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BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Miss C. Stewart, an American, has taken the doctor's degree at the University of Berlin.

Forty-five bodies of Galveston storm victims have been found and buried on the island beyond the city limits the past week.

The Canadian railway employes have complained to the government against the importation of United States labor while they are debarred from entering the United States.

E. Johnson and Robert Hatten quarreled at Daisy, Ga., and Hatten shot Johnson through the neck. Johnson fell, but raised himself long enough to shoot Hatten through the head. Both men are dead.

Charles S. Milward, aged 35, a leading merchant of Lexington, Ky., was found dead on his rear porch by a servant. He had been shot through the head, but whether by himself or another is not known.

The department of agriculture has advertised for bids for furnishing seeds to the department for the usual distribution. Bids will be opened in this city on December 12, about three months earlier than the opening last year.

After serving as postmaster and assistant postmaster continuously for thirty-eight years, John Pynn, of St. George, U., has resigned. He is 85 years old and only a few postmasters have outlived him in point of service.

The name of ex-President Grover Cleveland has been mentioned by New Jersey democratic assemblymen in connection with the honorary nomination of United States senator against Senator W. J. Sewall, who will be re-elected.

Mrs. Charles H. Blow, wife of a former Illinois state game warden, has sworn out warrants charging her husband with attempting to chloroform her and her three children and then turning on the gas so that suffocation would finish the work.

The first large shipment of potatoes that has gone forward from Washington state to China will be sent in a few days from North Yakima, and will consist of 500 tons, destined for Shanghai. In the past the greater amount of foodstuffs that has been called for from that section has been flour, but now the Chinese have acquired a taste for potatoes.

Mrs. McKinley has sent to New York a beautiful doll which will adorn the Ohio booth of the woman's bazaar for the benefit of the Woman's Suffrage Association early in December. While the president's wife is now a woman suffragist, she makes this donation at the request of Ohio friends. The doll was dressed by Mrs. McKinley who fastened each dainty garment.

Miss Mary E. Chapin, 87 years old, a veteran woman's seminary founder and teacher, is dead, at the home of her nephew, Dr. S. N. Chapin, in Chicago. Miss Chapin began to teach at the seminary in New Haven, and in 1860 helped found a woman's seminary at Milwaukee. She went to Lawrence, Kan., and there founded a seminary, which preceded the University of Lawrence.

The design for the monument of the late Vice President G. A. Hobart has been decided upon at Paterson, N. J. The successful competitor is Philip Martin. It shows Mr. Hobart standing with a gavel in his hand and leaning slightly forward, as if listening to a speaker. It will be of bronze and be about nine feet in height. It will stand upon a pedestal in front of the city hall in Paterson.

Consul Shumann, at Mainz, says in a report to the state department that if American shoe manufacturers studied closely the requirements of the trade in Egypt they ought to be able to conquer that market with ease. He says that they certainly could be able to offer a better and cheaper shoe than the Swiss manufacturers, who now practically control the shoe trade of Egypt, having driven French goods out of the market.

The health of King Oscar of Sweden continues to improve. Miss Eugenia Washington, great grand niece of George Washington, one of the founders of the Society of Daughters of the American Revolution and president of the Society of Founders and Patriots, died at Washington.

A dispatch to the China News from Hong Kong reports a typhoon at Taurain in October, lasting forty-eight hours, destroying the villages, rice fields and buildings and laying the harbor bare. It is estimated that 1,500 to 1,600 persons perished and the remaining population of 4,650 are without provisions.

The official figures on the presidential election of California give McKinley 164,755, Bryan 124,985, Woolley 54,024.

The wheat crop of the Darling Downs district in Australia is expected to beat all records. In some instances it will yield fifty-two bushels to the acre.

The Armstrong farm, near Granite, Oklahoma, which contains the remarkable spring from which natural gas continually escapes, has been leased by E. R. Suppe, of Parsons, Kan., who will at once put down several test wells for gas and oil. Other gas men are there and will thoroughly test the field.

The division of customs and insular affairs of the war department has issued a statement showing the total receipts from customs sources in Cuba for the ten months ending October 31 were \$13,215,500, against \$12,120,991 the same time in 1899, an increase of \$1,094,507.

The Illinois state board of health will make in its forthcoming biennial report some important recommendations. Among them will be that a state sanitarium for consumptives be established. The state board of charities will be joined in its recommendation for provision for the care of epileptics.

