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CURRENT COMMENT

The recent annual convention has been signed at Constantinople by the plenipotentiaries of all the European powers.

The case of General Adam Badeau against the widow of General U. S. Grant for \$10,000 for alleged services on General Grant's memoirs has been discontinued on consent of both parties.

The Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants of Great Britain and Ireland met at Preston recently. Their condition was flourishing, the membership being 11,630 and the income for 1907 having been £22,983 and the expenditures £16,465.

The other night H. L. Wood, a professional gambler, got drunk and terrorized Ardmore, L. T., with his revolver. Next morning he was found on the Santa Fe railroad track fatally mangled. He had evidently fallen there in a drunken stupor.

QUEEN NATALIE has sent a formal protest against the divorce granted to King Milan by the Metropolitan of Belgrade to the Greek Orthodox Synods of Bucharest and Athens, and to the Holy Synod of St. Petersburg and to the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople.

HON. MICHAEL HENRY HERBERT has been appointed British chargé d'affaires at Washington. Lord Rockville will go to England on leave of absence. It was understood that the British Government would allow his case to rest until after the Presidential election.

INFORMATION having been received at the Navy Department that the steel cruiser Boston had arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, Acting Secretary Harmony decided to revoke the orders sending the Kearsarge, now lying in dock at Portsmouth, N. H., to protect American interests in Hayti and to order the Boston there in her stead.

WHARTON J. GREEN, ex-Congressman from the Third North Carolina district, and Mrs. Addie E. Davis, widow of the late Vice-President David Davis, were married at Fayetteville, N. C., recently. The bride, whose maiden name was Burr, was a relative of Congressman Green's first wife and was married to Mr. Davis at the Green mansion early in the spring of 1893.

AT a recent meeting of the New York Board of Estimate and Apportionment District Attorney Fellows stated that within two years past his office and the police authorities had established a secret service system for the purpose of watching the opponents of law and order all over the civilized world. Anarchists and Socialists were among those who were being watched.

JUDGE D. R. EYLES died at his home at Greencastle, Ind., on the 30th after a sickness of several months. He was born in Kentucky in 1806 and settled at Greencastle in 1838. He was the first mayor of the city, a Circuit Judge for sixteen years and Chief Justice of Utah under President Buchanan. He was a leading politician and was highly respected.

THE Java Bule says that the inquiries made into the outbreak in Bantam and the resulting massacres point to religious fanaticism as the moving spring. One of the leaders and many others implicated belong to a Mohammedan sect styled "Nakhshibendiya," which has taken deep root in West Java. It regularly receives orders from Mecca, where the Grand Master, a native of Bantam, resides.

THE extension of railways in Chihli and Shantung provinces has now the earnest attention of the Chinese Government. The Governor of Shantung, Chang, is in correspondence with the Chinese Li Hung-chang on the subject, and it is contemplated to set to work as soon as possible to build a line from Tehchow to Tai-nan Fu, the provincial capital of Shantung. The country is already being surveyed along the route.

THE will of John Guy Vassar, of Foughkeeps, N. Y., makes public bequests to the amount of \$500,000. Legacies are left to cousins and other relatives at the rate of \$1,000 each. The Vassar brewery property is divided equally between O. H. Booth and Vassar Harbottle. The residuary legacies are Vassar College, the Vassar Brothers' Hospital and the Vassar Orphan Home. Mr. Vassar is estimated to have been worth \$1,500,000.

WOLVES are reported playing havoc with sheep and colts in Northern and Eastern Montana. Chouteau County is the greatest sufferer. It might possibly stand off its own wolves, but with the whole Northwest Territory across the line full of them and constantly breeding them, it can make little headway in their destruction. Unless the next Legislative Assembly takes some measures to destroy these fast-multiplying pests the stock industry in Northern Montana will be seriously crippled, if not altogether destroyed.

At the opening of court in Montreal the other day Judge Church, in his charge to the jury, advocated the establishment of a provincial detective system under the sole control of the executive, and denounced in the most scathing terms the private detective agencies. He said: "There is to my mind something outrageous in men assuming for consideration to become paid spies over their fellow citizens in the interest of any one asking their services to shadow and track them down, etc., to report without responsibility on the private lives of those whom they shadow, or to report reproaching their families, this too often met for the most laudable purpose."

