

News in Brief

Former Secretary of the Treasury Lyman J. Gage, is ill at his home in New York City.

A treaty of peace between the government of Paraguay and the revolutionists was signed.

Howard Gale, the former law partner of General Benjamin Harrison, is dead in Indianapolis.

It is reported that the Department of Commerce and Labor will smoke out the tobacco trust.

The house sustains the civil service provision of legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, and passes a measure with but few changes.

A dispatch from St. Petersburg to a news agency reports that in a recruiting riot at Batoum on Saturday several persons were killed or wounded.

has given \$125,000 to Edinburgh university to extend its usefulness and assist the Carnegie trust in carrying out its work.

The president has announced definitely that no effort is to be made to secure an extra session of congress in interests of tariff reform.

Miss Achsah M. Ely, professor of mathematics at Vassar college, died very suddenly at the college, death being caused by apoplexy.

The Japanese cruiser Salyen was blown up by a Russian mine while engaged in bombarding Port Arthur defenses, and goes to the bottom.

Emperor William is sending his life-sized portrait to King Menelik by Dr. Rosen, head of the recently appointed German mission to Abyssinia.

John Uhnweller, who has just died in Dallas, Texas, was a native of France and marched under the first Napoleon as a drummer boy at Waterloo.

Charles Henry Wiberly, an actor known on the stage as Charles Weston, died at Denver of septic peritonitis, aged 30 years. His home was in New York.

A young woman who sued a New York street railway company for \$5,000 damages because she fell while attempting to get on a car, lost her case in court.

The American Asiatic association gave its annual dinner at Delmonico's in New York with Prince Fushimi of the imperial house of Japan as the principal guest.

Stojan, alias Tshalyia, who stole the famous picture of "Our Lady of Kazan," from the convent at Kazan, Russia, has been sentenced to twelve years of penal servitude.

With \$1,800 cash in their pockets, two men, believed by the authorities to be the men who robbed the Peoria National bank, Saturday noon, are under arrest at Toulon, Ill.

An interesting presentation will be made to the president by some scientific men of Prussia. It is a map made in 1704, and it is the first one known upon which the name "America" was used.

Governor Ahumada, of Jalisco, Mexico, has tendered his hand to the El Paso Elks to accompany them to Brooklyn next summer when they will begin a campaign for the capture of the 1907 meeting of the grand lodge.

A dispatch from Constantinople says the Russian and Austrian ambassadors have presented a note to the porte recounting recent Macedonian outrages and adjuring Turkey to maintain order with a firm and impartial hand.

No hope is held out in Washington administration circles of a revival of the French-American reciprocity treaty, efforts to encourage which are being made by American chamber of commerce of Paris.

President Francis of the Louisiana Purchase exposition will make a thanksgiving tour of the world, calling on the various crowned heads to express to them Uncle Sam's appreciation of their exhibits.

The board of directors of the Louisiana Purchase exposition approved the contract with a Chicago wrecking company for the removal of the exposition buildings. The exposition company is to receive \$450,000.

The University of Chicago is the recipient of another gift from John D. Rockefeller, according to a member of the advisory committee of the Baptist Theological union. Between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000 is said to be the amount of the endowment.

A. C. Tomner of Ohio has resigned assistant commissioner of Indian affairs, and will be succeeded by Charles F. Larrabee, now chief of the land division of the Indian bureau. The change is made at the instance of Francis E. Leupp, who will become commissioner of Indian affairs shortly.

A gambling house was robbed of \$1,000 at Tonopah, Nev., while a large crowd was present, by an unknown man who crawled under the building and with a large augur bored a hole through the floor. The money from a roulette wheel was in a box under the look-out chair. The man reached his hand through and took the money.

The four seats on the New York Cotton exchange held by Daniel J. Sully & Co., were auctioned off on the floor of the exchange for \$40,100. The three seats held in the name of Daniel J. Sully were sold for \$10,000 each.

Oath According to the Koran.

All Ahmet, an Arab, was a witness to the New York court of special sessions recently. He refused to take the Christian oath, saying he would swear as becomes a member of his race and faith. He was allowed to do so, and this was the oath he took: "I swear by the beard of the prophet, by the kasba, by the black stone and by my harem to tell the truth, all the truth, and only the truth."

Boat Made From a Pearl.

A jeweler in Turin has made a tiny boat of a single pearl. The hull is finely shaped and might serve as a model for a racing sloop, the sail is of beaten gold, studded with diamonds and the binnacle light is a perfect ruby. An emerald serves as its rudder, and its stand is a slab of ivory its weight is less than one ounce, and it is said to have cost \$5,000.