TO NEGOTIATE A PEACE

Nearly All Envoys at Peking Have Received Instructions.

THE WORK MAY BEGIN TUESDAY

Diplomats Will Immediately Commence Conference With China's Plenipotentiaries and Emperor Will Return to Peking to Execute the Treaties.

PEKIN, Dec. 10.—All the foreign envoys except Sir Ernest Mason Satow, the British minister, have received instructions from their governments agreeing to the joint note, proposed at the last meeting.

Another meeting will probably be called for Tuesday next. Should the British minister have received his instructions to sign the joint note by that time, communications will be immediately opened with Prince Ching and Li Hung Chang, who are in daily touch with the court by the Chinese telegraph.

Prince Ching says Emperor Kwang Su is ready to return as soon as assured that the negotiations will allow him to come under conditions consonant with his dignity and safety.

The removal of General Tung Hsiang from the command of the Chinese forces surrounding the court is considered by the foreign envoys to be a very important step, as indicating the real desire of the government to come to terms. Fu Hsiang's banishment indicates that the court recognizes the expediency of obeying the demands of the powers.

The International club was opened today, its object being to bring together in a spirit of special harmony the officers and diplomats of the various nations. There was a large company present and music was discoursed by military bands. It is expected that the club will continue a great success. The building was formerly an imperial temple.

The envoys are considering the question of legation buildings in the future. At present none of the governments own their buildings, all the houses being rented. The only ones not damaged considerably are the American, British and Russian.

It is proposed that all the legation buildings should be concentrated within a square mile.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The next important step in the Chinese situation will be the formal presentation to the Chinese plenipotentiaries of the agreement arrived at between the representatives of the powers at Peking for reparation for the Boxer outrages.

In just what manner this will be done, Mr. Conger has not informed the state department, although the probability is that the document will be handed to the Chinese by the dean of the diplomatic corps.

As has been stated already, the agreement is simply a statement of the terms upon which the powers will negotiate with China for a final settlement, and is laid before the Chinese officials as a matter of form. The negotiations for final settlement will come later, after the Chinese have been given a reasonable opportunity for the consideration of the conditions laid down by the powers.

The complete agreement deciphered from the code is now in the hands of the president. Officials decline to make its text public in advance of the receipt of information that it has been formally accepted by the powers, although the advices which have heretofore come from Mr. Conger leaves no doubt that this will be the case. The essential features of the agreement already have been outlined in the press dispatches.

Uncle Sam's Boat Building.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The vessels built in the United States and officially numbered from June 30, 1900, to November 30, 1900, were 495, of 149,963 gross tons. The principal items of the total are seven steel steamships on the great lakes (34,933 gross tons) and four smaller steel steamships (8,456 tons, which could pass through this new Welland canal) and one steel schooner barge (2,790 tons).

Mrs. Mary McLean Dead.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Mary L. McLean, the mother of John R. McLean of the Cincinnati Enquirer, died here at her residence at 1:30 o'clock this morning of acute heart affection. She had been ill since Friday.

At the bedside of Mrs. McLean when the end came were her daughters, Mrs. Dewey and Mrs. Ludlow, wife of Rear Admiral Ludlow; her son, John R. McLean and Admiral Dewey.

Chief Rebel Caught.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 10.—Pao Ho Nien, tao tai of Chu Fu, in the province of Che Kian, who was responsible for the July massacre and who absconded, has been captured near Su Chau and sent to Hang Chau Fu.

Mr. John Goodnooh, United States consul general in Shanghai is about starting for the United States on leave of absence.

Persian Minister Arrives.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—General Isaac Kahn, the new Persian minister to the United States, arrived here today from New York. He probably will be presented to the president during the coming week.

An Oklahoma Affray.

MOUNTAIN VIEW, O. T., Dec. 10.—Five men were wounded in a fight between members of the Hughes gang and City Marshal Jesse Morris and Deputy Marshal Ayres in the Cattle Exchange saloon last night. Marshal Morris was shot through the intestines, Deputy Ayres in the knee, Jesse Williams was shot four times, Frank Hughes was shot through the chest over the heart. A Cherokee half-breed named Palsley was shot four times in the head. Morris, Hughes and Palsley will die.

