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RUMOR MISS STONE IS FREE

Said to Have Been Liberated on Jan. 1.

BRIGANDS IMPOSE SILENCE.

News is Not Confirmed, but Washington Inclines to the Possibility That Captive Missionary and Her Companion Have Been Released.

London, Jan. 3.—The Sofia correspondent of the Daily Telegraph has cabled an unconfirmed rumor to the effect that Miss Stone and Mme. Tella were liberated in Turkey on Jan. 1, and that the Americans who conducted the negotiations resulting in this reported release agreed, in the presence of the captives, to maintain absolute silence concerning the captives. If this promise is broken, concludes the correspondent, vengeance will be wreaked upon the American mission.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The state department officials say they have no recent news bearing on the case of Miss Stone and therefore cannot confirm the dispatch from Sofia transmitting a report that she has been released. At the same time such a consummation of the efforts in her behalf would not be surprising, as the latest information received here shows that responsible parties are in communication with the brigands who hold her captive and the latter know these parties have all the money that can be raised with which to ransom the captives.

PALMA HAS LARGE MARGIN.

Cuba's President-Elect Gets 55 Electoral Votes to Maso's Eight.

Havana, Jan. 3.—The board of scrutiny has made public the following returns of the elections held in Cuba on Dec. 31. Tomas Estrada Palma, the nationalist candidate for the presidency of Cuba, has 55 electors, while General Bartolome Maso, the democratic candidate who withdrew from the campaign, has eight electors. The following civil governors were elected: Perez in Pinar del Rio, Nunez in Havana, Lecuona in Matanzas, Gomez in Santa Clara, Recio in Puerto Principe and Echevarria in Santiago province.

SAYS PROTOCOL IS ACCEPTED.

Report That It Meets Approval of Both Argentine and Chile.

London, Jan. 3.—The Valparaiso correspondent of the Times says that it can be announced upon good authority that the protocol signed between Argentina and Chile was conveyed to Buenos Ayres personally by Senator Portella, the Argentine minister to Chile, who left Chile Dec. 29, and that it will be accepted by Argentine. The correspondent adds that the calling out of the Chilean reserves has been postponed.

Collier's Insanity Not Due to Blow.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—Sliced into minute flakes and mounted on glass slides the late Frank Collier's brain is being subjected to the searching sight of a microscope under Dr. Thorstein of the University of Chicago. The first discovery of importance was made yesterday, when the doctor announced that he had found some peculiar degeneration of the brain cells of the once brilliant attorney. As a result of the discovery it is said that the blow that Frank Collier's insanity was due to a blow on the head may be altered substantially.

Big Dry Goods Store.

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 3.—The Brown store was robbed last night of approximately two wagon loads of goods. The manager estimated the loss at \$30,000. The loss consisted of clothing, dry goods, jewelry, bolts of cloth and other articles scattered along the road and in the distance, after which the store was followed.

Parliament to Aid.

London, Jan. 3.—It is understood that the government will be compelled to ask parliament for a grant towards the Queen's memorial. The hope that money for this purpose would be raised by public subscription has not been realized. Only £185,400 have been thus far subscribed and this sum will not nearly suffice.

Patrolman Charged With Murder.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 3.—The Vanderburg county grand jury late yesterday afternoon returned a verdict against former Patrolman Wilbur S. Sherwell, charging him with the murder of Fannie Butler, whose dead body was found in a stable in May last. The coroner said the woman was choked to death.

Naval Cortege Follows Body.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Impressive funeral services were held yesterday at St. John's Episcopal church over the late Rear Admiral Francis A. Roe, U. S. N., retired. The body was escorted to Arlington cemetery by a detachment of marines.

Think They Have Beardweel.

Papillon, Neb., Jan. 3.—Sheriff McAvoy last evening arrested a man supposed to be Joe Beardweel, the Assyrion charged with the murder of Joseph Saly in Omaha Nov. 30.

GHASTLY BOILER EX.

