

NEW EXCLUSION ACT LESS DRASTIC

senator Hoar Alone In Opposition to the Measure on Final Vote -Not Far Different From Present Law-

Other General News.

The drastic Chinese exclusion bill, originally framed by the senators and representatives from the Pacific states, met defeat in the senate Wednesday, and in its place was substituted a measure offered by Mr. Platt of Connecticut extending the provisions of the present exclusion law and also ap-plying that exclusion to all insular territory under the jurisdiction of the United States.

The vote by which the substitute took the place of the original bill was, yeas 48 to nays 33. Once the substitution had been made all senators joined in its support, with the single exception of Mr. Hoar, the substitute being passed 76 to 1. The friends of the substitute showed their strength throughout the voting on amendments that preceded final action and succeeded in preventing any material change in its features. Some minor conditions were made, admitting Chinese persons connected with national expositions and providing for certificates of identification of Chinese in our insular possessions. Otherwise, however, the substitute was adopted substantially in the form that Mr. Platt presented

SUSTAINS LOWER DECISION

Illinois Supreme Court Decides Against Bucket Shops.

The Illinois supreme court handed lown over one hundred decisions, adjourning to the June term. In the "bucket shop" case the supreme court affirms the decision of the appellate court. The case is that of the Central Stock and Grain exchange against the Chicago board of trade and the Cleveland and Western Union Telegraph companies. The central exchange secured an injunction in the Cook county court restraining the board of trade from cutting off its market quotations. The appellate court reversed the lower court, dissolving the injunction, and the supreme court says the appellate court was right and that the markets sought were to be used in the conduct of busness in violation of the state law.

FARMERS SAVED \$12.000

Co-Operative Asso. at Solomon, Kan. Handled 234,538 Bushels of Wheat

The Farmers' Co-operative associaion of Solomon, Kan., has just closed its first year and the report shows the following amount of grain, etc., handled: Wheat, 234,538 bushels; oats,

Mrs. Stanley Declared Not Got Guilty of Killing War Veteran. The jury in the case of Mrs. Marie Stanley, eighteen years old, who has

been on trial at Ottawa. Kan., for the past week charged with having killed James B. Booth, an aged war veteran. returned a verdict finding her not guilty.

Booth's body was found in a well on January 10 last near the home of Mrs. Mary McCoy, mother of the defendant, and blood stains were traced to the McCoy house. Mrs. Stanley, her mother and her sister, Bessie Browning, were indicted on a charge of murder in the first degree, the information alleging that the three women had first struck Booth with an axe and then threw him into the well in such a manner that he was mortally wounded by the fall.

Conger Soon to Retire.

Minister Conger is to retire from his present mission to the Chinese court, it is said. Visitors to the White house intimate that President Roosevelt contemplated the appointment of W. W. Rockhill to the place. It was understood at the time when Mr. Conger was in the United States that a change was to be made which would probably result in Mr. Conger being succeeded by Mr. Rockhill. President Roosevelt may not carry out this program.

Cuban Constitution Published.

The Cuban constitution has been published in the Hayana Official Gazette, together with an order convening the new government. The order declares that the constitutional convention, which was dissolved by congress, will assemble in Havana May 5 for the purpose of examining credentials and counting and rectifying the electoral vote. The order provides that May 20, the date upon which Senor Estrada Palma is to be inaugurated president, shall be a special holiday.

Champions Cause of Wom en. The civil service commission has come out as a champion for the rights of women to employment, says Washington dispatch. Preference is now generally given to men employes in the government departments and the commission, though powerless to compel appointing officers to choose women, has, through President Proctor, issued a strong circular letter to the heads of departments, calling attention to this unjust discrimination

Robbed of \$1.40.

Bert A. Strayer, a clerk for the Pacific Express company, at Lincoln, was held up near Thirteenth and R streets by a white man and a negro, and relieved of \$140. After taking his watch the highwaymen returned it with the remark "it might tell tales." Mr. strayer at once reported the matter to the police and they spent the night in looking for the men. They have not yet been found.

