

SEARCH FOR NANSEN

A CHICAGO SYNDICATE TO THE RESCUE.

Meteorologist Baldwin of Peary's First Expedition Will Be in Charge—What is Expected of the Journey in an Incidental Way—The Lena River.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—The recent reports concerning the return of Dr. Nansen from the North pole have induced a Chicago syndicate to send a party at once to the Lena river to ascertain the foundation for the accounts received, as well as to assist, if possible, the returning explorers in their probable march toward either Yakutsk or Irkutsk.

In an interview, Mr. Baldwin said: "Barring such information concerning Dr. Nansen's whereabouts as would make the proposed trip inexpedient, I shall go direct from San Francisco to Vladivostok on the Pacific coast, more than 8,000 miles from St. Petersburg, and from Vladivostok to Irkutsk, making the first 450 miles by railway and the remaining distance by post. Twenty-two days will be occupied in making the transit. The time to be consumed between Chicago and Irkutsk will be about fifty days."

"But suppose you should fail to find Dr. Nansen?" "Well, that is possible, of course. But if Nansen's party is now somewhere in the vicinity of the delta of either the Lena or the Yena rivers, it will be impossible for them to reach civilization by any other course than by way of either Yakutsk or Irkutsk. To move Nansen's entire party to either of these points would require not less than eight weeks and after an exhausting struggle to gain the native settlements at either delta, probably that of the Yena, Dr. Nansen doubtless would hesitate to exchange the safety of his men among the hospitable inhabitants of the coast for the trying journey southward until warmer weather and the opening of navigation on the Lena. Even should it be demonstrated that the explorers are not now in that vicinity, it is not at all improbable that they will be heard from before the close of the season in that region."

"What other objects will your trip include?" "To watch, of course, for the possible return of Professor Andree in his balloon. As Andree's experiment is to be tried in July, a close watch is to be kept at all points in North America, as well as in Europe and Asia, for its appearance. Greater interest will probably attach to Andree's novel and daring undertaking than is now manifested in the return of Nansen. I shall give incidental attention to other matters of scientific interest, and I shall return by way of Ornsk and St. Petersburg, the railway being complete between those points. I expect to visit the gold and silver mines along the route and to investigate the commercial advantages resulting to the United States from the westward route of travel and traffic to the interior of Siberia, and which must also quicken trade between Japan and China as well."

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FRENCH POLITICAL CRISIS.

Senators and Deputies Are Disregard and the Constitution Endangered.

PARIS, Feb. 13.—The political crisis which has risen out of the second demand of the Senate for a vigorous and thorough inquiry into the Southern railway scandals and its second refusal of a vote of confidence in the Bourgeois ministry is now practically a struggle between the Chamber of Deputies, which has supported the radical ministry and the Senate. However, in spite of the acute crisis and the possibility of the downfall of the ministry or even a dissolution of the parliament, there is little excitement here this morning outside of the newspaper offices. It is claimed that the resignation of the ministry would not alter matters, as it appears to be no longer a question of confidence or of non-confidence in the cabinet. The Chamber of Deputies in defying the Senate and the result is a condition of affairs which the extremists believe is as threatening as any since the troublesome times of 1870-71. The newspapers are filled with excited articles and interviews with political leaders, and many of them have expressed the opinion that a constitutional solution of the problem is impossible.

The Conservatives and Socialists demand a dissolution of Parliament and the Liberals and Republicans agree that a dissolution is advisable; but they claim it should take place under another cabinet.

Belonged to a Noted German Family.

PRERY, Okla., Feb. 18.—Gottlieb Ohmies, German leader of the Salvation army, who has been here for months, and who was found dead in bed two days ago, appears to have been a member of a noted family in Wanssen, Germany. Although Ohmies had a considerable amount of money none can be found. The coroner's jury decided that Ohmies came to his death from heart disease.

York's Second Son Baptized.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The baptism of the second son of the Duke and Duchess of York took place in the church at Sandringham to-day. The occasion was made a general holiday for the people of the neighborhood.

Clears a Fortune on Two Cents.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—At the time of the bond sale, William Graves of this city put in a bid at 115.31 for \$4,500,000 of bond. Graves is a mining broker and did not have money enough to take the bonds if awarded to him. Much to his surprise he was one of the successful bidders. So he offered his option for sale and received two bids of 115.5 each for the entire amount. Later he made better terms with a foreign syndicate and cleared between \$30,000 and \$40,000 in the transaction, without investing more than the two cent stake on the envelope containing his bid.

WEYLER GIVES A WARNING

New Ruler in Cuba Gives Notice of the Wrath to Come.