THE SENATE AND HOUSE,

What They Propose Doing in the Near Coming Days.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The senate will continue to give its attention to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty and the ship subsidy bill during the present week, taking up first one and then the other as may suit the convenience of those who may wish to speak on the two measures. During the last session of congress the Nicaragua canal bill was made the special order of business for Monday next, but the establishment of the ship bill as the regular order will have the effect of displacing the canal bill, precedence being given under the senate rules to a regular order over a special order. It is understood that Senator Morgan, who has charge of the canal bill, will not press that measure until the treaty for the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty is disposed of. On this account the friends of the ship bill do not apprehend that he will make any opposition to the continuance of the consideration of that measure. He has indeed said that he would be content to allow his bill to follow close in the wake of the ship bill.

Three or four set speeches are promised in opposition to the subsidy bill, and it is expected that most, if not all, of those already in sight will be made during this week. Among those who probably will speak on the subject are Senators Clay, Vest and Berry, all of whom oppose the bill. Senator Vest is an especial advocate of free ships.

There are differences of opinion as to what effect the taking of a vote on the fortifications amendment to the treaty will have upon the time of disposing of that instrument, but a majority of the senators express the opinion that the vote upon the treaty will follow very soon after the vote upon the amendment.

The program in the house for the coming week contemplates the consideration and passage of the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and the bill for the reduction of the war revenue taxes. Wednesday will be a dies non, so far as legislation is concerned, as on that day the exercises in connection with the centennial celebration of the removal of the seat of government to Washington will be held in the house. The legislative appropriation bill is not expected to consume more than two days at most, probably only one, and the leaders expect that the remainder of the week will suffice to pass the war revenue reduction act. It is probable that special interests which do not receive the consideration in the bill which they think they are entitled to will attempt to amend it. This is especially true of the brewing interests, which hope to secure a further reduction of the tax on beer from \$1.50 a barrel, as fixed by the committee, to \$1.35 a barrel.

CAPTURED WITHOUT CONTEST.

Soldiers Meet With Little Resistance From Insurgents.

MANILA, Dec. 10.—While the captures of supplies and the occupation of new points are quite numerous, those involving actual fighting are comparatively few. Apparently the insurgents are falling back at all contested points, sacrificing their possessions in most case and satisfied to save themselves.

A detachment of the Forty-seventh United States volunteer infantry from the Island of Catanduanes, off the southeast coast of Luzon relinquished an attempt to land near Pandan. On anchoring, the American were fired upon by sixty riflemen and after a short engagement they cut the anchor chain and sailed for Catanduanes with two killed and two wounded. The names have not yet been received here. Captain Richard T. Ellis of the Thirty-third volunteer infantry, captured in the mountains near Barbara a large quantity of Krag, Mauser and Remington ammunition, together with a signal outfit, a printing press and other equipment. All of this was destroyed. Thirty rifles and several hundred cartridges were secured at Victoria.

Grout Bill Goes Through.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The house today passed the Grout oleomargarine bill by a vote of 196 to 92. The substitute offered by the minority of the committee on agriculture, which imposed additional restrictions on the sale of oleomargarine to prevent the fraudulent sale of butter and increased the penalties for violation, was defeated by a vote of 113 to 178. The bill as passed makes articles known as oleomargarine, butterine, imitation butter or imitation cheese transported into any state or territory for consumption or sale subject to the police power of such state or territory.

To Marry Duke of Westminster.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—It is authoritatively asserted that the duke of Westminster is engaged to Miss Shelagh West, daughter of Colonel Cornwallis West. By the marriage the duke will become the brother-in-law of Mrs. George Cornwallis West (Lady Randolph Churchill).

Lord Roberts' Reception.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Lord Roberts is expected to arrive in London January 5. He will be met by the prince and princess of Wales and will proceed immediately in triumphal progress to St. Paul's cathedral, where he will attend a special service of thanksgiving.

Goes Down With All on Board.

ERIE, Pa., Dec. 10.—In the midst of one of the most bitter gales that ever swept Lake Erie, the iron ore barge S. H. Foster, in town of the Iron Duke, went to the bottom at 4 o'clock this morning, ten miles off Erie, and eight persons were drowned, as follows: Captain John Bridge, Cleveland; first mate, name unknown; second mate, name unknown; Seaman Robert Wood; Seaman William Kelly of Port Austin, Mich.; Cook Mrs. May of Detroit; two unknown deck hands.

WRITES TO MR. CONGER

Cantonese Reformer, Former Adviser to Kwang Su, Wants Emperor Restored.

