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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

To Honor John Ericsson.

A Philadelphian has offered \$5,000 toward the building of a memorial for John Ericsson, the inventor of the monitor, provided others will subscribe \$25,000.

Cost of Railway Equipment.

Statistics of the Massachusetts Railway commissioners show that the average cost of railway equipment per mile of main track in that state last year was \$46,149.

First Jewess to Sit on a Throne.

The princess of Monaco, the smallest kingdom in the world, is the first Jewess to sit on a European throne. She was a Miss Heine, and was first married to the duke of Richelieu.

No Better Ever Afloat.

The three new battleships whose designs have been accepted will cost \$7,000,000 each and be able to cruise 7,000 miles with one coaling. No more powerful vessels were ever afloat.

Unique Gift to a Library.

A Hartford lady has sent a unique gift to the New York public library. It consists of a package containing 1,000 bills of fare collected from hotels and restaurants in all parts of the world.

Just Like Any Other Man.

Gen. Fred Grant tells an interviewer in the Philippines that he is not a candidate for vice president and is doing nothing to secure it, but that he should like such a nomination "just as any other man naturally would."

No Such Thing as Absolute Silence.

Photography of sounds has reached a point said to establish the fact that there is no such thing as absolute silence. The machine used is so sensitive that it records the lightest current of air passing through a room and distant noises the ear cannot detect.

Monster Christian Endeavor Convention.

A monster convention of the Society of Christian Endeavor is to be held at the Alexander palace, London, from July 14 to July 20. The society already includes some 53,000 branches, with a membership of 3,000,000. Preparations are being made for an attendance of 40,000, of whom at least 5,000 are expected from America. Australia will also be largely represented.

Unextinguished Fires.

A writer in the Forester says that the forest fires in northern Colorado, which in recent years have denuded extensive areas, are largely the result of carelessness on the part of hunters and campers. During a recent trip through the mountains he found three unextinguished camp fires, and by tracing two forest fires he found that their origin was in camp fires. These burned areas were of 100 and 300 acres.

Barbed Wire and War.

One of the strange results of the war in South Africa is an increase in the price of barbed wire in America. It is certain that there is an enormous demand for barbed wire in South Africa, and the market there has been almost entirely stripped of the stuff. The wire is used by both Boers and British in strengthening kopjes and field positions. It was found useful for the purpose during the Cuban insurrection and again in the Philippines.

Will Be a Missionary Exhibit.

One of the special features of the ecumenical conference on foreign missions to be held in New York in April will be a missionary exhibit. Material is being gathered from every missionary land in order to vividly present, through the eye, the social and moral conditions of the peoples among whom the missionaries are laboring. It will be the endeavor also to make it as far as possible a progressive exhibit, showing the results of 100 years of missionary effort.

The Negro in Business.

During the last 30 years the negro business men in the United States have made gratifying progress. There are now at least 5,000 of them, the term "business man" being interpreted to include all with stocks of goods to sell and all others who have at least \$500 of capital invested. Thirty-six capitalists are reported with about \$750,000 invested. There are four negro banks and several large insurance companies. Thirteen colored building and loan associations are reported.

Most Lovable of All.

Most lovable and most deeply loved of all the famous children of Lyman Beecher was Rev. Thomas Kinnicutt Beecher, who died recently in Elmira, N. Y. In the matter of money he was what most people would call entirely irresponsible. Almost every penny which came into his hands he at once gave away to the poor, and he and his wife would have wanted often for the necessities of life but for the watchful care of a committee of his congregation, who looked after his financial care.

OKLAHOMA STANDS FIRST.

The Territory Placed by Life Insurance Tables as Having the Smallest Death Rate in the United States.

Guthrie, Ok., March 27.—The issuance of a recent bulletin of health by leading insurance companies has attracted the attention of the people of this territory and shown them the importance of advertising the territory as a health resort. The companies have compiled a death rate table, and Oklahoma stands at the head of the list, having the smallest annual death rate per 1,000. Kansas comes next, followed by Nevada, Washington and Wyoming, while the New England states, New York and the District of Columbia are classed as the unhealthiest. The percentage in Oklahoma is but 7.47 per 1,000; that of the District of Columbia, 28.50.

Compulsory Medical Examination.