Singing Insects of Japan.

Among the natural curiosities of Japan are its singing insects. The most prized of these tiny musicians is a black beetle named "susumushi," which means "insect bell." The sound that it emits resembles that of a little silver bell of the sweetest and most delicate tone.

Reads Like a Miracle.

Moravia, N. Y., Dec. 12th.—(Special)—Bordering on the miraculous is the case of Mrs. Benj. Wilson of this place. Suffering from Sugar Diabetes, she wasted away till from weighing 200 lbs. she barely tipped the scales at 130 lbs. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Speaking of her cure her husband says:—

"My wife suffered everything from Sugar Diabetes. She was sick four years and doctored with two doctors, but received no benefit. She had so much pain all over her that she could not rest day or night. The doctor said that she could not live.

"Then an advertisement led me to try Dodd's Kidney Pills and they helped her right from the first. Five boxes of them cured her. Dodd's Kidney Pills were a God-Sent remedy to us and we recommend them to all suffering from Kidney Disease."

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure all Kidney Diseases including Bright's Disease, and all kidney aches, including Rheumatism.

Too Much Warmth.

"Well, sah, w'en de preacher told Br'er Williams dar waz a warm welcome waitin' fer him on de other side, you could 'a' hearn him hollerin' fer ice clean 'crost de settlement!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, price 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A woman's arms have to be awful thin for her to think them aren't shapely in spite of it.

You do not have to throw grit in your neighbor's eye to prove that you are a man of sand.

Ask Your Druggist for Allen's Foot-Ease.

"I tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE recently, and have just bought another supply. It cured my corns, and the hot, burning and itching sensation in my feet which was almost unbearable, and I would not be without it now.—Mrs. W. J. Walker, Camden, N. J." Sold by all Druggists, 25c.

The man who has no interest in heaven is not likely to have much principle on earth.

A GUARANTEED CURE FOR PILES.

Itching, Itching, Bleeding or Protruding Piles. Your Druggist will refund money if PAGO OLEUM fails to cure you in 6 to 14 days. 50c.

Charity leaves enough sins uncovered to prevent gossips from acquiring lockjaw.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infallible medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. SAMUEL, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

There isn't nearly as much enjoyment in being a drinking man if no body in your family objects.

FREE

THE GREAT BROWN AND LIVER PILLS PREPARED BY DR. DAVID KENNEDY, 254 N. 3rd St., PHOENIX, ARIZONA. Write to Dr. Kennedy's Sons, BOSTON, N. E.

The only time a liar fools others is when he tells the truth.

To Make Eyes Darker.

Going to bed early will make the eyes deeper in hue. The woman who wants her light brown eyes to appear black will go to bed an hour sooner. She will sleep facing a dark curtain and will waken gradually in the morning.

Effect of Color on Plants.

Put a growing plant under red glass and it shoots up very tall and spindly. Green glass causes a similar effect but not quite so strongly marked. Blue glass, on the other hand, seems to dwarf vegetable growth.

Big Check for Bishop.

Bishop Edward G. Andrews lately received a check for \$5,000 presented by members of the Methodist Episcopal church at a meeting of the Methodist Social Union in New York city.

Possible Explanation.

"Why are some ministers called doctors?" asked the inquisitive person. "Because," answered the wise guy, "they cure a lot of people of insomnia."

Bishop Goes to China.

Bishop J. W. Bashford, one of the recently elected bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, has gone to Shanghai, China, to enter the field of foreign work.

SHIP IS SINKING

JAPANESE AMEND DISPATCH OF DESTRUCTION OF SEVASTOPOL DAMAGED BY TORPEDO BOATS

Assault Made by the Flotilla in Face of a Driving Snowstorm.—Command of the Third Russian Army Meets with a Hearty Reception.

TOKIO—The turret ship Sevastopol is still afloat, but is apparently damaged.

The partially successful torpedo attack on the Sevastopol was made in the face of almost insurmountable obstacles, and writes another inspiring story of the splendid bravery of a number of officers.

The entire crew of the torpedo boat destroyers and torpedo boats volunteered for the attack, courting death in their efforts to destroy the only floating Russian battleship at Port Arthur.

Facing a driving snow storm and heavy seas, the flotillas separated and, under individual commanders, the vessels attacked independently. The decks of the destroyers and torpedo boats were coated with ice and the men suffered acutely from cold.

