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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

An Army of Descendants.
Mrs. Sally Bunnell, of Provo, Utah, has the distinction of having 219 living descendants. She is 92 years old and has 7 children, 73 grandchildren, 135 great-grandchildren and 4 great-great-grandchildren.

Rapidly Passing Over.
Gen. O. O. Howard in a reminiscent mood says of the 27 commanders of union armies during the civil war only two survive, Gen. Schofield and himself. Of the 40 corps commanders on the union side only 12 survive.

For Educating Indians, \$3,000,000.
The Indian appropriation bill has been reported to the house. Of the total of \$8,000,000 carried by the bill \$3,000,000 is for schools. These figures indicate that some progress is being made toward rendering the Indian self-sustaining.

Crime Does Not Pay.
A man who served a long term in the Iowa penitentiary writes to his home paper that he is convinced crime does not pay, since he has lost \$16,800 he might have made by working at his trade, while the property he stole brought him only \$67.

A "Tip" to Uncle Sam.
The dairy products of the United States are of sufficient value to pay off the national debt in a little over two years. The cow and the hen have performed wonders in the west in lifting farm mortgages and if Uncle Sam ever gets into a tight place he might call on them.

Failed on Time.
Wendell Phillips said in an address to school children in Boston in 1865; "I expect, if I live 40 years, to see a telegraph that will send messages without a wire both ways at the same time." The famous orator did not live out the term, but his prediction was fulfilled on time.

Civilization Has Its Dangers.
Richard Rock, an old frontiersman who had killed wild buffalo by the thousands in his day and gone through many Indian campaigns, was finally killed the other day by a domesticated buffalo. Civilization has its dangers as well as the strenuous life of old on the frontier.

It Is Different Now.
A Connecticut school ma'am boasts of having spanked 49 pupils in 37 minutes. This affords strong confirmation of the assertion that the Yankee spirit is dying out among the rising generation of New England. In the good old days an effort of that kind would land the teacher in a hospital.

Recollections of the "Mitten."
The supreme court of Iowa has solemnly decided that a young woman cannot legally hold her lover to his pledged troth under pain of damages when she has deceived him by wearing false hair. This looks as though some past feminine deceit were still ranking the heart of the aforesaid supreme court.

New York's Latest Great Hotel.
Work upon the Hotel Astor in New York, which will occupy an entire block and which will represent an outlay of \$5,000,000, has begun. When completed the hotel will take rank as one of the most imposing structures of the city. The building will be ten stories above the sidewalk and two below. Brand new devices will figure in almost every department of the great hotel.

Comfort for Town-Dwellers.
There is some comfort—for town-dwellers, at least—in a government statistician's declaration that the danger from lightning is less in the cities than in the country. The network of wires—telephone, telegraph and electric light—and the quantities of metal in roofs, steel frames, etc., are calculated to relieve the electric tension in times of severe storms. Damaging lightning strokes are comparatively rare in the dense centers of population because of this fact.

BRIBERY IS ALLEGED

Sensation in the House Over a Statement by Mr. Richardson.

Minority Leader Introduced an Affidavit from Denmark's Agent Showing \$500,000 Was Used to Secure Transfer of Danish West Indies.

Washington, March 28.—A genuine sensation was caused in the house yesterday by the presentation by Mr. Richardson, of Tennessee, the democratic leader, of charges alleging the corrupt use of a fund of \$500,000 in connection with the sale of the Danish West Indies. The charges were contained in an alleged secret report of Capt. Walter Christmas to the Danish government, which declared that he had employed corrupt means to bring the negotiations for the sale of the islands to a consummation. The report, extracts from which Mr. Richardson read, mentioned the names of Abner McKinley and his partner, Col. Brown, C. W. Knox, who was described as "an intimate friend of Senator Hanna," Richard P. Evans, who was said to represent "Mr. Gardner and his friends in the house," and two press associations, the names of which were not given, as having been interested in the matter. The charges against members of congress were not specific. Upon the basis of this report, Mr. Richardson asked the adoption of a resolution for the appointment of an investigating committee of seven. The speaker ruled that the matter was privileged after Mr. Richardson had amended his resolution so as to specifically include members of the house. Great excitement attended the whole proceeding. Mr. Cannon, of Illinois, insisted that Mr. Richardson's presentation was fragmentary and that the whole matter should go over in order that members might read the documents presented, which included newspaper extracts, affidavits, etc., in the record. Christmas, he declared, on his own statement, was a briber and worse. But the house voted down the motion to postpone and the resolution, after being amended in minor particulars, was adopted. The speaker immediately appointed the following committee to make the investigation: Messrs. Dalzell, republican, of Pennsylvania; Hitt, republican, of Illinois; Cousins, republican, of Iowa; McCall, republican, of Massachusetts; Richardson, democrat, of Tennessee; Dinsmore, democrat, of Arkansas; and Cowherd, democrat, of Missouri.