VICEROYS ARE NOT TO BE TRUSTED

Foreigners Hold That Empress Should Not Be Allowed to Interfere and That Reactionary Officials Should Be Very Closely Watched.

PEKIN, Dec. 8.—Mr. Conger, the United States minister, and other foreign envoys, received today a letter signed by Kang Yu Wei, the well known Cantonese reformer, who was formerly an adviser of Emperor Kwang Su and who has always been favorable to foreigners. Kang Yu Wei says that great calamities have befallen China through the empress dowager and also in consequence of her advisers, Prince Tuan, Prince Ching, Yung Lu, Yang Yi, Chao Shu, Chian, Muang Ru, Moyn Kuen and Hsiang. He says he is thankful that the foreigners held out in the legation buildings in Peking and that all of nations regret the murder of Baron von Kotteler. He then says he desires to make suggestions which will insure the just punishment of the real culprits, satisfaction to the different countries and a permanent settlement of the international relations of China. He urges:

First—That the empress and her advisers should not be allowed to violate the peace.

Second—That the emperor, who is a friend of foreigners, should be restored.

Third—That all reactionary officials should be arrested and that a careful watch should be kept over the so-called friendly viceroys in the south.

Unless Yung Lu, Prince Tuan and the others are severely dealt with, Kang Yu Wei contends that they will continue to say that the foreigners are powerless.

"The foreigners should not rely upon the viceroys," continues the Cantonese reformer. "They send men, money and armament to the empress and are her sary.

restored the empire would rejoice. The emperor's party consists of the most enlightened men, who are friendly to foreigners and desire to incorporate western civilization and culture in an ancient country."

Kang Yu Wei points out that he was appointed for the task by a secret edict of the emperor in 1898, when he made his appeal on behalf of the emperor to the foreign powers.

"An appeal, which had they listened to, would probably have prevented what has happened."

PUSHING REBELS IN LUZON.

Troops Keep the Little Brown Men on Keen Jump.

MANILA, Dec. 8.—More activity is shown in the operations in northern and southern Luzon. The reports from the former district come in more quickly and telegraphic instructions are fewer.

General Funston, with Troop A of the Fourth cavalry and a score of scouts, last Thursday encountered a hundred insurgents posted on the opposite bank of the Mexico river. The Americans charged across the stream and the enemy retreated, firing from cover. They left four dead on the field. A native who was captured reported that Fagin, a deserter from the Twenty-fourth infantry, who has been active with the Filipinos, with a party of two cavalrymen, had been wounded.

Lieutenant Morrow, with fifty men from the Forty-seventh regiment, attacked and occupied Bulacan. While returning these troops encountered Colonel Victor's, occupying an entrenched position, with thirty rifles and 300 bolomen. Lieutenant Morrow's force charged and drove the enemy from their position, it is believed, with heavy loss. Preceding the fight the expedition had captured Major Flores and several of his followers.

An engagement is reported to have occurred near San Roque, in which, according to natives, fifty rebels were killed.

Several minor encounters and captures are also reported. The American casualties have been very slight.

Ask Secretary Gage to Remain.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—President Homer of the Baltimore clearing house and thirty of the prominent business men representing the clearing house, the savings bank and the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association of Baltimore, called in a body today at the Treasury department and urged Secretary Gage to accept the invitation of the president to remain at the head of the Treasury department for another four years.

President's Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The president today sent the following nominations to the senate: John F. Weston, assistant commissary general of subsistence, with rank of brigadier general, Captain Frank B. McKenna, Forty-seventh infantry, U. S. V. (first lieutenant Fifteenth infantry, U. S. A.), to be inspector general of volunteers, with rank of major.

Marriages and Divorce Laws.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Representative Taylor, of Ohio, who was prominently identified with the movement to exclude Brigham Roberts of Utah from a seat in congress, today introduced a measure intended to bring about federal prohibition of polygamy. It proposes a constitutional amendment for uniform laws on marriage and divorce. Mr. Taylor says, however, that his aim goes considerably beyond a mere uniformity of such laws, and is expressly designed to reach polygamy, and put an end to it.

PROSPERITY IN OKLAHOMA.

Governor's Report Argues Condition Warrant Admission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The annual report of the governor of Oklahoma says that the year has been marked by general prosperity—agricultural grazing, manufacturing and commerce flourishing in an unprecedented manner. The total assessed valuation of property is \$49,338,661, an increase of \$6,247 over 1899. The report states that in addition to its excellent public school system, Oklahoma has five higher institutions of learning, which are not excelled by the similar institutions of any state in the union. There are still 5,733,385 acres of vacant government land in the territory, subject to homestead entry. While most of the land is unfit for farming there are still many sections upon which the homeseeker from the north or east can find a comfortable home and attain a competence in time.