Belgian Socialists Insistent.

The Belgian strike continues to spread among the miners and working men of all closses. The socialists claim that over 200,000 men will soon be out. They intend to make a formal demand in the chamber for universal suffrage and, as it doubtless will be set aside. it is feared that serious results will follow. The government is censoring all telegrams.

KANSAS WOMAN ACOTITTED MAY BE A MURDER

Aged Man Shot Dead on Farm Near Alliancc.

Coroner's Jury Sees Guilt- Riots in Bel glum Assuming Serious Aspect-Mob Fired Upon and Several Are Killed-Other News.

An Alliance, Neb., dispatch says: One of A Yahnke's sons came hurriedly to town with the report that an old man. Mike Sierks, had been accidentally shot in the abdomen with a shotgun and that a doctor was needed at once. The suspicions of citizens were aroused, and upon the death of Mr. Sierks a coroner's inquest was decided upon. The decision of the jury was that Michael Sierks came to his death by a gunshot wound in the abdomen from a shotgun in the hands of Oliver Olson, who shot with felonious intent. The decision also implicates A. Yahnke and son as accessories before the fact. Mr. Sierks was a much respected old gentleman and was at the home of Oliver Olson, twelve miles northwest of Alliance when the act was committed. The Yahnkes are residents of North Alliance. Facts in the case are meager, but the circumstances are unfavorable to the accused at best. The three men are in custody, and a preliminary will be held Monday before Justice Butler.

DON'T LIKE IT

New Charter is Unsatisfactory to Grand

Island Citizens. There is expressed considerable dissatisfaction with a number of the provisions of the new charter governing cities of more than 5,000 and less than 25,000 population, and at a recent meeting of the city council of Grand Island the suggestion was made by Councilman W. F. McLaughlin, that a committee be appointed to confer with like committees from the other cities of the Grand Island class in the state as to what changes would be desirable, with the end in view to formulate a new charter for passage by the next legislature. Mr. McLaughlin has consulted with a number of authorities from some of the other cities and it is quite likely that suca a move would

GAME WARDEN'S EXPENSES

Figures Showing the Receipts and Disbursements.

Sportsmen took much interest in the statement made recently that the provisions of the new game law bring in almost enough revenue to pay for the fish and game commission. Chief Deputy Game Warden Simpkins ha figured that the expense of running the commission from June 1, 1901, to De cember 31st, the same year, was \$4,

Mob in Belgium Riddled by Rifle Fire. The Brus els papers contain vivid descriptions of the riots which occurred at Louvain: The mob which was returning from the station after meeting the socialist SEVERAL NEIGHBORS UNDER SUSPICION deputies from Brussels, divided into dence of the president of the chamber, M. Schollaert, and the other for that of the minister of the interior, M. De Trooz. The first mentioned mob was

CLASH WITH TROOPS

led by a man of gigantic stature, flourishing a butcher knife. After breaking through the ranks of one squad of the civic guard, the mob found its way blocked in a narrow lane by another squad of the same organization.

An ower of the guard ran forward and calling upon the mob to halt, shouting that otherwise he would order his men to fire a volley upon them.

The rioters disregarded this order. The officer was about to give the command to fire, when the gigantic leader of the rioters leaped forward and seized the officer's throat with his big hands. He pinned him against the wall and leveled a pistol at his head. Another officer yelled the order to fire and plunged a bayonet into the giant's breast. The foremost of the rioters grasped the bayonets of the guards' levelled rifles in their bare hands. The volley rang out, in the narrow same the mob was riddled with bullets. Several were killed. The remainder of the rioters broke and fled.

BIG RIVER DISASTER

Steamer City of Pittsburg Burns and Sixty Souls Perish.