Chicago, March 27.—The law providing for compulsory medical examination of school children as a precaution against exposing pupils to contagious diseases was sustained in the superior court yesterday. Judge Ball decided against the petitioner in mandamus proceedings to compel the board of education to admit to school a girl who had been ill for several weeks and who presented a certificate from the family physician, and upheld the action of the board in refusing to admit the girl without official examination. The case will be appealed. As an argument in favor of the law the board states that of the 54,000 pupils examined since January 8, 3,400 were excluded.

Miss Helen Gould Maintaining Chaplains.

Washington, March 27.—The Star yesterday said: "A visitor at the white house, referring to the lack of chaplains with the volunteer regiments in the Philippines and elsewhere, says that Miss Helen Gould, of New York, is maintaining nine or ten chaplains in the army at her own expense. These men are not officially recognized as chaplains, but as ministers and Y. M. C. A. workers they voluntarily and unofficially do practically the same work. Miss Gould, it is stated, pays each one of these men \$90 a month and their expenses."

A Sensation in Court.

Terre Haute, Ind., March 27.—The circuit court room yesterday morning was the scene of a sensation, when Frank C. Mallory, whose divorced wife's relatives were beginning suit to have him declared dead, walked in and interrupted the proceedings. Mallory has been missing for more than five years and under the law he could be declared dead and his estate forfeited. Further litigation is to be instituted.

Another Proposition from Kruger.

New York, March 27.—A dispatch to the Herald from London says: Your correspondent had a long talk with a distinguished Boer, whose name cannot be disclosed, though it may be stated that he is a relative of President Kruger. He said that President Kruger's delegates, who are coming to Europe, bring with them a proposition from the small republics to the greatest republic—the United States.

A Million-Dollar Fee.

Washington, March 27.—James B. Dill, the New York attorney who brought harmony and tranquil business relations between Andrew Carnegie and H. C. Frick, the iron kings, will now rank as one of the most wonderful corporation attorneys of the country. Mr. Dill's fee will be an even \$1,000,000. Mr. Dill, when a very young man, was a reporter on the Chicago Tribune.

To Build More "Zion" Cities.

Waukegan, Ill., March 27.—The promoters of Dowie's Zion city, near here, are busy securing factories to locate there. Dr. Dowie says he intends to establish in time Zions near all the great cities of the world, including New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Kansas City, San Francisco, Vancouver, Seattle, London, Paris, Berlin, St. Petersburg and Constantinople.

Appalling Loss of Life.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 27.—The annual report of James Roderick, chief of the state bureau of mines and mining, contains a chapter dealing with mine accidents and their causes. In the 30 years from 1870 to 1899, the report states 9,575 lives were lost in and about the anthracite coal mines of Pennsylvania.

Divorced from His Sixth White Wife.

Wichita, Kan., March 27.—Dave Takee, an Iowa Indian chief, has just been divorced from his sixth wife. Every wife was a white woman, although Takee is a full-blood Indian. He never lived with a single wife over six months. He insists they live in a tepee after the honeymoon is over.

Noted Indian Chief Dead.

Guthrie, Ok., March 27.—John Bigwalker, chief of the Bigwalker band of the Sac and Fox Indians, died at the agency, aged 87. He was a loyal supporter of Indian schools. He was a natural orator, and was known as the most dignified and courtly Indian in the west.

FIRE IN MACHINE SHOPS.

Kansas City Car and Foundry Company's and Armour's Car Wheel Works Probably Destroyed.

Kansas City, Mo., March 27.—Fire was discovered early this morning in the machine shops of the Kansas City Car and Foundry company at Twelfth street and Belt Line tracks, Armourdale. It quickly spread to the Armour Packing company's car wheel works, which adjoins the property. The McKenna Steel Working company's plant is on the opposite corner, but as the car tracks are between, it is likely that the fire will be kept within bounds. A general alarm was turned in, but as the water connections in the suburbs are not adequate for a big fire, it is likely the two plants will be a total loss, which is estimated at \$150,000. There were 150 cars belonging to the Armour Packing company and California Fruit company burned.

MARRIAGE TAX IN EFFECT.

Hereafter a White Man Must Pay \$1,000 for a License to Wed a Chickasaw Indian Girl.