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Classified by Telegraph and Mail

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL

ALLAN D. BROWN will command the Kearsage, detailed for duty in Haytian waters.

The International Peace Arbitration Society met at Paris on the 21st. Many delegates from the English House of Commons were present. It was resolved to organize an international congress to meet in 1909, representing America, England, France and other countries favorable to it.

THE Dublin Express, the leading Irish Conservative paper, has come out for proprietorship for Irish estates—particularly those now in control of the courts.

SIXTEEN rebels attacked Sukrim recently and burned the zareba about the same time, but were repulsed by a heavy fire from the ships and fort.

A. C. BERRYMAN, First Lieutenant United States Navy, attached to the Enterprise, has been sent home from Europe under sentence of a court martial.

THE Chinese Exclusion bill is causing much suffering to Chinese who are detained at the British Columbia boundary line while on their way back to the United States after visiting China.

THE condition of the King of the Netherlands has grown worse, and is declared to be critical.

THE Manitoba Legislature has been called to meet to consider the railroad situation. MUNICIPAL elections were held in Birmingham, Eng., on the 1st. Returns from nine wards show the election of seven Liberals and two Gladstonians.

It is stated that the nobles in the Caucasus contemplate an emuete at the first opportunity, and that the official accounts of the czar's reception on his tour were not true.

THE president's thanksgiving proclamation was issued on the 1st, appointing November 29 for the purpose.

THE demonstration of university students at Berlin in honor of Mrs. Bergmann and Gerhardt was held on the 21st. The medical students, absent themselves, and only 200 of the others out of a total of 5,000 took part in the procession.

NEWS has been received lately of the Stanley expedition in Africa. The expedition had suffered considerably while crossing the Victoria Nile. The men were drowned while crossing a great river, flowing east and west. One white man had died.

THE President of Vienna, says the Vatican fully approves the Emperor's coronation of Bishop Strosmayer, whose letter to Mr. Rampolla, Papal Secretary of State, has not removed the painful impression experienced by the Vatican regarding the pan-Slavist message which the Bishop sent to Kief.

BEHNSON has announced the existence of a concerted plan to misrepresent Emperor William, and declares that the municipal authorities have no influence over the press. They express regret that the Kaiser did not distinctly specify the offensive articles in his remarks to the municipal council.

REV. JOHN R. FOLEY was consecrated Catholic Bishop of Detroit at Baltimore, Md., with imposing ceremonies on the 4th. A "BLUE BOOK" on the Minister Brackville affair is being prepared for the British and American governments.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

W. F. PRYOR, general manager of the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley and Sioux City & Pacific, has resigned.

A CARELESS man and a match caused the destruction of fifty tons of hay, at a loss of \$2,000, at the farm of A. J. Scott, near Beaver City, the other day.

A COLORED barber named Miller recently tried to end a family difficulty at Oakland by taking a dose of laudanum. A stomach pump relieved the would-be suicide from the grave.

ROBERT D. FOWLER, the well known Chicago pork packer, has been held on a charge of \$20,000 and \$30,000 and contradictory statements with reference to the ownership of his property in two separate suits.

CLEARING HOUSE returns for week ended November 10 showed an average decrease of 7, compared with the corresponding week of last year. In New York the decrease was 49.

THE Santa Fe officials have received notice that the strike on the California Southern had ended.

THE before the American Exchange in Paris have been ordered upon under the supervision of the courts.

THE Roman Catholics of Australia and India have sent the Pope \$1,000,000 in praise in the past year.

AN extra freight train from the east at midnight the other night was wrecked about a mile from Valparaiso. Six cars were thrown from the track but no one was hurt.

At the recent vote for county seat in Gosper County Elwood won by a vote of 70 to 44 for Homerville.

THE neighborhood of Oronoke has been devastated recently by prairie fires.

MISS HATTIE, eldest daughter of Senator Paulsen, was recently married at Fort Snelling to Mr. O. A. Colman, president of the First National Bank of Boston.

ANOTHER fair outlook for the morning Emma Barlow, the twenty-year-old daughter of C. T. Barlow, ex-county treasurer, and a prominent citizen of Dixon county, wandered away from home and was missing for several days.

W. T. Tate, a real estate agent, seized his young son, Charles, and took him to an adjacent town, where he was confined in a jail. The boy's pleadings for mercy were heard two blocks away. The man's wife finally interceded and rescued the lad from his ferocious brother.