HAVANA, Feb. 18.—The following is a verbatim copy of translations made of proclamations published yesterday: "Don Valeriano Weyler y Nicolau, Marquis of Tenerife, governor and captain general of the island of Cuba, general-in-chief of the army, etc., desirous of warning the honest inhabitants of Cuba and those loyal to the Spanish cause, and in conformity to the laws, does order and command: "All inhabitants of the district of Sancti Spiritus and the provinces of Puerto Principe and Santiago de Cuba will have to concentrate in places which are the headquarters of a division, a brigade, a column or a troop, and will have to be provided with documentary proof of identity within eight days of the publication of this proclamation in the municipalities."

All owners of commercial establishments in the country districts will vacate them, and the chiefs of columns will take such measures as the success of their operations dictates regarding such places, which while useless for the country's wealth, serve the enemy as hiding places in the woods and in the interior.

All passes hitherto issued hereby become null and void. Prisoners caught in action will be subjected to the most summary trial, without any other investigation except that indispensable for the objects of the trial.

"No sentence of death shall be effected without the acknowledgment, by my authority, of the testimony and of the judgement which must be sent to me immediately, except when no means of communication exists, or when it is a case of insult to superiors, or of military sedition, in which case sentence will be carried out and the information furnished to me afterwards."

"I am determined," the general says, "to have the laws obeyed, and I make known, order and command, that the following cases are subject to military law: Those who invent or propagate by any means notices or assertions favorable to the rebellion shall be considered as being guilty of offenses against the integrity of the nation and comprised in article 223, class 6 of the military code whenever such notices facilitate the enemy's operations."

Those who destroy or damage railroad lines, telegraph or telephone wires, or apparatus connected therewith, or those who interrupt communication by opening bridges or destroying highways.

Those who, being telegraphists, divulge telegrams referring to the war, or who send them to persons who should not be cognizant of them.

Those who, through the press or otherwise, revile the prestige of Spain, her army, the volunteers or firemen, or any other force that co-operates with the army.

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WILL FIGHT ON FRIDAY

Connelly Posts a New Forfeit for Mayer's Appearance.

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 18.—A compromise has been reached and the fight is now positively set for Friday, Connelly posting \$1,000 to guarantee Maher's appearance in the ring on that day. This is the result of the morning conference. Julian appeared at the conference at 10:40 and Fitzsimmons came in a few minutes later. There was a short conference and it was declared that Stuart's presence was necessary. Stuart could not be found and a two hour's wait ensued. Julian agreed to submit the whole affair to a committee of five. Fitzsimmons declared he would not fight unless he got a forfeit, which Connelly refused. Fitzsimmons and Julian had the best of the argument, but they got the worst of the deal. After Julian and Connelly had wrangled for some minutes Fitzsimmons broke in with great heat and declared that as long as he could not get the \$1,000 forfeit money he would not fight. He said he was ready to enter the ring at that moment and Maher was not. Turning to Connelly, he said: "You are all a pack of bloody curs. You are afraid to fight and your man has not been able to get into condition because he has been afraid all along."

Then waving his arms, he yelled to the crowd of newspaper men and spectators: "Gentlemen, the whole thing is off. I refuse to fight Maher unless I am paid my forfeit money. I am willing to fight Maher, Corbett or any man in the world."

Later Fitzsimmons was cooled off, the matter was talked over again and the agreement for a fight on Friday was reached.

The committee named by Connelly decided that the articles of agreement of December 6 were abrogated Friday and that under the circumstances Julian could not justly claim forfeit. The committee consisted of Dan Stuart, George Siler, Louis Housemann, William W. Naughton, Tom O'Rourke and Hugh Fitzgerald.

Nearly all of the prize fighters went over to Juarez yesterday afternoon to attend the bull fights. Four horses, worth about \$3 each, were gored to death, four bulls were tortured and slain and the arena was covered with blood. The Mexicans, as usual, bowled with delight at the spectacle of a horse being ripped open, but the fighters came back disgusted to the last degree. Fitzsimmons, Leeds, Barry, Walcott and Everhart were there, and all of them are trying to figure out how a people who can tolerate the sickening sight of the bull-pen can object to prize fighting with gloves.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Mrs. Hugo Von Elsnar, mother of Litta, the singer, died in Chicago.

The Alabama coal and coke production in 1895 was the greatest in the State's history.

Two highwaymen were captured at Rich Hill, Mo. They robbed three men, shooting one of them.

An alderman candidate and a policeman of Danville, Ill., are under arrest, charged with extortion.