Guthrie, Ok., March 27.—The law passed by the Chickasaw Indian nation, providing that white men must pay \$1,000 license fee to marry Chickasaw Indian girls, went into effect today and will be rigidly enforced. The law also provides that white men wishing to marry must also prove that they are of good moral character. The measure was enacted to lessen the abuses of intermarriages. Since the bill was passed by the Chickasaw council last December it is estimated that 1,700 white men took out licenses to marry Indian girls in order to escape the new tax of \$1,000.

Advance in Price of Wagons.

Racine, Wis., March 27.—It is announced that as a result of the conference at Chicago a few days ago of manufacturers of wagons, carriages, etc., an average advance of 20 per cent. over the old scale is now in effect. The blame for the necessity of making the increase is put on those who furnish the wagon and carriage concerns with material for the construction of their output.

Surpasses Any Previous February.

Washington, March 27.—A record of exports of American manufactured articles superior to any previous record in February is afforded by the completed figures of the bureau of statistics. The total exports of this character were \$34,236,128. The amount in February, 1899, was \$24,489,860, and in February, 1898, \$21,048,631. An increase of 60 per cent. is shown within two years.

Young Porter Will Not Hang.

Washington, March 27.—In the case of Robert Porter, a civilian employe of the quartermaster's department of the army, who was tried by general court-martial on the charge of rape, committed at Panique, Philippine islands, and who was sentenced to be hanged, the president has commuted the sentence to confinement at hard labor in a penitentiary for 20 years.

Another Porto Rico Amendment.

Washington, March 27.—Senator Davis, of Minnesota, introduced a substitute for the Porto Rican bill which provides for free trade between the United States and Porto Rico, and extends the internal revenue laws with amendments over the island. The act is declared provisional and shall not continue longer than March 1, 1902.

Will Be No Delay.

Washington, March 27.—There will be no delay in the execution of the act of congress appropriating \$2,000,000 for the relief of the residents of Porto Rico. The war department had anticipated the passage of the act and had made arrangements to carry its provisions into effect at once.

The Letter Cannot Be Found.

Washington, March 27.—Secretary Root sent a reply to the senate resolution asking for a letter of Aguinaldo dated at Bacoar July 15, 1898. Reference is made to the letter in the report of the major general commanding, but the secretary says no copy of the letter can be obtained.

New National Banks.

Washington, March 27.—A statement has been prepared by the comptroller of the currency showing the number of national banks in process of organization under the provisions of the new financial bill. They, 400 in all, with the exception of 10 or 12, each will have a capital of \$25,000.

Against Amendment of Discipline.

Wilmington, Del., March 27.—The Wilmington Methodist Episcopal conference yesterday adopted a resolution protesting against the proposed amendment of the discipline which, if adopted, will expunge the specific interdiction regarding card playing, theaters and dancing.

Cashier was Short \$145,000.

Rutland, Vt., March 27.—The Merchants' bank here was compelled to close Monday because of a shortage of Cashier Mussey, who has left the state. It was said he was arrested in New York. His shortage will reach \$445,000.

GOLDEN TELLS HIS STORY.

Implicates Secretary of State Powers, Gov. Taylor and Others in Assassination of William E. Goebel.

Frankfort, Ky., March 25.—F. Whartor Golden, of Barbourville, was Saturday put on the witness stand in the examination of Secretary of State Cable Powers, charged with conspiracy to murder Senator Goebel, and it was the general opinion that his testimony, if unimpeached, was sufficient to warrant holding the defendant. Golden was rather nervous on the stand but did not hesitate in his replies to questions and his testimony made a deep impression. According to Golden, Caleb Powers was one of the prime movers in the bringing to Frankfort of the mountaineers just before the assassination of Goebel, and although Secretary Powers simply instructed him as to bringing to Frankfort of the mountaineers just before the assassination of Goebel, and that although Secretary Powers simply instructed him to bring witnesses who were mountain feudists, yet Golden understood that they were to come to Frankfort for possibly a more sinister purpose, that of "cleaning out" the democratic majority in the legislature.

Golden also brought in the name of Gov. Taylor in an incidental way, also the names of Culton, John Powers, Capt. Davis, Charles Finley, Judge Bingham and others, the plan to bring the mountaineers to Frankfort having taken on a wider scope than expected.

