train, made up of a chair coach and six ore cars, on the South Park & Hill Top railroad in Colorado, was blown from the track on the 26th and rolled down an embankment. Eight persons sustained severe cuts and bruises.

THE steamer Greenland returned from the seal fisheries to St. Johns, N. F., on the 26th and reported a terrible disaster. While members of the crew were traveling among the icefloes in search of seals a blizzard arose and many of them could not regain the vessel. Forty-eight men perished and between 50 and 60 were so badly frost-bitten that the amputation of one or more of their limbs will have to be undergone by all of them. It was feared that other steamers had suffered in like manner.

AT least 14 people were killed and much loss of property resulted from a tornado that struck Lehigh and Coal Gate on the night of the 26th and moved a path to South McAlester, I. T. The dead, so far as known, are James Seafoam, wife and three children; Alex Pendergrass and family, and Samuel Stinson, wife and five children. The homes of several farmers were picked up and carried away.

THE Oxford and Cambridge boat race from Putney (Eng.) to Mortlake, 4 1/2 miles, was won by Oxford in 22 minutes and 15 seconds.

ADVICES from Port-au-Prince, Hayti, on the 26th reported a terrible financial condition existing there. The premium on gold was 230 per cent., the greatest misery and starvation prevailed in the interior and flour cost \$30 a barrel.

TWO tramps built a coal fire in an old basin the other night, put it into a refrigerator car in the Frisco yards at Fayetteville, Ark., and went to sleep by it. A third tramp climbed into the car, shut the door and also went to sleep. In the morning another tramp entered the car. He noticed the coal smoke, but thought nothing of it and fell asleep. An hour later a tramp, who slept in another car, went to wake his friends, and found two of them dead and the other two unconscious.

INTENSE feeling was created among the officers of the torpedo boats at Key West, Fla., at the news that the Spanish torpedo flotilla had sailed from the Canary islands for Porto Rico. They said that the flotilla was a greater menace to the United States fleet than if all the rest of the Spanish navy was brought to those waters, Porto Rico being nearer Key West than Cuba.

THE Spanish report of the board of inquiry into the cause of the wreck of the Maine, according to a Madrid dispatch of the 25th, states that it is "scientifically and practically demonstrated that the explosion was internal."

HEAVY floods have done great damage at Richmond, Ind. The bridge over the Whitewater river was destroyed, the city electric light plant was drowned out, the streets were badly damaged and many people were driven from their homes.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

THE agricultural department has just issued an interesting pamphlet on the subject of forest growth and sheep grazing in the Cascade mountains of Oregon.

ARNER CHENEY GOODALL died at Salem, Mass., aged 93 years. He perfected the first printing press that printed on both sides in one operation. His inventions in this line became the foundation of the present newspaper press. He also invented the cracker machine and perfected the preparation of copper and steel plates for use by engravers.

CONSUL GENERAL LEE, at Havana, was advised by President McKinley of his intention to send a message to congress on the 28th and telling him to take precautions for protecting the lives of himself and other Americans in Cuba in the event of a radical step being taken by congress, an outbreak by the Spaniards being feared.

THE United States government has presented, through Minister Woodford at Madrid, a carefully prepared note dealing with the distressing condition of affairs in Cuba, and making clear that this government cannot much longer withhold such definite action as will bring the present struggle and the suffering it is occasioning to a close. It can be stated positively that the Spanish answer has been made.

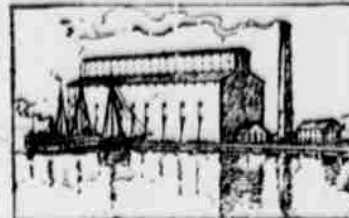
FRANK BELEW, at Fairfield, Cal., announced his intention of pleading guilty to the murder of his brother and sister. He signed a statement in writing that he committed the crime, declaring that he did not know what motive prompted it.

THE levee on the Wabash river at Sullivan, Ind., gave way on the night of the 28th. Twenty thousand acres of land were overflowed and hundreds of families were rendered homeless and destitute.

A MESSAGE from the president on the findings of the court in the Maine disaster was read in the senate and the house on the 28th and referred to their respective committees on foreign relations. The death of Congressman Simpkins, of Massachusetts, was then announced in the two chambers and both the senate and the house adjourned as a mark of respect to his memory.

WHILE insane from drink Marion Sadler at Cedar Rapids, Ia., attempted to kill his wife and son. After firing four shots without effect the son shot his father in the stomach, fatally wounding him. Sympathy was with the son.

Reports of Delegates Who Have Visited Western Canada.