One of the worst disasters in the history of river navigation occurred near Ogden's Landing, near Cairo, Ill., Sunday. While almost all aboard were asleep the steamer City of Pittsburg was discovered on fire and in a few moments was burned to the water's edge. The loss of over \$80,000 on the steamer does not include the cargo, both being a total loss. The latest estimates are that there were 150 persons aboard and that no more than half o. them were saved, many of the latter being burned or injured. As the register of the steamer was burned no list can be given either of the victims or of the survivors and in the coufusion it has been impossible to get complete lists. Captain Phillips admits that the death list may reach sixty.

HAS THE LARYNX REMOVED

Rare Surgical Operation Performed at San Francisco.

The life of Aaron Johnson has been saved at the city and county hospital at San Francisco through an operation never before performed on the coast, the complete extirpation of the larynx, on which was a cancerous growth.

This will rank as one of three or four successful cases on record in the world, for the danger point is now re-garded as passed. An artificial larynx which it

SMITH TO ANSWER

The General to Undergo a Courtmartial.

MUST POSTPONE HIS HOME-COMING

frial the Outcome of Orders From Secretary Root, and Based on Orders Given Major Waller to Kill and Barn-Other News,

A M. nila, April 22, dispatch says: A court-martial has been ordered for the trial of Gen. Jacob H. Smith, who was in command of the United States troops on the island of Samar.

Generals Lloyd Wheaton, Samuel S. Sumner, James M. Bell and William H. Bisbee and Colonels Chambers Mc-Kibben, William A. Rafferty, William E. Dougherty, Alfred C. Markley and Jesse M. Lee compose the court. The judge advocate is Major Harvey C. Carbaugh. Colonel Charles A. Woodruff will appear for the defense.

The charge brought against General Smith is conduct prejudicial to good order and discipline. The United States army transport

Buford left here today for San Francisco after having been detained in quarantine for five days.

Gen. Jacob H. Smith, who was in command of the forces in Samar at the time Commander Major Waller of the marine corps is said to have executed natives of that island without trial, was to have gone home on Buford, but has disembarked here.

Orders have been received here from Washington to hold a court of inquiry into the general conduct of affairs in Samar. General Smith asserts that to the best of his belief the officers and men of his command in Samar had to face insurmountable difficulties; that the difficulties they encountered were almost unbearable and that the treachery of the natives of the island is unequalled in the history of warfare. He says the American soldiers acted in the circumstances with the greatest forebearance shown in the war in the Philippines.

"Campaigning in Samar is not a pleasure trip, but a stern reality," said General Smith. He also expressed his doubt if the troops of any nation in the world would or could have acted in the circumstances in Samar as did the Americans.

WILL HEAR THE CASE

Supreme Court Grants State of Wash ington Her Request.

Leave to file a bill of complaint against the Northern Securities company by the state of Washington was granted in the supreme court of the United States in accordance with the general rule. A motion for leave to hle was orally argued last week by Attorney General Stratton of Washington state. The case will be immediately filed and a date set for hearing.

The chief justice read a brief opin-

BAD FIRE AT DALLAS

Two Persons Fatally Hort and Property Loss Very Great.

Two persons fatally injured, Fire Chief Magee prostrated and a property loss of \$370,000 is the result of several fires which occurred at Dallas, Texas, Sunday. An alarm was turned in from the Dorsey printing establishment, on lower Elm street, and in a short time one of the flercest conflagrations which has visited Dallas in years was in progress. To add to the troubles of the firemen, several other alarms from different parts of the city were turned in in quick succession.

Fireman Will Spurr was struck in the face with a brick and it is said fatally injured.

The young son of Fire Chief Magee was found on the floor of the engine room at the central station with a fractured skull.

The Dorsey Printing company's plant was totally destroyed, the loss being about \$200,000.

While the Dorsey fire was in progress a fire broke out on Lamar street. near Collins, and twenty buildings were destroyed.

Half of them were ordinary business houses and the remainder boarding houses and dwellings.

The Griffith Lumber company is one of the principal losers in that section of the city, where it is estimated the losses will aggregate \$150,000, of which Griffith & Co. sustain \$50,000.

The loss of the Keating Implement company is heavy, but not accurately known.