MEETING WITHOUT RESULT.

Mine Workers and Mine Owners Debated Their Differences, but Could Not Reach an Agreement.

New York, March 28.—Mine workers and mine owners of the anthracite fields debated their differences for four hours yesterday in a conference arranged by the conciliation committee of the National Civic federation, but the meeting was without result save that the workers agreed not to strike on April 1 as decreed at the Shamokin convention. There is to be further friendly discussion between the two interests and Senator Hanna, as chairman of the industrial department of the federation, was empowered to call another conference at any favorable time within the next 30 days.

SHUT OUT OF IOWA.

Gov. Cummins Vetoed Bill Which Enabled the Northern Securities Company to Locate in the Hawkeye State.

Des Moines, Ia., March 28.—Gov. Cummins vetoed the Molsberry bill, better known as the "merger measure." The bill removed the limit of indebtedness per mile that may be contracted by railways running through Iowa. It has been persistently claimed by those opposing the bill that it was introduced and pushed through by the Burlington railway's lobbyists for the purpose of enabling that corporation to take over the Northern Securities company's stock in case the latter loses its case in the federal courts.

Imposter Under Arrest.

Kansas City, Mo., March 28.—"Prof." Goodwin, the clairvoyant who defrauded William Soderstrum of \$580 last week, has been arrested in Denison, Tex. With Goodwin is another man, supposed to be an accomplice, and three young women. One of the women is a Kansas City girl named Hardy who accompanied Goodwin and the other man when they fled from this city last week.

For Representatives to Cuba.

Washington, March 28.—The president Thursday transmitted to congress a message urging provision for diplomatic and consular representation in Cuba. He recommends that the "envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the republic of Cuba" be paid \$10,000 a year. For consul general at Havana, \$5,000; Cienfuegos and Santiago, \$3,000 each.

JAMES K. JONES BEATEN.

Democratic National Chairman Will Be Succeeded in the Senate from Arkansas by Ex-Gov. Clarke.

Little Rock, Ark., April 1.—Returns from the democratic primaries held on Saturday show that ex-Gov. James P. Clarke has been endorsed for United States senator and that Gov. Davis has carried 65 out of 75



SENATOR JAMES K. JONES.

counties in the state. At the headquarters of Senator Jones a telegram was received announcing that Washington county, which was supposed to be for Jones, had gone for Clarke by nearly 800 majority. Clarke will probably have a majority of 12 on joint ballot.

IS CLAYTON TO GO?

Rumor That the Ambassador to Mexico Has Been Summoned to Washington to Explain Charges Against Him.

Washington, April 1.—H. Clay Evans will probably be appointed ambassador to Mexico. Powell Clayton, the present ambassador, is coming to Washington, ostensibly to attend a dinner given by his daughter. This announcement is regarded as notice that Mr. Clayton has been summoned home to explain the charges made against him by many American residents in Mexico, that he is interested in mining ventures there, and has failed to look after the interests of other Americans. The president and secretary of state have been much annoyed by the charges and evidence presented against Ambassador Clayton.

Powell Clayton is one of the best-known republican politicians. For years he has been national committeeman from Arkansas. Prior and during the civil war he resided in Kansas and commanded a Kansas regiment.

Tennessee Flood Loss, \$4,000,000.

Nashville, Tenn., April 1.—Reports from the flooded districts of Tennessee emphasize the gravity of the situation. The damage resulting, it is believed, will reach \$4,000,000, while 22 lives are known to be lost. Several counties certain to have suffered heavily are yet cut off from communication and the loss in property and life may go higher than these figures.

Thirteen in One Family Drowned.

Decatur, Ala., April 1.—The Tennessee river is on a rampage and much damage is reported. "Ben" Jones, a white fisherman, his wife and 11 children, living in a houseboat near Riverton, are reported drowned. Many houses have been swept away and live stock drowned. All yesterday stories of loss of life and destruction came in.

Back from Manila Crippled for Life.

San Francisco, April 1.—Capt. F. H. Schoeffel, of the Ninth infantry, who has just arrived from Manila, was leader of a party of 15 Americans who were surprised by insurgents on the island of Samar. Eight of the soldiers were killed and all were wounded. Capt. Schoeffel is crippled possibly for life, as a result of the fight.

Shaw's Town Goes Democratic.

Denison, Ia., April 1.—This town, the home of Secretary of the Treasury Shaw and Congressman Connor, yesterday went democratic by a majority of 29. Last fall the town gave Gov. Cummins, republican, 200 majority. There was no local issue.

Ex-Archbishop Stricken.

Ardmore, I. T., April 1.—Gen. S. B. Bradford, United States commissioner here, was stricken with partial paralysis while sitting in his office. His condition is critical. Gen. Bradford was formerly attorney general of the state of Kansas.