Louis Hopper, a farmer who resided near Dexter, Mo., blew out his own brains. No cause for the act is known.

KANSAS CITY TIMES.

H. N. Carey, Late Managing Editor of the New York Times, Has a Proposition.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 18.—The property of the Kansas City Times Newspaper Company will be sold at public auction at the county court-house steps Thursday morning. The highest bidder will get the property, but the court has decreed that it must not be sold for less than \$75,000. It is probable that the property will be bought in by a committee representing a majority of the bondholders of the paper.

Henry N. Carey, formerly managing editor of the New York Times, is at the Cotes House. He has made a proposition to the majority bondholders' committee that if they in the property, turn it over to him and accept new bonds in payment. He will run the paper and pay off the indebtedness when he has made it a financial success.

The air is full of rumors of prospective purchasers of the property. They come from every point of the compass, but no one with money who wants to buy the paper has yet made himself known to the bondholders.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

A St. Louis Girl Kills Her Lover and Commits Suicide.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 18.—About 10 o'clock last night, when Henry Rohlfing was returning to his room, he stumbled over the dead body of his brother, John, stretched out on the stairs. He was shot through the head. In his room lay the body of Miss Barbara Kossel, a pretty German girl, about 19 years old. She was dead. A pool of blood from a wound in her head and a thirty-two calibre revolver of cheap make tightly clenched in her right hand, told the story of her death. The two were lovers and had quarreled. From the appearance of the things, John Rohlfing had begun to ascend the stairs when a bullet from the revolver in Miss Kossel's hand stopped him. She then retired to the room and made an end to her own life.

KANSAS EDITORS.

Leavenworth Has Provided Entertainment for Their Leisure Moments.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Feb. 18.—The annual meeting of the Kansas Editorial association convened here this afternoon. The sessions will conclude to-morrow evening. To-day's session was merely preliminary. A business meeting will be held at 7 p. m. and at 8 o'clock there will be a general reception to visiting editors and their friends. The reception will be informal and open to the public. The program includes vocal and band music, dancing and refreshments.

At noon to-day less than 100 editors had reached the city, but fully 300 are expected by to-night.

COLONEL JONES WINS.

Pulitzer Must Wait Several Years to Regain Control of the Post-Dispatch.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 18.—The motion of Charles H. Jones to have made permanent the temporary injunction restraining the directors of the Pulitzer Publishing Company from interfering with his management and control of the Post-Dispatch was granted by Judge Valiant this morning. The gist of the ruling is that Jones shall have absolute control of the business and editorial departments of the Post-Dispatch during the life of the contract—five years—the court reserving the right to appoint a receiver at any time.

Cremented His Wife and Niece.

AUGUSTA, Ky., Feb. 18.—Saturday morning Robert Laughlin reported that three masked men had entered his home and murdered his wife and niece and had burned their bodies in the destruction of the dwelling by fire. Laughlin said he narrowly escaped. Blood on his shirt drew suspicion and, at the coroner's inquest this morning, Laughlin confessed that he was the murderer. He killed his niece with a poker and then took his wife's life to hide the crime. He was then taken to Maysville to prevent a lynching.

A Novel Method for Booming McKinley.

WICHITA, Kan., Feb. 18.—Syl. Dixon, the grain king of Southern Kansas, is storing corn here for a novel purpose. Four days before the national Republican convention he will start a train of forty cars of corn from here for St. Louis. The train will be elaborately decorated, and in addition to carrying a brass band will carry forty McKinley boomers and orators to represent forty of the corn-growing counties of Central and Western Kansas. At each stop on the road one of the orators is to make a McKinley speech.

Mrs. Lease Talks of Love.

WICHITA, Kan., Feb. 18.—Mrs. Lease delivered a sermon last night at the Central Church of Christ. Contrary to expectations, her discourse was conservative, and she spoke with force and eloquence upon "Love: The Keystone of the Arch." Hundreds of people were unable to gain admittance to the church. A number of deaf mutes attended the service and the sermon was interpreted to them.

Kansas Masons at Wichita.

WICHITA, Kan., Feb. 18.—The annual communication of the Masonic grand bodies of Kansas is being held here, and will continue until Wednesday night. It gives promise of being the largest gathering of the kind ever held in the State.

A \$500,000 Fire.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 18.—The big soap, lye and coffee essence manufactory of P. C. Tomson & Co., 957 Old-spring street, was destroyed by fire this morning. The dwelling houses adjoining the factory and the works of the Philadelphia Coopersage company were badly damaged. The total loss will be about \$500,000.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—About fifty citizens of Le Mars, Plymouth county, Iowa, have sent to the postmaster general a protest against the establishment of a free delivery system in that place.