About a dozen of the smaller mercantile and manufacturing establishments were destroyed, the losses ranging from \$8,000 down.

Jersey Will be Its Home.

It is stated that the new company to control the Atlantic steamship lines, just combined, will be incorporated in New Jersey, with a capital of about \$150,000,000, says the Journal of Commerce. The underwriting syndicate was organized on the basis of \$100 .-000,000 stock and \$44,000,000 in 41/2 per cent bonds. The syndicate is understood to be virtually the same as the new one which floated the United States steel corporation.

Forest Reserves for Nebrasks.

News was received Tuesday at the Nebraska state university that President Roosevelt has issued a proclamation setting aside \$6,000 acres of land in Thomas county and 126,000 acres in Cherry county to form a forest reserve. This is something that the department of forestry at the university has been working for for a long time. Those interested in the state along this particular line are much pleased.

To Try Long's Slayers.

The trial of the men and women charged with the robbery and murder of Noah Long, who was hurled from the old Southern bridge in Argentine, Kan., into the ley waters of the Kaw river on the night of January 29, will begin in the district court at Kansas City, Kan., soon. The first of the cases to be tried will be that of Henry Donahue. It will probably be followed by the case of James Goff.

meet with favor by all.

3.750 bushels; bran, 140,000 pounds shorts, 57,000 pounds; mill feed, 24,000 wounds; binding twine, 35,0000 pounds, the total business done was \$168,061. The saving to the farmers on wheat alone was four cents a bushel or more, amounting to \$9,380. The association ended the year with \$4,216 undivided profits on hand in addition to giving the members better prices than they would otherwise have received.

CHINESE ARE UNEASY

Authorities Fear for Safety of Troops Sent to Oppose Rebels.

Great anxiety is felt at Canton, China, because of the absence of communication with Marshal Su and General Ma, who are commanding the imperial forces against the Kwangsi rebels. It is feared the rebels have surrounded the imperial troops.

A courier reports that over 2,000 imperials recently sent to dislodge rebels in a village were ambushed in a defile and were either killed or captured. The viceroy has sent to Pekin for reinforcements.

HORRIBLE MASSACRE

Burds Actroclously Butcher Three Handred Christians.

Kurdish irregulars, commanded by Ibraham Pasha, recently endeavored to drive away from Diabekir, Kurdistan, a band of roving Armenians, but were forced back upon Diabekir. Heavy fighting lasted some time. The Kurds, enraged at their inability to repel the Armenians, turned upon the Christian quarter of the town and massacred 300 Christians. Many Turks and Kurds were killed in the battle. Reinforcements kept the Armenians at bay.

BOERS HOLD OUT

Spura Peace Terms Unless Cape Colony Rebels are Assured Amnesty.

A London, April 16 dispatch says: The cabinet was hurriedly summoned to meet at the foreign office this morning. Politicians generally believe a hitch has occurred in the peace negotiations concerning the scope of general amnesty. The boers are desirous of full protection for Cape Colony rebels and it is thought that the government is opposed to this.

Threatened Millions.

Thirty-one million dollars in silver bullion in the assay office at 20 Wall street, New York city, has been in danger of being melted by a fire which burned in one of the basements for two hours. None by the employes knew of the fire and they finally overcame it without assistance.

) Next door to the assay office is the sub-treasury, where the government usually has from \$100,000,000 to \$200. \$00,000 stored. In some way fire in the silver melting room was communicated to a barre! of lard mixture

Stabbed by Schoolmate.

At Long Pine, Neb., Guy Given, the oldest son of John Given, was stabbed in the back and spinal column by Charlie Castle, son of J. C. Castle, hardware merchant, on their return from school Tuesday evening. The Given boy is lying at his home in a critical condition. Castle's son has not been arrested yet. Both boys are under fifteen years of age.

A Freak of Nature,

A freak of nature that has attracted considerable attention was produced at the stock farm of W. E. Bryson northeast of Adams, Neb. It is a calf with two heads. It has two skulls, four eyes, and really has two ears, but the two inner ones seem to be joined It is alive and hearty.

