

# Condensed News of the Week

Professor Wiley, chief of the bureau of chemistry at Washington, is now engaged in investigating the effect of cold storage on food products. Professor Wiley believes that after being preserved for a certain length of time in this way, the food deteriorates in quality.

The sultan of Turkey has signed an agreement to make complete redress and restitution to the persecuted Armenians. This action on the part of the sultan is said to be an effort to forestall the international convention which is to discuss the Armenian trouble and consider measures to relieve its troubles.

An Associated press dispatch, under date of New York, June 25, 1904, says: This week's bank statement breaks all previous records for grand total deposits which now aggregate \$1,143,314,100. The aggregate for specie and for cash holding is also in excess of all previous records. The week's increase of over \$17,000,000 in loans is believed to result from increased activity in the bond market, which is coincident with the semi-annual disbursement of interest and dividend payments.

A committee of the United Mine Workers of America held a meeting in Pueblo, Colo., to discuss labor troubles. An appeal was issued to their fellow workmen throughout the country and to the public at large to aid in bringing matters to a point where the mine workers may have their rights.

A dispatch, under date of Ottawa, Ont., June 25, says: The house today divided on a motion to censure Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture, for the infusion of politics into military affairs on dismissal of Lord Dundonald. The vote was forty-two for and eighty-four against censure.

Paul Morton, the newly-appointed secretary of the navy, left Chicago for Nebraska City, where he will visit the old home. Mr. Morton expects to return to Chicago in about a week.

The steamer Bever, the first to cross the Pacific ocean under her own steam in 1835, lying wrecked at the mouth of Vancouver harbor for twelve years, is to be raised by the city of Vancouver and placed on exhibition at Stanley park, with a placard reciting the historical event in which she took part.

The republican state central committee of the La Follette faction selected officers. An executive committee of seven will be appointed by Chairman Connors. Permanent headquarters will be established at Milwaukee.

An Associated press dispatch, under date of Washington, D. C., June 25, says: America and the infant republic of Panama formally joined hands today when President Roosevelt received Senor Don N. J. De Obaldia, the recently appointed minister of the republic. The exchange of greetings, official and formal though they were, were felicitous and hearty.

One of the largest parades ever seen in Lima, Peru, marched through the streets of that city on June 26, proclaiming General Nicholas de Pierola as a candidate for the presidency. It is said that 20,000 people marched in the parade.

Former Congressman James A. McKenzie of Kentucky died at his home in Oak Grove, Ky., at the age of 64 years. He was known as "Quinine Jim," from the fact that when the question of taxing quinine came up in the house, Mr. McKenzie made a speech which, on account of its humor, logic and earnestness, sent the measure through.

The monthly financial statement of the Louisiana Exposition company for April shows that the balance on hand March 31 was \$1,847,627 and on April 30 the amount on hand was \$1,451,277. The total receipts to April 30 were \$15,178,326 and the total disbursements were \$13,727,049.

The first annual meeting of the Society of Chemical Industry ever held in America will convene in New York on September 8. Members will be present from all quarters of the globe. The visitors will go to the St. Louis fair for five days and will also visit Washington, Philadelphia,

Pittsburg, Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit, Niagara Falls and Boston.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, Pa., has discharged 10,000 men. The greatest number ever employed by this company is 16,000 and the present action of the management is due, it is said, to the lack of orders for engines and is attributed to the falling off of the railroad business.

Three of the Hawaiian delegates to the national democratic convention at St. Louis have arrived. They are Colonel H. C. Iakuea, T. B. Lyons and J. L. Coke. Former Associate Justice Galbraith, another delegate from Hawaii, will join them in the east.

An Associated press dispatch, under date of Trenton, N. J., June 27, says: Charles D. Henderson, jr., of Jersey City, and Joseph W. W. Newlin of Philadelphia, counsel for George Rice of Marietta, O., today filed in the court of chancery a bill for the dissolution of the Standard Oil company, a New Jersey corporation, charging that the company is illegal and that it exists in violation of the anti-trust laws of the United States and of the laws of this state relating to monopolies. The bill relates the Standard company in Ohio was declared illegal by the courts of the state, but that the company, instead of dissolving, in obedience to that decision, has, by subterfuges, evaded the Ohio decision and that the New Jersey corporation is merely a holding company for the Ohio concern. The bill asks that not only the company be dissolved, but that its assets be distributed among its stockholders after paying off its outstanding securities. For the accomplishment of this purpose it is asked that a receiver be appointed.

Baron Alphonse de Rothschild, Baron Edward de Rothschild and Baron Gustave de Rothschild of Paris have called upon M. Trouillot, the minister of commerce of that city, and informed him of their intention to give \$2,000,000 for the purpose of providing cheap and healthy residences for the poor working people of Paris. It is announced that the profits arising from renting these dwelling houses will be used to better the conditions of the working people.