Three Men Killed and Several Seriously Injured.

Mason, Ga., Jan. 3.—A freight engine, just out of the repair shop and fired up in the round house of the Central Railroad of Georgia, exploded without warning yesterday, killing three men, injuring a number of others and shaking the entire city. The report was heard seven miles and houses three miles distant felt the shock. The news instantly spread that many were killed and in a few minutes there had gathered at the gates hundreds of people, including wives and children of shop employes, weeping and clamoring for information.

The dead: E. W. Hodges, machinist; J. M. McDonald, machinist; U. Cornelius, colored helper. J. J. O'Neill and Henry Fox are fatally injured. The negro Cornelius was in the cab assisting the inspector, John McDonald, who was on top of the engine. They were blown to atoms. The others were at some distance from the engine. The cause of the accident is not known. It is supposed, however, that the negro found the water of the boiler too low and had suddenly injected a stream of cold water on the red hot crown. The engine was reduced to fragments.

MUTINEERS ON TRIAL.

Convicts Arraigned on Charge of Murder in First Degree.

Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 3.—The most novel court which ever sat in Kansas convened in the library of the United States penitentiary yesterday for the arraignment of the ringleaders of the mutiny of Nov. 7 and who are implicated in the killing of Guard Waldrup. Every person in the court with one exception was either a United States official or a prisoner, wearing the stripes. United States Commissioner Bond was on the bench and Edward McKeever, United States assistant attorney, represented the government. The mutineers, 17 in number, were brought in, each wearing the ball and chain, and the following men were arraigned on the charge of murder in the first degree: Turner Barnes, Bob Clark, Frank Thompson, Gilbert Mullin and Fred Robinson. Four others, who have not yet been captured, are included in the charge. The warrants were served by a deputy marshal, and upon being arraigned each of the prisoners entered a plea of not guilty. The trial will be held in the prison library at 3 p. m. today.

MAKES A FATAL MISTAKE.

Beautiful Detroit Society Woman Accidentally Takes Arsenic and Dies.

Detroit, Jan. 3.—Miss Beulah Wheeler, a beautiful young society woman, died at her home on Second avenue from arsenical poisoning. Last evening she retired to her room to rest before starting for the theater. Soon afterward Miss Wheeler called to her mother for aid and said she had taken the wrong medicine. What the young woman had taken for antipyrin proved to be arsenic. Physicians were immediately summoned and they worked over Miss Wheeler all night. Despite their treatment she died just before daybreak. Miss Wheeler, who was 22 years of age, was born in Rome, N. Y.

Many Firemen Are Overcome.

New York, Jan. 3.—After a hard fight the blaze in Keith's theater was extinguished. The loss is estimated at \$30,000. Twenty-two firemen were overcome by smoke.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

W. Murray Crane took the oath of office Thursday as governor of Massachusetts for his third term.

Fire Thursday destroyed the dry goods store of E. L. Winter at Hartford, Ind. Loss, \$50,000; insurance, \$30,000.

Judge Eugene S. Elliott of the circuit court of Milwaukee county, Wisconsin, died suddenly Thursday from heart failure.

A report has been received at Sofia to the effect that Miss Ellen Stone, the captive missionary, has been released. The report lacks confirmation.

Dr. Royal B. Prescott, who died at Nashua, N. H., Thursday, always claimed that he was the first union soldier to enter Richmond after its surrender.

Joseph and Mamie Kelly, children, were drowned in a pond near Providence, R. I., Thursday while sliding. The boy perished in an effort to save his sister.

Superintendent of Masonry Stephens of the Illinois Central was ground to death Thursday near Watson, Ill., while attempting to take from the track a railroad velocipede.

General Tomas Estrada Palma, the newly elected president of Cuba, has received many dispatches and telegrams of felicitation from various parts of Cuba and this country.

The Montana supreme court Thursday granted a stay to the Anaconda company of the order which Judge Clancy had given F. A. Heinze permitting him to go into the Anaconda mines.

