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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

The Wickedest Spot on Earth. A New York preacher last Sunday devoted his sermon to "the wickedest block in the world." It is on Stanton street, in that city, and consists of seven houses, containing 1,000 families.

Good and Plenty. Embezzlements by bank cashiers and clerks are not frequently reported in England, but when one of them does get his hand into the deposits he gets it in deep. The Bank of Liverpool's bookkeeper, for example, has absconded with \$850,000.

Unique Feature of the Jordan. The Jordan, during its course, falls over 1,200 feet. At no point is it navigable, even by a small craft, to any considerable distance, and presents the unique spectacle of a river which has never been navigated flowing into a sea which contains not one living creature.

Not an Unreasonable Request. Two brothers in Harrisburg, Pa., condemned to death for murder, have been sentenced to be hanged on the same day. They demur. They say they do not mind being hanged, but ask that it be done on different days. This certainly seems to be a reasonable request.

A Modern Wonder. An English nobleman of high rank has just been brought into notice by paying off the larger portion of his debts. And he did not marry an American heiress either, nor go on the stage. So it is small wonder that for the moment he is something of a social curiosity.

Beware of the Festive Board. Admiral Schley is in more danger from adulation than he ever was from vituperation. A man of abstemious habits in eating and drinking, he will, if he accepts half the invitations to banquets that are being tendered him, be fain to ask quarter of dyspepsia before a year has passed.

Should be Modified. In the latest figure of the census it appears that there are in this country 1,800,000 more men than women. In Europe the difference is the other way. It would seem, therefore, that the disposition in international marriages should be modified. Instead of Europeans seeking American brides due regard for census statistics should change the search to one for American husbands.

Why He Dreads Cancer. The German emperor is reported to have made an order for a commission of experts to be appointed with a view to the most radical and exhaustive investigation of cancer that can possibly be made. The deaths of his father, mother and uncle from this cause have naturally given this scourge a terrible interest in his eyes, which has as naturally been shared by those allied in England.

Twain Vehicles of Joy. Maple sirup has long been intimately associated in the American mind and in the American stomach as well with buckwheat cakes. And recent attempts to push the sale of this saccharine commodity in Australia and Germany have failed, apparently because the characteristic Yankee pancake is unknown in those countries. An opening is thus revealed for a twofold missionary enterprise.

Soldiers of the Civil War. The muster rolls of the union armies of the rebellion show that out of 2,660,000, in round numbers, three-fourths were native Americans; Germany furnished 175,000; Ireland, 150,000; England, 50,000; British America, 50,000, and other countries, 75,000; in all about 500,000 foreigners; 48 per cent of our soldiers were farmers, 27 per cent, mechanics, 16 per cent, laborers, 5 per cent, professional men and 4 per cent, were of miscellaneous vocations. The average height of our soldiers was 5 feet 8 1/4 inches.

ARE NOT FOREIGN.

Supreme Court Defines the Status of the Philippine Islands.

Highest Judicial Body in the Land Says the Islands Became Domestic Territory as Soon as Treaty of Peace Was Signed.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The United States supreme court Monday rendered a decision in the case of Emil J. Pepke vs. the United States. This is the case known as the "Fourteen Diamond Rings' case," and involves the constitutionality of the imposition of customs duties upon merchandise brought into the United States from the Philippine islands after the exchange of the peace treaty with Spain. The opinion was handed down by Chief Justice Fuller. The opinion was adverse to the claims of the government on the ground that the Philippine islands were at the time the rings were brought in American territory, ceasing to be foreign territory, they became domestic territory, he said. It was held that the resolution adopted by congress concerning the Philippines were not sufficient to change the situation. Justices Gray, Shiras, White and McKenna dissented.