THERE is a talk of a railway being built between Kearney and Broken Bow, and committees from both towns are being appointed to confer with regard to the matter.

A BORN-THIEF named Mike Chelski, wanted in Illinois, was recently arrested in Leup City and released on \$500 bail. The Illinois officer arrived to secure his prisoner it was found that Mike had jumped his bonds and again run away with the stolen property.

DEATH IN A MINE

Fatal Explosion in a Pennsylvania Coal Mine—Accident Killed.

LOUIS HAYES, a New Yorker, in the Kettle Creek Coal Mine, Company's mines, thirty miles west of the city, where he had recently opened, Saturday night an explosion occurred in a new drift in which forty-one persons were at work.

As soon as possible the mine was entered and the bodies of those who were killed and four others badly injured were found. One of whom has since died and others are likely to die. The cause of the explosion is unknown, but it is supposed to have been the striking of a flint or product of gas. Yesterday afternoon the disfigured and mangled body of a miner was found fifty feet from the mouth of the shaft through which it had been blown.

Superintendent George D. Miller upon learning a heavy report at the new No. 2 drift went to the spot and at once made a very careful examination of the place. The necessary arrangements were quickly made to carry air to the face of the work and men entered the mine to learn what had occurred. Of the twenty-one men who had been working in the drift only three of four escaped death or injury. At the end of an hour's hard work fourteen dead bodies had been recovered from the drift and two of those who were injured subsequently died. One man was missing and his remains were found out in the woods, where they had been blown by the force of the explosion through the air shaft.

The total number of killed or fatally injured was found to be sixteen. All but four of them were Hungarians or Italians whose names are not known. The four English speaking men are named National Killinger, Patrick Donnell, Michael Corbin and J. L. Carleton. The driver J. Farrell, was entering the drift when the explosion occurred, but was thrown toward the mouth and escaped. His horse was killed. The fact that bodies were blown clear out of the mouth of the drift. Every thing possible was done for the injured by the mine physicians, and the bodies of the dead were taken charge of by an undertaker and prepared for interment. The interior of the mine was washed and will hold an inquest.

It is thought that in making a blast a "gas feeder" was struck, filling a chamber with gas, which coming in contact with a naked lamp produced the explosion. A "gas feeder" is a piece of iron imbedded in the coal. As soon as a spark struck into it the gas escapes, and if any thing ignites it an explosion follows. It is generally concluded that there was good ventilation, and the miners were fully supplied with food. The superintendent says the accident could not have been foreseen and that no blame attaches to any one.

A BOLD ROBBER

Solitary and Alone He Boards a Train and Gets Away With a Fortune.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 5.—The United States express messenger on the train on the New Orleans & Northern railway, which arrived here Saturday morning at seven o'clock, was robbed at five a. m. between Lacey and Derby, fifty miles from this city. The express officials decline to state the amount of the robbery, but it is understood the loss is between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

Between the stations the robber entered the express car. Henry McElroy, the baggage-master, was sitting on a chest near the middle of the car and Express Messenger Charles Lauray was at the end of the car checking off freight. The robber went first to the baggage-master, presented a pistol and required McElroy to hold up his hands. Quickly throwing a sack over McElroy's head the robber gave his attention to the messenger, who was required at the point of a pistol to open his safe. A sack of gold was placed over the messenger's head while the robber proceeded with the work of securing the money. Both McElroy and Lauray were required, under threat, to hold up their hands.

After securing the contents of the safe, the robber pulled the bell rope, the train then being near Nicholson station, forty-five miles from this city. When the train stopped he left the car unobserved. The conductor did not know why the train stopped and on starting he called to another train, found the rear of the coach next to the baggage car locked and the key left in the door on the outside. When the express car was finally reached both McElroy and Lauray were found standing with their hands up and a sack of gold in their possession. The impression that the robber was still present. Only one man was seen by Lauray.

THE UNION PACIFIC.

Decrease in the Earnings Surprises President Adams.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 4.—The gross earnings of the Union Pacific Company for September were \$1,967,303, a decrease for the same month last year of \$207,704; surplus, \$1,000,133; a decrease of \$277,741; increase in expenses was \$222,738. For nine months to September 30 the gross earnings were \$17,842,312, a decrease of \$1,102,102; increase in expenses, \$833,239. The decrease in the net earnings of the Union Pacific for September was considerable of a surprise. President Adams says he knows of no reason for the large increase in the operating expenses, but he says that the decrease in net earnings is due to the fact that the disturbing element with all Western railway property, and he knows no reason why the Union Pacific should be exempt.