The following letters have been selected from a large number of those sent by delegates to report on Western Canada to their friends in Michigan, and as a result of which hundreds of people expect to leave this spring for the Free Grant Lands of Western Canada.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 10, 1897.  
Mr. M. V. McInnes, Chief Colonization Agent, Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir: We are pleased to state to you that we have found the country in the vicinity of Alameda fully up to what you and Mr. Keller had represented it to be. It is in fact an ideal location for mixed farming. The soil is the best we ever saw, and as the farmers were all busy at threshing, we had an excellent chance to see its productive quality, which cannot be surpassed anywhere. The cattle could not be in better condition. We saw two-year-old steers equal to three-year-olds raised in most places, and these, as all others are about Alameda, were fed on native hay in winter and herded in summer. As we had previous to this visited the Northwestern States in behalf of a large number of farmers, to locate suitable land for mixed farming, we are now in a position to say that the Alameda district of Western Canada surpasses them all. The country is equal to that about Thuringen in Germany. We were rather skeptic before starting, and our intention was to settle in spring, if we were suited, but we have now decided to move at once—that is, as early this fall as we possibly can. We left Mr. Riedel at Alameda, and take back his report, and we will take his family and effects with us when we go. Yours sincerely,  
(Signed) ALBERT MAL, FRED GOTTOWSKI.

Alameda, N. W. T., Aug. 31, 1897.  
Dear Friends of Saginaw:

Those desiring to secure a good and sure home will do well to take our advice and examine the land in the neighborhood of Alameda, as we know that everyone who sees this land will be agreeably surprised. Before seeing this land we were partly in doubt as to moving here, but after looking it over we at once decided to make our home here, and we beg those of our friends who are desirous of securing farms not to let this chance slip by, as the soil is of the best and the water cannot be excelled. The finest wheat we ever saw is also raised here. We shall return home in haste, straighten out our affairs and move here at once. Yours truly,  
(Signed) WILLIAM GOTTOWSKI, ALBERT MAL, WILLIAM RIEDEL, (of Saginaw.)

Ludington, Mich., Nov. 1, 1897.  
M. V. McInnes, Esq., Colonization Agent, Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir: We have just returned from the West, and were exceedingly well pleased with the country. We are going back to take up our homesteads in early spring. We received \$35.00 per month and board, working for farmers, and the board was the best we ever had—the beef and mutton especially were excellent. The fine flavor is owing to the fine grasses which the cattle and sheep feed upon. The people are very hospitable and treat their hired help with much kindness.

The grain is much heavier than here, wheat being 62 lbs. to the bushel, oats 48 lbs. and barley often 55 lbs.

Any man with a good team and money enough to buy provisions and seed for six months can become rich there in five years. Many people who arrived there five years ago with little or nothing are well off now. One man I met had his wheat from last year and was offered \$16,000 for this year's crop and what he had held over from last year, and is holding it at \$1.00 per bushel. We are going back in the spring to work for this same farmer until seeding, after which we will homestead between seeding and harvest. We think we will settle on the Manitoba & Northwestern R. R. You can refer anyone to us for this part of the country while we are here and we will cheerfully answer any questions which anyone may wish to ask. Yours truly,  
(Signed) CHAS. HAWLEY, JOSEPH DOLA.



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Talking of weather signs, it is fair to suppose that, when allspice is adulterated with coconut shells, the season will be mild.—Rural New Yorker.

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Hopeful Words to Childless Women.

The darkest days of husband and wife are when they come to look forward to a childless and desolate old age.

Many a wife has found herself incapable of motherhood owing to some great lack of strength in the organs of generation. Such a condition is nearly always due to long continued neglect of the plainest warnings.

Frequent backache and distressing pains accompanied by offensive discharges and generally by irregular and scanty menstruation, indicate a nerve degeneration of the womb and surrounding organs, that unless speedily checked will result in barrenness.

Read Mrs. Wilson's letter: DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—No one could have suffered from female troubles more than I. I had tumors on the womb, my ovaries were diseased, and for fifteen years I was a burden to myself. I was operated upon three different times, with only temporary relief; also tried many doctors. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound was recommended to me by a lady friend, and after taking four bottles I was like a new woman. I had been married nine years, and had no children. I now have a beautiful little girl, and we feel assured she is the result of my taking the Compound.—MAY B. WILSON, 323 Sassafras St., Millville, N. J.

Modern science and past experience have produced nothing so effective in treating diseases of the female organs as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Sanative Wash according to special directions. If you know any woman who is suffering and who is unable to secure relief, or who is sorrowful because she believes herself barren, tell her to write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., and ask her advice. The thousands of Mrs. Pinkham's cures are all recorded for quick reference, and a reply will be promptly sent wholly without charge, that will direct her what to do. Mrs. B. BLUM, 4940 San Francisco Ave., St. Louis, Mo., writes:—"It has been my great desire to have a babe. Since taking your medicine my wish is fulfilled."

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