Enough for 10,000 Homesteads.

Washington, April 1.—The president is in favor of opening the Utah reservation in October 1, 1903. The reservation includes about 2,000,000 acres. There will be about 10,000 homesteads, exclusive of timber and important mineral entries.

New Marshal for Oklahoma.

Washington, April 1.—William D. Fossett was yesterday confirmed as United States marshal for Oklahoma to succeed Harry Thompson, resigned. Fossett has been chief deputy under Thompson.

FALSE, SAYS BROWN.

Abner McKinley's Law Partner Denounces Danish Agent.

Secretary Hay Will Pay No Attention to the Sensational Charges, Alleging They Are so Unreliable as to Be Unworthy of Notice.

New York, March 29.—Wilbur C. Brown, partner of Abner McKinley, whose name was mentioned in connection with the Christmas charges made public in congress, has sent the following letter to Representative Dalzell, chairman of the investigating committee: "The papers contain extracts read in congress from insidious charges by one Walter Christmas in connection with the purchase of the Danish West Indies. So far as these charges relate to Abner McKinley and myself, they are unqualifiedly and maliciously false in every particular. I shall be glad to appear before your committee at any time you may desire."

Hay Don't Believe Them.

Washington, March 29.—The state department will take steps to bring to the attention of the Danish government the charges against the integrity of American statesmen preferred by Capt. Christmas and brought to the attention of the house of representatives. The department regards the charges as unworthy its attention by reason of insufficient evidence and obvious error in statements of alleged facts. The department is perfectly aware also that the Danish government does not intend to pay one cent of the \$500,000 claimed by Christmas as his commission, so that of course none of that money could be used to corrupt American statesmen and newspapers.

A dispatch from New York says: Carl Fischer-Hansen, who was attorney for Walter Christmas, the representative of the Danish government in the overtures for the purchase of the Danish West Indian islands in 1900, was indignant at the conduct of his client shown in his secret report to the Danish ministry, lately published. "Ordinarily, legal etiquette," said he, "would prevent my speaking. But this report is so defamatory and outrageous that I feel justified in washing my hands of the whole affair. This report was evidently made with the belief that it could never see the light. But its publication has shown its absurdity. I am quite sure Christmas never saw the men he mentions, and I believe the report was made for the purpose of personal gain."

EVANS HAS RESIGNED.

But the Commissioner of Pensions Will Hold on Until Given an Important Diplomatic Position.

Washington, March 29.—Commissioner of Pensions Evans has placed his resignation in the hands of the president. It will not take effect until some important position in the diplomatic service is found for him. The pension committee appointed at the last annual encampment of the G. A. R. to investigate the affairs of the pension bureau has made its report to the president. It has not yet been decided as to when the report will be made public, if at all. It is stated that the policy of Commissioner Evans will be continued by his successor.

May Send Lee to Cuba.

Washington, March 29.—The president's message to congress has aroused considerable speculation as to who will be chosen for United States minister to Cuba. The three names most frequently heard in connection with the place are those of Charles H. Allen, of Massachusetts, Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia, and H. Clay Evans, of Tennessee, now commissioner of pensions.

Gold Medals for Life-Savers.

Washington, March 29.—The secretary of the treasury has awarded a gold life-saving medal to Elmer Mayo for his heroic services in rescuing Seth L. Ellis at the recent Monomoy, Mass., disaster in which the entire life-saving crew of the Monomoy station, with one exception, were lost. The secretary also awarded a gold medal to Seth Ellis, the survivor of the crew.

There Were Gaps in Kitchener's Lines.

Pretoria, March 29.—About 1,500 Boer, under Delarey, Liebonborg, Kemp and Wolmarans were within the area of Lord Kitchener's latest movement, but though surprised by the rapidity displayed by the British troops, gaps in the latter's lines enabled most of the burghers to escape. The Boer prisoners totalled 179 men, including Commandant H. Kruger.

Cable to Lead the Fight.

Washington, March 29.—While Judge Griggs, of Georgia, will be chosen chairman of the democratic congressional committee, the real active manager of the canvas will be ex-Congressman Ben T. Cable, of Illinois. Mr. Cable bolted Bryan's nomination in 1896, but in 1900 gave the Nebraskan his support.

Cuba's First President.
Although it has been stated that the Cubans are incapable of governing themselves, yet they have selected their first president, who is a great favorite with the people. A favorite medicine with the American people is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, because it is an ideal remedy for headache, indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation and biliousness. It is also an excellent medicine for spring fever, la grippe and malaria. Don't fail to try it, but be sure to get the genuine.
"My, what a lot of books!" exclaimed Miss Gossyp. "Does your husband read much?" "No," answered Mrs. Gad. "He buys expensive books, and he's so busy working to pay for them that he doesn't have time to read."—Philadelphia Record.



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