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George Schneider died at Colorado Springs, September 17. Prior to the war he published an anti-slavery paper at St. Louis. He later moved to Chicago, and took charge of the Illinois Staats Zeitung. President Lincoln appointed him minister to Denmark.

Cole Younger, who is promoting an electric railway from Kansas City to Lone Jack, by way of Lees Summit, says his scheme is being financed by eastern capitalists. The St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that United States Senator Stephen B. Elkins is Younger's chief backer. It is claimed that during the war Younger saved Elkins' life.

A Washington dispatch to the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that it will take twenty years and one billion dollars to construct the Panama canal.

It is announced from St. Petersburg that the czar of Russia proposes to address the foreign powers with a view to holding a second peace conference at The Hague. This action will be taken in line with the general movement toward the world's peace.

"Rain in the Face," one of the leading chiefs in the Custer massacre and who is said personally to have killed General Custer, died at the Standing Rock reservation at South Dakota. He was 62 years old.

The member of the beef trust have attacked the indictments brought against them in the federal court on technical grounds relating to informalities in the impaneling of the grand jury and the service of writs upon the defendants.

Philadelphia's new city party, a body opposed to the methods of the republican organization, nominated a county ticket September 20, the same to be voted on at the November election. The friends of Mayor Weaver control the new party. The democratic county convention endorsed the new party's ticket.

Dispatches to the Chicago Record-Herald say that word has been received at Cody, Wyo., to the effect that Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show has been quarantined in France, and that all the show horses were shot on official orders on account of glanders.

Baron Komura, Japan's representative who has been seriously ill in New York, is now on his road to health.

Lindon W. V. Bates, an engineer representing a large syndicate, has offered to build the Panama canal on a single contract at a fixed price and guaranteeing to do the work within a certain time.

State Auditor Sherrick of Indiana, has been removed by Governor Hanly. He is charged with squandering money and being an active agent for the railroads.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Washington, September 21, follows: "Mr. Quesada, the Cuban minister, this morning personally handed to the secretary of state a copy of the following cable message received from Senor Ofarrill, secretary of state of Cuba: This morning the coat of arms of the United States consulate at Cienfuegos appeared de-

filed. Express to the secretary of state how deeply the government deplores this occurrence, which must not be interpreted as a demonstration of hostility on the part of the Cuban people towards the American people, but as an isolated act due to a criminal hand to the end of creating difficulties for the government. An immediate investigation has been ordered to punish the author of such repugnant action. The Cuban government also has apologized to Charge d'Affaires Sleeper at Havana."

Paul Morton, president of the Equitable, has ordered suits to recover one million dollars, which he says was paid without authority under the old Equitable management.

The Allegheny Presbytery of the United Presbyterian church in session at Pittsburg adopted a resolution giving women the right to attend and vote at all the sessions of the Presbytery.

George MacDonald, author of many works of fiction, died at London, September 18. He was eighty years of age.

Chicago dispatches say that the Harvester trust will build factories in Europe because of possible retaliatory tariff laws.

The sovereign grand lodge of the Odd Fellows, in session at Philadelphia, selected Toronto, Canada, as the next place of meeting.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Chicago, September 21, says: "Four officials of the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Packing company of Chicago were fined an aggregate of \$25,000 by Judge Humphrey in the United States district court here today. The fines followed a plea of guilty to indictments charging conspiracy to accept railroad rebates. The defendants were Samuel Weil of New York, vice president of the company; B. S. Cusey, traffic manager; Vance D. Skipworth and Chess E. Todd, assistant traffic managers. Mr. Weil was fined \$10,000 and the other three \$5,000 each."

Many Norwegians have expressed opposition to Prince Charles and declared in favor of the opportunity to vote for a republic.

New Orleans dispatches say that the yellow fever has now been brought thoroughly under control.

President Roosevelt recently called a conference of his friends for the purpose of discussing the disclosures regarding life insurance companies.

An Associated Press dispatch under date of Washington, September 21, says: "The report of the commissioner of pensions for the fiscal year ending July 1 shows that during the year there were 46,985 allowances under the old age disability order of March 15, 1904. It also shows that 655 pensions of \$72 a month have been increased to \$100 a month on account of blindness under the act of April 8, 1904. There are pending only 15,256 original claims of survivors of the Civil war and the commissioner gives assurance that they will be adjudicated as speedily as possible. There are still five pensioners on account of the war of the revolution, one of them being Esther S. Damon, the widow of a revolutionary soldier, and the other

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