As each justice of the supreme court of the territory sits as a trial judge with original jurisdiction of all cases of civil and criminal litigation arising in the district to which he is assigned the report recommends that a separate court of appeals be provided. In order to avert sentencing of youthful criminals to the penitentiary, the establishment of a reformatory institution within the territory is recommended. The report says that the prosperous condition prevailing in Oklahoma, its population, area and wealth, when compared with a like condition prevailing in a large number of states at the time of their admission in the union, amply justifies its claim to statehood. The report recommends that Fort Supply, which was abandoned several years ago, be presented to the territory for use as a public institution.

CONNECTING LAKE AND RIVER.

War Department Furnishes Estimate for Proposed Canal.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The War department today sent to congress reports on the number of important river and harbor projects, including that for connecting the Mississippi river with Lake Michigan by the means of the Illinois river and the Chicago sanitary canal, and also for extensive improvement of the Sault Ste. Marie canal. The total cost of the project for connecting Lake Michigan and the Mississippi river is placed at \$7,731,517 for a five-foot depth. The project involves the construction of twelve locks and two dams with movable weirs. The estimates are based on the assumption that all necessary franchises in connection with the construction will be ceded free of cost to the United States.

The estimate for improving the channel between Lakes Superior and Huron, through St. Mary's river, including Hay channel, is \$9,600,000. The distance is sixty-four miles, part of which is improved.

The estimates for deepening the Sturgeon Bay and Lake Michigan ship canal to twenty-one feet is \$218,000.

Abbie Sage Richardson Dead.

NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—A special cable dispatch to the Brooklyn Eagle from Rome says:

Mrs. Abby Sage Richardson, dramatist, poet, literary critic and translator, died in this city today. She was the widow of the late Albert Deane Richardson, newspaper man and author, long time correspondent of the New York Tribune in the civil war, and afterward an editor on that paper. Mrs. Richardson arrived here with her son, William Sage, the novelist, early in November and her death was wholly unexpected by her friends in Rome.

House Bills Introduced.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7.—The senate today transacted no business of importance in open session. Throughout almost the entire afternoon it was in executive session. The ship subsidy bill therefore received no consideration.

Mr. Hoar presented a resolution of the Massachusetts legislature in favor of the purchase by the United States government of Temple Farm Moor house, at Yorktown, Va.

General Fagan Is Retired.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Brigadier General Charles R. Eagan, commissary general of subsistence, who has been under suspension since February 9, 1899, by sentence of court-martial for alleged intemperate and aous language, concerning Lieutenant General Miles in connection with the army beef investigation, was restored to duty today, and he was afterwards placed on the record list of the army.

To Arrange Inaugural.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—John Joy Edson was today named as chairman of the committee having charge of the inaugural ceremonies. He was accepted. Senator Hanna, chairman of the republican national committee, previously tendered the office to Mr. Theodore W. Noyes, who was compelled to decline the honor, as his duties would not permit him to devote sufficient time to the position.

Hold Up an Iowa Stockman.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—Fred T. Gilmore of Baxter, Ia., was knocked senseless late last night near Michigan avenue and Harmon Court and robbed of \$11,229 in negotiable paper, \$23 in money and a watch. The robbers, William Cummings and George Hayes, after a desperate battle with detectives, were captured and all the booty save the watch and money was recovered.

Czar Getting Back to Health.

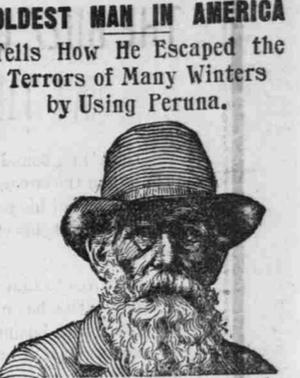
LIVADIA, European Russia, Dec. 7.—The following bulletin was issued this morning by the czar's physicians:

"The czar slept well all night long. His general condition and spirits are very good. His temperature and pulse are normal."

The czar now leaves his bed each day and spends an hour or two in an armchair. In sleep and appetite he is steadily improving, though he is still limited to a light diet. It is probable that the bulletins will be discontinued next Sunday.

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