Supposed Terrorist

LEXINGTON, Nov. 4.—Thomas A. Watts, a trustworthy citizen who lives in Amberst, visited Lexington Friday for the purpose of notifying the Chicago authorities that a man answering the description of Tascott, the much wanted Chicago man, was in the city. Tascott is about twenty-five miles from Lexington in a wild and sparsely settled portion of the country. Watts had a full description of Tascott and a tintype of the prisoner and they agree exactly. The man under arrest has been working on the neighborhood of Amberst for some time, working at a trap line he could get to do, and looks like a tramp.

Seminary Burned

CONROY, Ill., Nov. 3.—The Monticello ladies' seminary caught fire at one o'clock yesterday morning and by daylight was destroyed. The fire originated in a frame building adjoining the main building, used as a kitchen and servants' quarters. The inmates of the seminary were awakened. Miss Haskell ordered the people to dress and secure what effects they could and then leave the house. There was no panic, and people and teachers escaped without injury, but some were frightened and beggled to escape themselves and their property for comfort. The seminary loss on building and contents is over \$100,000; insurance \$20,000. The loss of people and teachers in clothing and jewelry is heavy.

Prisoner Freed

JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 4.—At a late hour last night the prairie fire was still raging in Sioux Valley township. Unless some checked dozens of families will be driven from their homes. Five fires are already reported and many more are feared. Property will reach many thousands of dollars. Beale, Mrs. O'Connor and her babe, whose cremation was reported yesterday, Henry Ray, a farm hand, was burned to death in a barn on the Edward's farm and a woman named Mary was killed. Mrs. Jones, a friend in the eastern portion of the township, was burned to death but nothing definite has as yet been learned.

NEWS FROM STANLEY.

The Expedition Reported Struggling Through Terrible Difficulties.

ZAMBIA, Nov. 3.—Cablegrams from Tabora bring direct news from the Stanley expedition, a portion of which was met at the end of November last, by Arabs trading between Lake Victoria, Uganda and Tanganyika. These Arabs met Stanley and Ngao and Tabora. These Arabs met Stanley's men, guided at a point west of Albert Nyanza, southwest of Nangpa, but as the expedition was preparing to cross swamps caused by the radiation of the atmosphere, it was decided to cross early. The Arabs did not see Stanley. The detachment sent consisted of thirty men. They stated that Stanley was two days ahead. The expedition had suffered greatly on the march through a thick forest, where it was impossible to advance more than a few miles in any one day. They had also suffered in the marshes, where many had disappeared or died. Forty were drowned in crossing a great river flowing from east to west. One white man had died. Stanley was obliged to abandon the trail that refused to supply food with provisions, and the expedition had often failed in the expectation of receiving reinforcements from the Congo. The two camps, at the time met, had only been on the march five days after a halt of three weeks, due to the illness of Stanley and a great part of the escort, who had been attacked with fever.

The Arabs estimate the total strength of the expedition, after all losses, at 200 men. The health of Stanley was then good. The rear guard, which consisted of natives of Zambesi, stated that Stanley had decided that he would no longer advance in a westerly direction but would strike toward the north, hoping to avoid the swamps. After getting a certain distance he intended to take an oblique line toward the eastward, and go straight to Wadai, which he would reach in about thirty days. The Arabs were of the opinion that the expedition was strong enough to reach Wadai.

It will be remembered that August information was given that Stanley had been captured by the Arabs. The latter had reported that Stanley had not arrived at Wadai up to that time. The messenger stated that in the month of March Stanley had crossed some swamps and had followed through from tribe to tribe, but that the reports were conflicting. Some declared that Stanley, after losing a number of men and a large portion of his supplies, was formed in by hostile tribes between the Malindi coast and the Albert Nyanza, while others said that he was to the effect that he had been attacked by the tribes in the Malindi-Malindi district and after several conflicts, had diverted his course in an unknown direction.

The business failures the last seven days number 27, as compared with a total of 24 last week and 22 the week previous.

BUSINESS GOOD.