ST. LOUIS IS SLOW.

No Appropriation from Congress for the Exposition Until the City Puts Up a Substantial Fund.

Washington, March 25.—The promoters of the St. Louis exposition, which is being arranged to celebrate the centennial of the Louisiana purchase, will not get any money from congress during this session. It appears that while Speaker Henderson is in entire sympathy with the aims of the promoters of the exposition he does not favor their plan, which contemplates action by congress before a substantial fund is raised in the state of Missouri. The people of St. Louis, while enthusiastically in favor of the exposition and willing to aid it to the extent of their resources, are represented as being a little backward about putting their money up.

Illiterate Voters to Be Disfranchised.

Annapolis, Md., March 26.—The long expected election bill having for its main object the disfranchising of a large proportion of the negro voters in Maryland was introduced in the house late Saturday night by the democrats. It provides for the removal of all party emblems from the ballots, forbids any assistance to the voter in the booth and in general so arranges the makeup of the ballot as to prevent the voter from voting intelligently unless he can read.

Half Cents Likely to Be Coined.

Washington, March 26.—A new coin, of the denomination of half a cent, is one of the possibilities of the future. If it should be coined, it will be a testimonial to the influence of women on public affairs, for it will come as a concession to feminine wants. Man could make use of a half cent, but the new coin, if it should be minted, will come into use as a direct result of the growth of the bargain counter.

Flags for Free Distribution.

Washington, March 25.—Allen C. Bakewell, commandant of Lafayette post G. A. R., of New York city, and Wilbur F. Brown, adjutant and past commander of the same post, were at the war department Saturday arranging for the transportation on the transport Sumner of 500 United States flags to Manila, for free distribution among the native officials and citizens of that city.

The New Steel Company.

Trenton, N. J., March 25.—The Carnegie company, the formation of which has resulted from the conference of Andrew Carnegie and H. C. Frick to settle the business difference between them, was incorporated here Saturday. The capital is \$160,000,000 and the stock is all subscribed.

Unionism in New York.

Albany, N. Y., March 26.—On December 31, 1899, the labor union membership in the state was 224,383, an increase of 49,360 for the year. In New York city the membership was 152,860, against 125,136 the preceding year.

Bank Robbers Secure \$4,000.

Hardy, Neb., March 25.—The State bank of this place was visited by burglars about three o'clock Saturday morning. They blew open the safe with dynamite and secured \$4,000. No trace of the robbers has been secured yet.

For the President to Sign.

Washington, March 25.—The conference report on the Porto Rican relief bill was agreed to in the house, ayes 135, nays 87; present and not voting, 20. This completes the bill, which now goes to the president.

One of Glen McDonough's Jokes.

In one of his farces Glen McDonough had written two or three lines to be spoken by a chorus girl. The lines were given to a green, heavy amateur, who looked well and would do. At the rehearsal the girl made her way to McDonough, who held the book, and said: "Mr. McDonough, I have a line in the first act and one in the third. Couldn't you write me one for the second act, too?" McDonough thought a minute, looked at the girl and said: "Yes; in the banquet scene you enter and say: 'Here is the ham.'" "Oh, do I bring the ham on with me?" "No, my dear; it is not a speech, it is a confession."—Chicago Chronicle.

"Trigby, does your club play what regularly?" "No; the women talk regularly, and we men play what when conversation flags."—Indianapolis Journal.

From Washington

How a Little Boy Was Saved.

Washington, D. C.—"When our boy was about 16 months old he broke out with a rash which was thought to be measles. In a few days he had a swelling on the left side of his neck and it was decided to be mumps. He was given medical attendance for about three weeks when the doctor said it was scrofula and ordered a salve. He wanted to lance the sore, but I would not let him, and continued giving him medicine for about four months, when the bunch broke in two places and became a running sore. Three doctors said it was scrofula, and each ordered a blood medicine. A neighbor told me of a case somewhat like our baby's which was cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. I decided to give it to my boy and in a short while his health improved and his neck healed so nicely that I stopped giving him the medicine. The sore broke out again, however, whereupon I again gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla and its persistent use has accomplished a complete cure." MRS. NETTIE CHASE, 47 K St., N. E.

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