The Russians resorted to the most extreme precautions to protect the Sevastopol. They dropped torpedo nets, which shielded the bows of the warship, and the Sevastopol was further protected by a specially constructed wooden boom, the frame work of which was composed of ironbound logs and cables and heavy chains interlaced and entangled.

From the surface of this boom hung a deep curtain made of torpedo nets taken from the sunken battleships, the purpose of which was to catch and destroy the torpedoes and their mechanism.

The Japanese probably refrained from attempting to cut or jump the boom, a plan demonstrated by the British, but the torpedo boats and destroyers evidently forced the openings, which the Russians had left so as to allow communication with the harbor.

The commander of the Third Japanese squadron, reporting at 10:30 o'clock yesterday morning, says:

Commencing at 11:30 o'clock Tuesday night and continuing until 3 o'clock Wednesday morning, six torpedo boats and specially fitted torpedo craft constantly attempted attacks against the Russian battleship Sevastopol, the coast defense vessel Otavshini and the military transports.

Details of the attacks are not yet known. However, according to reports received from the watch tower at 9 o'clock this morning, the Sevastopol had commenced lowering astern and the water was said to reach the torpedo tubes astern.

BAKER TO HAVE A HEARING.

Makes a Good Impression During His Interview with President.

WASHINGTON—From a larger knowledge of the interview which occurred between President Roosevelt and Judge B. S. Baker of New Mexico, Senator Millard and Representative Hineshaw, it seems fair to predict that Judge Baker will be given a hearing on the charges preferred against him and an opportunity to rebut the evidence which led to his removal as United States judge of the Second district of New Mexico.

It was learned that Judge Baker's statement that he had never had an opportunity to be heard on the charges preferred against him, except as to plead not guilty to the specifications, greatly surprised the president. He had assumed the recommendation of the attorney general for the removal of Judge Baker was sustained by the evidence in the case.

When he was told, however, that a promise was made to Judge Baker by the special examiner sent to investigate the charges that he would be given ample opportunity to rebut the evidence taken and that no such opportunity had been accorded, President Roosevelt remarked that every man had a right to his day in court.

EXPECT BIG STOCK EXHIBIT.

Fine Live Stock Promises to Fill Lewis and Clark Grounds.

PORTLAND, Ore.—The portion of the Lewis and Clark fair grounds which was allotted to the exhibition of live stock, it is thought, will prove inadequate to the demand, and arrangements are being made to enlarge it. Anything further than an exhibition of the high bred stock from farms on the North Pacific coast was not contemplated by the state commission in the first place. Since the convention of the International Live Stock association at Chicago, however, it has developed that the breeders from all over the country are planning to send the best of their herds to Portland next year. This prompted the exposition authorities to increase the appropriation for premiums from \$40,000 to \$55,000, and to consider the advisability of increasing the space to be devoted to the display.

President Invited South.

WASHINGTON—Congressman Lester of Georgia, representing the Savannah board of trade, extended to the president an invitation to visit Savannah on his southern trip next spring. The president said that he did not expect to visit Georgia next spring and would make at that time no general tour of the South. He said he expected to go directly to San Antonio, Tex., by way of Louisville, but at some later time in his administration he hoped to visit Georgia and other southern cities.

DECREASE IN SEEDED AREA.

Acceage of Winter Wheat Not Quite Up to 1903.

WASHINGTON—The crop report issued by the department of agriculture says:

Returns to the chief of the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture indicate that the newly seeded area of winter wheat is about 31,155,000 acres, a decrease of 1.6 per cent from the area sown in the fall of 1903, as finally estimated. The condition of winter wheat on December 1 was 82.9, as compared with 85.6 in 1903, 99.7 in 1902 and a ten year average of 92.1. The acreage as compared with last year is 95.4 per cent.

The newly seeded area of winter rye is provisionally estimated at 96.7 per cent of the area sown in the fall of 1903. The condition of winter rye on December 1 was 90.5, as compared with 92.7 on December 1, 1903, 98.1 at the corresponding date in 1902, and 95.2 the mean of the December averages of the last ten years.

The percentage of acreage sown to winter rye this fall as compared with that sown last year is 96.7, the average condition December 1, 1904, was 90.5.

Corresponding averages for 1903 and 1902 were 92.7 and 98.1 respectively, and the mean of the December averages of the last ten years 95.2.

The final estimate of the total acreage production, and farm values of the principal crops for 1904 will be issued on December 28 at 4 o'clock p. m.