It is said that John Dowie has bought a tract of land in New York for the establishment of a new Zion City.

Attorney Frank J. Hangs, representative of the Western Federation of Miners at Cripple Creek, Colo., indicated that he will commence test cases in the district court before District Judge Seeds to determine whether the detained union men affiliated with the Western Federation of Miners are held as civil or military prisoners.

Resolutions denouncing most of the officials of Colorado were adopted by the North American Turnerbund at Pittsburg. The convention of 1905 will be held at Newark, N. J.

President Amador of Panama has signed the bill for a monetary law passed by the legislature. The law practically establishes the gold standard.

Dan Emmett, the old time minstrel and famous as the composer of "Dixie," died suddenly last night at Mount Vernon, O. He was about 86 years old.

At the hearing of the merchant marine commission one of the interesting features brought out was a statement by James C. Wallace of the American Shipbuilding company. He said that American steel was delivered at Belfast for \$24 a ton, while the same steel cost purchasers in this country \$32 at Pittsburg.

Captain Van Shack of the ill-fated General Slocum, together with others of the crew of that steamer, are held criminally responsible for the wreck by the coroner's jury.

An Associated press dispatch, under date of Paris, June 28, says: Ambassador Porter today transmitted to Foreign Minister Delcasse an expression of the American government's appreciation of and thanks for the good offices of France in behalf of Mr. Perdicaris.

The government of Ireland is inquiring into the question of tobacco culture, and through Mr.

Gill, its secretary of agriculture, who is now in this country, has asked Secretary Wilson to designate some tobacco expert for employment in Ireland.

In the annual allotment of \$1,000,000, appropriated for providing for arms and equipment for the organized militia of the United States, Nebraska gets \$15,958; Iowa, \$25,932; South Dakota, \$7,979, and Wyoming, \$5,984.

Out of the twenty-five youths who had passed their mental examination for admission to the naval academy at Annapolis, Md., and were examined physically, only eleven were successful. The physical examination is said to be unusually rigid.

The whipping-post, so prominent in our early history, is to be again revived, according to the decision of Police Judge Riley of Lexington, Ky. John West, a 14-year-old colored boy, who had been convicted of injuring private property, was stripped of his coat and given fifty lashes with a buggy whip, in the presence of 1,000 people in the public square. Considerable resentment was shown on the part of negroes who, it is said, will test the legality of the decision. This is the second negro who has received this treatment in the past month.

An Associated press dispatch, under date of Washington, D. C., June 28, says: The bureau of labor is making an investigation of the labor difficulties in Colorado under the organic act of the bureau which charges the commissioner of labor to investigate the causes of and the facts relating to controversies between employers and employees. The investigation, which is already under way, may last for some time, as it is the intention of the bureau to go to the very beginning of the trouble and endeavor to ascertain exactly what the difficulties are and the causes leading to them.

Colonel Joseph B. Brigham, assistant secretary of agriculture, is dead at Delta, O. Mr. Brigham was on his way to St. Louis to attend a meeting of the board of governors of the St. Louis convention, of which he was chairman. He has occupied his position since the first administration of President McKinley.

The cable of July 1 reported a big naval battle on between the Russians and Japanese, midway between Chee Foo and Port Arthur. The details were meagre. Heavy fighting near Port Arthur on June 26 was reported on July 1. The land forces engaged in a desperate struggle, the odds favoring the Japanese.

Michigan republicans met in convention on July 1 and nominated the following ticket: Governor, Fred M. Warner of Farmington; lieutenant governor, Alex Maitland of Negaunee; state treasurer, Frank P. Glazier of Chelsea; secretary of state, George A. Prescott of Tawas City; auditor general, Dr. J. B. Bradley of Eaton Rapids; attorney general, Charles A. Blair of Jackson; superintendent of public instruction, P. H. Kelley of Detroit; member of the state board of education, L. T. Wright of Ironwood; land commissioner, W. H. Rose of Clinton.

On July 1 Paul Morton assumed the duties of secretary of the navy, succeeding Mr. Moody.

The state of Nebraska, by its attorney general and governor, has sued the Nebraska State Journal for \$72,000, charging betrayal of trust. The Journal company had the contract for printing the statutes, and it is charged that after printing the number required by contract, it printed other editions and sold them to attorneys at a cost less than that fixed by the state for its own volumes.

Victor H. Metcalf, formerly a congressman from California, was sworn in on July 1 as secretary of labor and commerce, succeeding Mr. Cortelyou, who resigned to become chairman of the republican national committee.

J. E. Chandler, formerly secretary of the Idaho Springs, Colo., Miners' union, a branch of the Western Federation of Miners, was recently arrested on the charge of causing the explosion in the Sun and Moon mine, which resulted in great destruction of property. The "citizens' alliance" used every effort to secure a conviction, but Chandler was acquitted.