Extends the City's Limits.

The special election held at Oskaloosa, Ia., Monday resulted almost unanimously in favor of "Greater Oskaloosa." extending the limits of the city by acquiring nearly one thousand acres beyond the bounds of the old city. This will add 2,500 people to the population of Oskaloosa, making a total of 12,000.

Zenas W. Bliss Dead.

Zenas W. Bliss, one of the founders of the prohibition free park movement of Chicago and New York, died in El Paso, Tex., of asthma, having just arrived from the east for his health. Deceased was a compiler of Webster's unabridged dictionary and spent many years in the work.

Three are Burned.

Mrs. Wallace E. King and her two children were burned to death at their home in Wallin, a village fifteen miles from Frankfort, Ky. The fire, which started from some unknown cause, destroyed one store and two houses. The financial loss is \$8,000.

Mrs. C. W. Hodges of Havelock, while emptying a pan of ashes, set fire to her dress from coals among the ashes and was severely burned. She ran half a block to the home of Mr. Broadwater, her clothing burning fiercely all the way. As she ran upon the porch people from the house ran out and commenced to smother the blaze.

George Awisus, a German farmer lving near Winside, tried to commit suicide by jumping into a well. His mind has not been right since his wife suddenly expired four years ago.

581.51. Fines and revenues netted \$4 039.55, so that the costs above reim bursements were \$541.96. The chief source of revenue was hunting an fishing licenses which brought \$2,69 into the treasury. The next larges item was the non-residence huntir and fishing licenses, which netted \$400

IN FEDERAL COURT

Removal Secured in Suit Against Secur itles Company.

Judge Otis, in the Ramsey county Minnesota, district court, at St. Paul signed an order removing the actio brought by the state of Minnesot against the so-called railroad merge to the United States circuit court. Th removal of the case was asked for b the securities company, one of the de fendants, in a motion based on allega tions that the suit involved a construct tion of the federal statutes and of the United States.

Welcome for Miss Stone.

Miss Ellen M. Stone, the missionary was publicly welcomed home at Bosto at a meeting in the Park Street church arranged by the woman's board of fo eign missions. An additional greetin was tendered by the American boar through its representative, Rev. J. Barton, while Dr. Samuel B. Cap added a few words on behalf of t Congregationalist body. Letters we read from Governor Crane, Secreta of State Hay and others.

Injured in a Runaway.

Thomas Schlegel and wife, an couple residing on a farm ten mil south of Plattsmouth, were returning home when their team became fright ened and ran away. Both were throw from the buggy. Mrs. Schlegel st tained a fracture of the collar box and her husband sustained intern injuries which, it is feared, may ha serious results.

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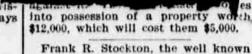
William Scott, arrested at Manhr tan, Kan., on the charge of grad larceny committed at Savannah, M is said to fit the description of . murderer of the city marshal at Fr City, Neb., who was killed two y ago, and for whom a large reward offered.

Strict Bird Law in Ohio.

The Brannock bill, making it unli ful to trap or shoot any living h or fowl in Ohio was passed by Ohio state senate and is now a The penalty for violation of the is a fine not to exceed \$100, or imprisonment for not more than thirty days or both.

Shippers Allowed to Choose.

The interstate commerce commission has decided, in a case brought before, that it is unlawful for railroads to deny to shippers the choice of established routes and rates.



novelist, died suddenly at Washington, D. C., from hemorrhage of the brain. The cause of Mr. Stockton's death was paralysis immediately resulting from a hemorrhage of the brain.

ion citing precedents for the court's action. The merits of the controversy were not entered into.

FOUND HIS MONEY

Fred Giles of Denton Digs Over Big Field After It.

Fred Giles, of Denton, Neb., was unwilling to leave his pocketbook, containing \$600 in bills, in his house while he went out to plow up a field last week, and he put the book in his hip pocket. When he looked for it after a day's work he could not find it. He came to the conclusion that it had dropped from his pocket, and had been plowed under. He and some neighbors spent three days digging over the field with forks and spakes in the search before the money was located.