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Table listing various newspapers and their subscription prices. Includes titles like Nonconformist, Indiana, Southern Mercury, Appeal to Reason, etc.

BANE & ALTSCHULER, Attorneys-at-Law, 1101 O Street.

Earnest Kurth, will take notice that on the 29th day of January, 1896, Hiram Bailey, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Lancaster county, against Kate Hall and George E. Kurth, his husband, and J. W. Hitchcock, three defendants in said action, and said W. H. Kurth, is impleaded as one of the defendants in said action, the object and prayer of which are: Our certain mortgage given by the defendants, Kate Hall and George E. Hall her husband, to H. M. Leavitt, and assigned to this plaintiff upon lots number ten (10) and eleven (11), in Block number 160, in Junction City, Nebraska, as shown by the plat now on record in said county, to secure the payment of one certain promissory note dated March 14th, 1890, for the sum of \$500.00, and due and payable in five (5) years from the date thereof; that there is now due upon said note and mortgage the sum of \$100.00, for which sum with interest from this date plaintiff prays for a decree that the defendants be required to pay the same or that said premises may be sold to satisfy the amount found due.

Notice of Incorporation.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have formed themselves into a corporation under the laws of the state of Nebraska, and on the 17th day of February, 1896, filed their articles of incorporation in the office of the county clerk of Lancaster county, Nebraska, under the name and title of "Fitzgerald Dry Goods Company."

First—The name of said corporation shall be "Fitzgerald Dry Goods Company."

Second—The principal place of transacting business shall be Lincoln, Lancaster county, Nebraska.

Third—The general nature of the business to be transacted shall be to buy and sell dry goods, notions, and such other goods, wares, and merchandise as are usually kept for sale in dry goods stores, and to take, purchase and hold personal property of every description, and to hold, control, and convey the same.

Fourth—The amount of capital stock authorized is \$10,000.00, divided into shares of \$1,000.00 each, all of which shall be fully paid in at the time of commencement of business and be non-assessable.

Fifth—This corporation shall commence business on the 1st day of February, 1896, and shall exist in fifty (50) years from said date.

Sixth—The highest amount of indebtedness to which this corporation can at any time subject itself is fifty (\$50,000) dollars.

Seventh—The control of this corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, consisting of three (3) persons, who shall be stockholders, from whom shall be chosen a president, vice-president and secretary-treasurer. And said board of directors shall appoint such other officers and employees as they may deem proper to properly conduct and carry on the corporation.

Dated February 1, 1896. W. M. D. FITZGERALD, JAMES F. FITZGERALD, ETHELBERT LAMPKIN.

In the District Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska. J. M. Watson, Plaintiff, vs. George W. Boyer, Mary Carter, Carlos C. Burr, and A. Halter, Defendants.

A. Halter, defendant, will take notice that on the 27th day of January, A. D. 1896, J. M. Watson, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, against said defendants, the object and prayer of which are to foreclose a certain mortgage executed by the defendants George W. Boyer and Mary J. Boyer, his wife, to the Ballou State Banking Company, upon lots A, B, C, D, E, and F, in G. W. Boyer's subdivision of lots 22, 24, and 25, in block one (1) of Boyer & Daves' subdivision of the northeast quarter of section twenty-seven (27), township 16 N., range 24 E., east of the 6th P. M., situated in Lancaster county, Nebraska.

To secure the payment of one promissory note dated August 21, 1888, for the sum of \$1,200, due and payable on the first day of August, 1893.

That there is now due and payable upon said note and mortgage \$1,200.00 and ten per cent interest thereon from May 1st, 1894. That said mortgage was duly assigned to plaintiff for a valuable consideration on September 17, 1888, by the payee.

Plaintiff prays for a decree that he has a prior lien on said premises, that the defendants be required to pay him the amount due on said note and mortgage, or that said mortgaged premises may be sold to satisfy the same.

You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, March 16, 1896. W. M. LEESE, Attorney for plaintiff.

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NOTICE TO NON-RESIDENT.

Katrina Boomer, defendant, will take notice that Emery Boomer, plaintiff herein, filed his petition in the district court of Lancaster county, Nebraska, on the 27th day of January, 1896, against said defendant, the object and prayer of which are to obtain a divorce from said defendant on the grounds that you, Katrina Boomer, committed adultery with William Hughes, at your home in Humboldt, Dakota, on or about June 20, 1893.

You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, March 16, 1896. EMERY BOOMER, by Wm. Leese, his Attorney. Lincoln, Neb., Feb. 3, 1896.

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