ROOSEVELT GUARD OF HONOR

Rough Riders to Have Important Place in Inauguration.

WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt's guard of honor in the inaugural parade on the fourth of next March will be a squadron of picked men from his old regiment of rough riders—the first United States volunteer cavalry. Colonel A. O. Brodie, governor of Arizona, and Major W. H. Llewellyn, formerly of the rough riders, took luncheon with the president, and arrangements for the guard of honor were made at that time. It is the wish of the president that Colonel Brodie select from the members of the regiment a squadron of from thirty to fifty men to act as his special escort on inauguration day.

The president desired Colonel Brodie to inform the members of the rough riders that he would attend the annual reunion of the regiment at San Antonio the latter part of next March, and after the reunion, the president probably will take a hunting trip with Major Llewellyn.

MAY SAVE \$1,000,000 A YEAR.

Landis Thinks Printing Bill Can Be Cut Down.

WASHINGTON—President Roosevelt's recommendation to congress in his message that extravagance in public printing be eliminated so far as possible was the subject of a conference between the president and Representative Charles B. Landis of the house committee on printing.

Mr. Landis told the president he was convinced that an immense amount of wholly unnecessary printing was done by the government and his committee would undertake to reduce this amount to a minimum. Mr. Landis said he believed it would be possible, without impairing the efficiency of the government service, to reduce the cost of government printing by at least \$1,000,000 annually, and perhaps more.

COUNT MADE OF STRAW MEN.

Second Batch of Contempt Cases at Denver.

DENVER.—The state supreme court took up the contempt charges against Thomas Culp and M. L. Devanny, judge in precinct ten, ward seven, at the late election. Attorney Thomas Ward announced that the prosecution would prove that only 238 persons entered the booths to vote, while the returns showed that 417 ballots had been counted.

After hearing testimony of the watchers and others in support of the charges the court ordered that the ballot box shall be opened tomorrow and its contents submitted for examination to two experts in penmanship.

A warrant has been issued for James Riley, the third judge in this precinct, but he has not been found.

NEED OF \$60,000 ADDITIONAL

For New York Building at Lewis and Clark Exposition.

PORTLAND, Ore.—A telegram has been received by the Lewis and Clark corporation from F. R. Green, chairman of the New York state commission for the Lewis and Clark centennial, stating that the members of the commission have concluded that at least \$60,000 will be needed by New York for the Portland fair and that this amount will be secured at the coming session of the legislature.

Thanks President for Interest.

WASHINGTON—General Fitzhugh Lee, president of the Jamestown Exposition company, had a talk with President Roosevelt about the exposition. He thanked the president for his interest, as expressed in his message. He referred to the announcement that the sub-committee on industrial arts and exhibitions had decided not to recommend an appropriation for the Jamestown exposition, but would recommend that provision be made for a naval display there.

LAST SHIP SUNK

JAPANESE BLOW UP BATTLESHIP SEVASTOPOL WITH TORPEDO. EVERY VESSEL IS DESTROYED

Utter Destruction of the Russian Fleet Accomplished—Japanese Guns Now Command the City of Port Arthur, and the Entire Bay.

TOKIO—It is reported that the Japanese have successfully torpedoed the Russian battleship Sevastopol.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE THIRD JAPANESE ARMY, VIA FUSON—

The Russian battleship Sevastopol, the only Russian warship that escaped destruction, being docked when the other vessels were sunk after the Japanese captured 203-Meter hill, escaped from the dock and harbor last night and is now anchored under a protecting mountain. Some torpedo craft are also outside of the harbor.

The tremendous price in life paid by the Japanese for the capture of 203-Meter hill has been redeemed by the utter destruction of the Russian fleet. The Japanese fleet will now go into dock.

Every part of the city and harbor of Port Arthur is visible from 203-Meter hill. The streets of the city are deserted and but few soldiers are doing patrol duty. Many buildings have been burned and others shattered. The shelters of the harbor present a strange appearance with the turrets, masts and funnels of warships showing just above the water. There is not a vessel afloat in the harbor. The docks and buildings on the water front are torn and burned.

The Japanese shells search every part of the city and harbor.

The effect of dynamite as an offensive weapon in the form of hand grenades is instanced in an appalling manner by the condition of the dead bodies, which are torn and unrecognized masses of flesh and bones. Fragments of hundreds of killed unearthened from the filled-in Russian trenches presented a scene of awful horror. The heavy timbers and steel plates of the bombproofs were torn to splinters by shells and dynamite.