FOREIGN FLASHES.

Former director of posts at Havana, Estes G. Rathbone, has been released on bail.

King Edward held his third levee Monday at St. James Palace. Ambassador Choate and other members of the American embassy were present. Bubonic plague has appeared among the smaller kangaroos in the zoological gardens at Sydney, New South Wales, and the gardens have been closed to the public.

The Austrian minister of instruction, Dr. von Hartel, has conferred the great gold staats medal upon Walter MacEwan, the American artist, for his painting, "The Ghost Story."

As General Mercier, formerly French minister of war, was leaving a political meeting at La Ferte-Bernard, in the department of Santhe, at which he had presided, he was stoned and sustained a wound in the head.

The Cobden club, of London, has filed a protest against the imposition of corn duties. The manifesto sets forth that such imposition would inaugurate a policy of protection and undo the great work of Peel and Gladstone.

Cuba's president-elect, Senor Estrada Palma, has made several appointments. General Fernando Figuereo will be director of the Cuban postal and telegraph services; Juan Rios Rivera, chief of customs; Carlos Zaldo, secretary of state, and Senor Yero, secretary of instruction.

Confesses to Being Deserter.

A stranger hung around the court house at Tecumseh, Neb., for several hours Monday last and finally went into the office of Sheriff W. H. Cummings and announced that he was a deserter from the United States army and that he desired to surrender himself to the law. He gave his name as Fred Bebrle and said he deserted company F. Twenty-eighth infantry, at Fort Wright, Washington. The officers at Fort Crook, Omaha, were notified and the man is held in jail awaiting the action of these officers.

THE NEWS CONDENSED

Late Telegraphic Dispatches Reduced to a Readable Size.

Omaha secured the national editorial convention to be held in 1903.

The three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melrose, Lincoln, Neb., fell into a thirty-foot well, but was rescued uninjured.

At Chicago Louis Toombs was found guilty of the murder of Annie Larson and sentenced to hang. The crime was committed on board the steamer Peerless.

The painters and paperhangers of Des Moines, Ia., have returned to work after a week of idleness. They won their strike for an advance to 35 cents per hour.

An attempt of the tobacco combine to secure control of the retail cigar trade in Chicago may lead to a war of extermination, in which the finest Havana cigars will sell for the price of a cheroot.

Dal Cott Chambers, son of the missionary, Rev. Mr. Chambers, who is stationed at Adana, Asia Minor, fell to the bottom of a gorge in the Encel pass, near Eviannas, Switzerland, and was killed.

In a quarrel over a baseball that was said to have been thrown into his yard by neighbor's children, Abe Slupsky, a St. Louis politician shot and fatally wounded Charles Pinckard, a saloon keeper.

A telegram received at the navy department from Captain McCrea of the gunboat Machias, states that Bocas del Toro fell into the hands of the liberals, and that no injury to American citizens or interests occurred.

Prof. Nicholas Murray Butler was installed as president of Columbia university, New York city, Saturday. The ceremonies were attended by the president of the United States, and the heads of the principal institutions of learning in the country.

Republican leaders figure that the result of the amendment to the Cuban reciprocity bill, adopted by the house on Friday of last week will mean, if it should pass the senate and president, a reduction of .508 on refined sugar coming from Germany and other countries giving bounties.

C. F. O'Brien, an aged farmer of Macon, Mo., has been arrested charged with having intentionally poisoned herds of live stock owned by farmers against whom he held a grievance. It is alleged he poured paris green into wells, tanks and ponds.

A New York dispatch says that J. Pierpont Morgan, who is now abroad, has practically completed a plan to combine all the leading transatlantic steamship lines. The companies to be consolidated, it is understood, are the American and Red Star lines, White Star line, Dominion line, Atlantic Transport line, and the Leyland line,

into possession of a property worth, \$12,000, which will cost them \$5,000.