After stating the case at some length Chief Justice Fuller said: "By the third article of the treaty Spain ceded to the United States the archipelago known as the Philippine islands, and the United States agreed to pay to Spain the sum of \$20,000,000 within three months. The treaty was ratified; congress appropriated the money; the ratification was proclaimed. The treaty-making power, the executive power, the legislative power concurred in the completion of the transaction. The Philippines thereby ceased in the language of the treaty 'to be Spanish.' Censuring to be Spanish, they cease to be foreign country. They came under the complete and absolute sovereignty and dominion of the United States and so became territory of the United States over which civil government could be established."

LESS FOR PENSIONS.

Secretary Gage Estimates the Amounts Necessary for the Various Departments of the Government.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The secretary of the treasury has transmitted to congress the estimates of appropriations required for the government service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1903. The total appropriations asked for are \$610,827,638, which is \$16,000,000 less than the estimates for 1902 and \$4,000,000 more than the appropriations for that year. Following is a recapitulation of the estimates by departments: Legislative, \$10,188,099; Executive, \$294,160; state department, \$3,446,328; treasury department, \$156,484,925; war department, \$181,920,101; navy department, \$100,701,122; interior department, \$161,710,535; post office department, \$4,464,966; department of agriculture, \$5,509,549; department of labor, \$190,580; department of justice, \$6,917,330. The estimate for pensions is \$5,400,000 less than for 1902.

DESERTERS PLANNED IT.

Massacre of the Ninth Infantry at Samar Was Led by Men Who Were Once American Soldiers.

Washington, Dec. 3.—According to Manila newspapers, copies of which have been received at the war department, the massacre of company C, Ninth infantry, at Balangiga, Samar, was planned by deserters from the American army. The newspapers say two such deserters are known to have acted as spies two days before the massacre. It is not an infrequent sight to find notices written in English, posted on trees and shrubbery, inviting Americans to join the insurgents and instructing them how to enlist. It is also said to be a generally understood fact that deserters from the Ninth cavalry (negro) are responsible for all the trouble the American troops have been having in Batangas province.

THE SALE COMPLETED.

Danish West Indies Become the Property of the United States for Something Like \$5,000,000.

Copenhagen, Dec. 3.—A full agreement has been reached between Denmark and the United States for the sale of the Danish West Indies. The treaty will probably be signed this week at Washington. The price fixed is between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000.

Acquitted Capt. Tiley.

Auckland, N. Z., Dec. 3.—The United States naval court at Tutuila, Samoa, has acquitted Capt. Benjamin F. Tiley, the naval governor of Tutuila, of the charges against him. The charges arose from certain allegations made by missionaries in Samoa against the captain's moral character.

AGAIN IN SESSION.

Opening of the Fifty-Seventh Congress Monday—Henderson Elected Speaker of the House.

Washington, Dec. 2.—The opening of the first session of the Fifty-seventh congress at noon Monday drew to the capitol a great throng of spectators eager to witness the scenes of animation which mark the annual reassembling of the national lawmakers.

A profusion of floral offerings, quite unusual in quantity, in variety and in beauty, transformed the senate chamber into a veritable flower show. Almost every member of the body was the recipient of one or more of these evidences of the regard of his friends and the atmosphere of the chamber was heavy with the odor of rare plants and blossoms.

Dietrich and Millard, of Nebraska; Gibson, of Montana, and Kittredge, of South Dakota, were sworn in as senators. After the usual resolutions and the appointment of a committee to notify the president that the senate was in session, a recess of 30 minutes was taken. At two o'clock the senate re-assembled. Mr. Gamble announced the death of the late Senator Kyle and the senate adjourned. The very handsome interior of the hall of representatives added much to the impressiveness of the general scene at the south end of the capitol when Alexander McDowell, of Pennsylvania, called the new house of representatives to order at noon.

At the conclusion of the roll call showing 318 members present, Mr. Cannon (Ill.) nominated David B. Henderson, of Iowa, and Mr. Hay (Va.) nominated James D. Richardson, of Tennessee, for speaker. A roll call for the election then followed. The vote for speaker was: Henderson, 190; Richardson, 149; Stark (Neb.), 1; Cummings (N. Y.), 1. Mr. Henderson was declared elected and was escorted to the chair by the other three men voted for.