The work of removing the dead from the slopes and crest of 203-Meter hill has been completed on the north side. The south slopes are still covered with bodies buried under the debris of trenches and bombproofs. The long lines of Japanese dead laid out on top of the hill and the slopes previous to interment presented an awful appearance. Most of the bodies were partially naked and horribly torn by dynamite bombs.

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Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 3/4-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

HEALTH OF TROOPS EXCELLENT

Encouraging Report From General in Philippines.

WASHINGTON—Brigadier General Randall commanding the department of Luzon, Philippine islands, in his annual report to the war department says that the general health of the troops is excellent, the disappearance of cholera having removed one of the greatest sources of anxiety. The improved health conditions are said to be due to the construction of new posts, the absence of hard field service, the drinking of distilled water and enforced abstinence from native fruits and uncooked vegetables. It is recommended that continuous service in the Philippines be limited to two years in order to avert nervous breakdown which is said to be quite common among the white troops in the islands.

FORTS ENORMOUSLY STRONG

Japanese Have Much Hard Work to Do Yet.

Headquarters of the Third Japanese Army, via Fuson—The Japanese are working their advance on the shores of Pigeon bay on comparatively level ground against the Talyankow, Idzchan and Antzeshan forts. The approaches to the fortifications are easy, but the forts are enormously strong and the near approach will be all the more difficult, as the sapping of trenches will have to be done through frozen ground.

The naval guns mounted on 203-Meter and 3-Meter hill will be able to cover the advance of infantry against any of the western forts.

Russian Liberals Win Point.

ST. PETERSBURG—There is no longer any doubt that the government intends to commit itself to reforms as the result of the liberal agitation begun when Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky made his advent as minister of interior. The Zemstvoist demand for a direct representative body to make the laws of the nation will not be granted, but some medium in the form of a representative consultative body which can voice the wishes of the people direct to the sovereign now seems the probable outcome.

In Interest of Settlers.

WASHINGTON—In order that actual settlers should have the public lands Representative Reeder of Kansas urged the president to use his influence to secure a change in the public land laws. He told the president the laws ought to be changed at once in the interest of the government and of genuine settlers, so as to prevent the lands from being taken up by people who merely desired to dispose of them at the earliest possible moment. No decision regarding the matter was reached.

COMPLETELY RESTORED.

Mrs. P. Brunzel, wife of P. Brunzel, stock dealer, residence 3111 Grand avenue, Everett, Wash., says: "For fifteen years I suffered with terrible pain in my back. I did not know what it was to enjoy a night's rest and arose in the morning feeling tired and unrefreshed. My suffering sometimes was simply indescribable. When I finished the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills I felt like a different woman. I continued until I had taken five boxes. Doan's Kidney Pills act very effectively, very promptly, relieve the aching pains and all other annoying difficulties."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists. Price 50 cents per box.

A platonic friendship can be so regarded by but two people.

FLOCKING INTO CANADA.

Immigration From Dakota and Adjoining States—Major Edwards, United States Consul General at Montreal, Describes the Movement as Due to Scarcity of Land.

Montreal, Nov. 15.—Major Allison Edwards, United States Consul General, who returned to-day from a visit to his home at Fargo, North Dakota, said in an interview: "The proper way to describe the manner in which the people of North Dakota are coming over into Western Canada is to say they are coming over in droves. Among the people there did not seem to be any thought of there being a boundary line at all. It is simply a question," added the major, "of there not being any more land in North Dakota and the surrounding States, and the people are flocking to Canada to get good farms. Naturally the number that will come over will increase all the time, and I may say the people you are getting are the best people in the west. They are well supplied with money and are well acquainted with the conditions under which they will have to work. The agents of the Canadian Government are prepared to give the fullest information regarding homestead and other lands."

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A great many of us can quote Shakespeare to no purpose.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz. in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

No amount of looking right can fix you for living wrong.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

What a girl loves about a football game is that, not knowing anything about it, she can pretend to enjoy it wildly.

Defiance Starch should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

People who believe in the absentee deity seem to believe also in an omnipresent devil.

Quarrels of women seldom last very long. They understand the art of making up.

Censure is the tax a man pays to the public for being eminent.—Jonathan Swift.

It is very easy to get mad with somebody for doing what it would be very unreasonable for anybody to get mad over if you did it.

If Satin's janitor were anything like the apartment house brand his tenants would soon be kicking for more heat.

It is a maxim with me that no man was ever written out of reputation but by himself.—Richard Bentley.

It's a poor kind of affection for a creed that prevents its correction.