The Regular Weekly Review of the Country's Trade Shows Every Thing to Be Satisfactory.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—In its review of the trade situation *Fraser's* speaks as follows: An exceptionally good trade is reported from Kansas City, where the volume of trade is estimated at 20 per cent in excess of the total for October, 1907. The Louisiana crop is estimated at 675,000 bags of rough cotton, as against 600,000 in 1907. The cotton crop in the entire lower Mississippi valley is more brisk since the crop began to move. Southern Georgia trade, particularly at Savannah, has been restricted by the epidemic of Florida. The advance in the price of hogs and sheep raised in New England manufacturers has not been realized. Collections Northwest have improved and greater ease is announced in the Central, Western and Southern States. Funds are growing easy at all centers and even those at which the heaviest drafts were made from the great agricultural regions now report a returning current of more ready funds than are in demand at the moment. Stock speculation at New York is vigorous. Prices declined at first on bullish manipulations, but recovered strength later on. Money in New York is in slack demand with call loans from 2 to 3 per cent. Foreign exchange is dull and slightly stronger.

The report of stocks of wheat out of farmers' hands out of the Rocky Mountain, covering nearly 1,000 points of accumulation, shows 44,325,000 bushels, an increase for the country within a month estimated by higher prices of 6,000,000 bushels. The total that is reported is 50,000,000 bushels less than was held a year ago. Wheat flour stocks aggregate 1,511,000 bushels, an increase of 75 per cent, since October 1. Exports of wheat declined heavily on the Pacific coast, the total shipped to that coast for the week ending September were 2,967,303, a decrease for the same month last year of \$207,704; surplus, \$1,000,133; a decrease of \$277,741; increase in expenses was \$222,738. For nine months to September 30 the gross earnings were \$17,842,312, a decrease of \$1,102,102; increase in expenses, \$833,239. The decrease in the net earnings of the Union Pacific for September was considerable of a surprise. President Adams says he knows of no reason for the large increase in the operating expenses, but he says that the decrease in net earnings is due to the fact that the disturbing element with all Western railway property, and he knows no reason why the Union Pacific should be exempt.

CHARLES STEVENS, the Chase County man who shot Charles Field, was confined at the Missouri State Penitentiary, at Imperial, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Field still carries the bullet in his body and will probably be a cripple for life.

ARTICLES incorporating the Nebraska Railway Bill Company were recently filed with the Secretary of State. The object of the association is to build a bridge across the Missouri river at or near Ponca, Dixon County, and lay on over the bridge railway tracks for the more prompt connection of any and all roads that may approach the city. Wagon or vehicle routes over the bridge will also be constructed. Capital stock \$2,500,000, divided into 22,500 shares of \$100 each.

At Hastings the other evening Frank Fawcett and David Crinklow alias Kid Hawkins, gamblers, quarreled in a saloon and after a few blows were exchanged, eight shots were fired, three striking Fawcett, killing him instantly. Crinklow fled.

A DELEGATION of St. Joseph (Mo.) business men were recently dispatched to Griggs Island and shown the sights in that beautiful spot.

A late decision of the Supreme Court held that "where real estate has been condemned for public use and damages awarded to the land owner by a jury, and the only error assigned in the Supreme Court is that the jury failed to award the court ordinarily will not vacate or modify the verdict if it is based on the testimony in the case."

The Lincoln paper mill employs forty hands and manufactures six tons of paper daily. The mill is owned by the Lincoln Paper Co. A MONTGOMERY, a sixteen-year-old girl of Wheeler County, died very suddenly the other day. As she finished playing on the piano she remarked that it was her farewell piece and in five minutes was dead.

The corner-stone of the new court house was laid at Lincoln, the other day by the Masonic fraternity after the usual rites and customs.

The prospects for the establishment of a counting factory at Columbus are very bright. A saw mill is also being worked hard to secure a bridge across the Platte.

BATHGARDNER & HONELL, dry goods and grocery dealers of Ulysses, have failed. With assets of \$3,000 and liabilities of \$4,000.

WEST MUST GO.

The British Minister Notified That He Would Return Home This Evening.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 31.—By direction of the President, the Secretary of State yesterday notified Lord Salisbury that the British minister should return home this evening.

On September 1 a letter, containing a copy of the report of the Secretary of State, was written by the British minister to the President. The report was a long one, and would occupy a large number of the minutes of the Executive Council. The report was a long one, and would occupy a large number of the minutes of the Executive Council.

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