When the members had been sworn the formal resolutions were adopted and Mr. Dalzell offered a resolution to adopt the rules of the Fifty-sixth congress. Mr. Richardson and Mr. Hepburn were each given five minutes and the previous question then was demanded. The resolution was adopted, 185 to 142.

BILLS FOR THE WEST.

Congressman Rucker Asks for 14 Government Buildings in Missouri—Direct Vote for Senators.

Washington, Dec. 2.—In the house Representative Rucker introduced bills providing for federal buildings at Linneus, Monroe City, Marcelline, Salisbury, Keytesville, Milan, Trenton, Hale, Madison, Brunswick, Huntsville, Norborne, Paris, Chillicothe, Brookfield, Carrollton, Moberly and Browning, all in Missouri.

Representative Lloyd, of Missouri, offered in the house a joint resolution providing for the election of senators by direct vote of the people. He offered a similar resolution in the last congress. The house decided by an overwhelming vote in favor of such method of election, but the matter was not considered in the senate.

Representative Reeder introduced an irrigation bill. It provides for an expenditure of \$50,000 in drilling wells in western Kansas and for \$200,000 to be used in building reservoirs in such places as will provide for the proper irrigation of large tracts of arid lands.

By Curtis of Kansas—For the punishment of persons assaulting or killing the president of the United States.

By Newlands of Nevada—For the reclamation of arid lands by the use of all moneys received from the sale of public lands in the arid and semi-arid states.

MOODY SHOWS FIGHT.

Massachusetts Republican Congressman Will Introduce Resolution to Reduce Southern States' Representation.

Washington, Dec. 2.—An important move is to be made in the house of representatives in the direction of reducing the representation in congress of the southern states which disfranchise the negro vote. It is proposed to appoint a special committee to challenge the right of the Louisiana delegation to their seats in this house. Representative Moody, of Massachusetts, a member of the committee on appropriations and one of the leading republicans of the house, will offer the resolution.

From Kansas to Nebraska.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 3.—The Omaha, Kansas & Gulf is the name of a new railroad company granted a charter by the secretary of state. It is authorized to construct roads from Emporia to the Nebraska line and from Junction City to the same line.

Charleston Exposition Opened.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 2.—The South Carolina and West Indian exposition was formally opened to the world Monday with words of greeting from the president of the United States.

OVER EIGHTY DEAD.

Terrible Disaster in Michigan as Result of Wabash Train Wreck.

Victims Were Mostly Immigrants and They Were Crushed and Literally Roasted to Death—List of Injured Reaches 150 and Many May Die.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 29.—One of the most disastrous wrecks in the history of the Wabash railroad, or any other Michigan railroad, occurred at Seneca, Mich., a small way station about 70 miles southwest of Detroit, between seven and 7:30 o'clock last night. Train No. 13, a westbound emigrant train, with two engines, collided, under a full head of steam, with train No. 4, eastbound, about one mile from Seneca. The result was that five or six coaches on the emigrant train were crushed and the load of human freight sent into eternity in a moment, while one coach on train No. 4, which consisted of a parlor car, diner and a baggage car, was also telescoped, with the loss of at least four persons, whose dead bodies have been taken from the ruins. The latest reports are to the effect that there are 80 dead and 150 injured, of which 25 cases are serious. Fifty of the 80 dead were killed outright.

The people on that train were caught like rats in a trap and crushed. Then the wreck caught fire and those who were not instantly killed were slowly roasted to death, none of the few spectators, who hastily gathered from the farmhouses nearby, being able to afford aid. The whole immigrant train was soon consumed by the flames and every person on that train, it is reported now, was killed. Farmers residing along the track rushed in on the blazing mass to rescue those whom they thought might be alive. The bodies hauled out of the wreck were taken to nearby farmhouses, which are filled with dead, and a large number of injured were taken to a hospital at Peru, Ind.

Along the track long lines of burned bodies lie covered with blankets, presenting a gruesome sight. It may be possible that the exact number of killed or who they are will never be known. At present it is impossible to get anything resembling a list of injured or dead from Seneca. It is said that the accident was the result of a misunderstanding of orders. It is reported in Seneca that No. 4 should have waited at Seneca station and that No. 13 should have taken the siding. This was not done. Then the crash came.

WORLD'S FAIR APPOINTMENT.

President Harper, of the Chicago University, Made Director of Universal Educational Congresses.

St. Louis, Nov. 29.—Dr. William Rainey Harper, president of the University of Chicago, has accepted the offer to become director of universal educational congresses at the world's fair.

As director of universal congresses Dr. Harper will have immediate charge of the arrangements for national congresses of distinguished specialists in the realms of the statesman, the jurist, financier, scientist, literature, pedagogue and theologian. These eminent persons will represent at the fair the latest phases of thought and action in the great world of government, jurisprudence, finance, physics, literature, education, art and religion. The world's fair management recognized that to insure the success of such a vast undertaking of the international congresses a man of international reputation and one who had shown by his work that he was eminently fitted for the direction of this work was needed. Chairman Schroers says that the man has been found in Dr. Harper.

Judge Taft to Return Home.

Cincinnati, Nov. 29.—Information has been received here by a friend of Judge William H. Taft, civil governor of the Philippines, to the effect that Judge Taft is about to return to the United States for an indefinite stay, leaving Vice Gov. Wright an acting governor. Judge Taft is in ill health. It is said he cannot recuperate in that climate and has been advised by his physicians to come home.

George M. Pullman Dies of Pneumonia.

San Francisco, Nov. 29.—George M. Pullman, son of the late millionaire car builder, died at his country home in San Mateo yesterday morning. He had been ill several weeks with pneumonia. The deceased was married for the second time a few months ago at Reno, Nev., to Mrs. Brazell. He was 26 years of age.

David Nation Gets the Divorce.

Medicine Lodge, Kan., Nov. 28.—Judge Gillet granted David Nation a divorce from his wife, Carrie Nation, last night on the ground of gross neglect of duty, but exonerated her from the charge of extreme cruelty. Mrs. Nation resisted the divorce, but refused to consent to live with her husband.

AN OPEN LETTER

Address to Women by the Treasurer of the W. C. T. U. of Kansas City, Mrs. E. C. Smith.

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FROM OVER THE SEA.

There are 248,888 Jews in the British empire.

The United Kingdom has 16 leading art societies, of which eight are royal.

Great Britain with her colonies owns nearly one-half of the total tonnage belonging to the marine of 40 nations, or 14,000,000 tons out of a total of 29,000,000.

A German authority states that from the mouth to the source of the Rhine, 725 castles, formerly the homes of warlike chiefs, are to be found overlooking its waters. In Haroldswick, in the Shetlands, a whalebone viking drinking horn in good condition was found recently in a grave that contained human bones, together with those of horses and dogs. The grave is probably that of a sea king buried with his horse and dog in the time of Harold Harfagt, 1,000 years ago.

A CLERGYMAN'S DISCOVERY.

Fredericksburg, Ind., Dec. 2.—According to the positive declaration of Rev. E. P. Stevens, of this place, that gentleman has found a remedy for all diseases of the Kidneys and urinary organs. For years he suffered severely with these complaints, incontinence of the urine, making life a burden to him, but he never ceased experimenting in the hope that some day he would discover a remedy. After many failures he has at last succeeded and is to-day perfectly cured and a well man, and explains that his recovery is due to the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills. This remedy has been successfully applied to many cases of Lane Back, Rheumatism, Bright's Disease, Diabetes and other Kidney Diseases, and there seems to be no case of the kind that Dodd's Kidney Pills will not cure. This is the only remedy that has ever cured Bright's Disease.

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