The Great Northern railway has begun an extensive campaign among the farmers of Indiana and Illinois with the object in view of securing them as settlers for northern Minnesota and North Dakota.

COMPANY IN STRAITS

Everett-Moore Syndicate Financially Embarrassed.

CONTROLLED \$130,000,000 CAPITAL

Concern Operates Electric Railways and Telephone Lines in Ohio and Michigan—Depositors Make Run on Dime Savings Bank.

Cleveland, Jan. 3.—The financial affairs of the Everett-Moore syndicate, owning or controlling a number of urban and interurban electric railways and an extensive system of local and long distance telephone lines in Ohio and Michigan, passed into the control of a committee composed of seven prominent bankers of this city yesterday. This action was taken, it is stated, as a result of temporary financial embarrassment on the part of the syndicate, which has for some time past been affected by the stringency in the money market.

The aggregate capitalization of all the various properties owned and controlled by the syndicate is said to be about \$130,000,000.

As a result of the announcement of the financial embarrassment of the Everett-Moore syndicate a run was started on the Dime Savings and Banking company, of which Messrs. Everett and Moore are directors, late yesterday. All demands were promptly met.

SALE OF OMAHA-KANSAS CITY.

Report That Road Passes Over to Burlington and Rock Island.

Kansas City, Jan. 3.—The Journal says: It was authoritatively stated yesterday, though official confirmation was lacking, that the Omaha, Kansas City and Eastern and the Kansas City and Northern Connecting lines had been sold to the Burlington and Rock Island railroads and would be operated by them jointly or in their joint interest. Instructions have been received here by officials of the "O. K." line to turn over to the Burlington at Osborn all freight for Omaha. Heretofore the "O. K." and Northern Connecting lines have been exchanging Omaha business with the Wabash at Pattonsburg, the line of the Wabash between that city and Omaha having until a few months ago been part of the Omaha, Kansas City and Eastern system.

HELD FOR BRUTAL ASSAULT.

Alleged Murderers of Oscar K. Miller Bound Over to District Court.

Shenandoah, Ia., Jan. 3.—Oscar K. Miller, coming from Meredosia, Ill.; who was assaulted and left out in the cold two weeks ago, died here yesterday. His head contained nine gashes and his feet were frozen severely. Both his feet were amputated Monday and for a time he rallied, but the shock was too severe. The funeral will be held here. Dennis, Mason and Irwin, who are under arrest, were given a preliminary hearing and bound over to the district court in \$500, which they were unable to furnish.

Disasters to Shipping.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 3.—The schooner Marion, ashore at Cape D'Or, went to pieces in last night's tide and the wreckage of the cargo and vessel is scattered along the Yarmouth shore. The schooner Bobs dragged ashore yesterday on Porter's island, Westport harbor, and is in a dangerous condition. The schooner Southern Cross dragged out of St. Johns harbor yesterday, losing an anchor and breaking another. She hoisted sail and ran before the gale. On reaching Yarmouth she was caught and lifted, and filled with water while trying to make a wharf.

Life Savers Kept Busy.

Chatham, Mass., Jan. 3.—The life-saving crews of three stations, the Chatham, the Old Harbor and the Monomoy, did good work yesterday in assisting crews of disabled vessels. The crew of the schooner Emma D. Endicott were kept constantly at the pumps, for the vessel was almost sinking. The Endicott was taken in tow for Portland by the tug Buccaner. The crew of the schooner Commerce, which was blown to sea Wednesday, were brought ashore by life savers. They had been rescued by the tug Lackawanna.

Honor Henry C. Payne.

Milwaukee, Jan. 3.—Postmaster-elect Henry C. Payne was given a reception at the Hotel Pfister last night. The reception was given at the instance of the Milwaukee Merchants' and Manufacturers' association and was intended as a tribute to the esteem in which Mr. Payne is held by the citizens.

Coast Strawn With Wreckage.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 3.—The lighthouse keeper at Caramanah reports that the coast is littered with wreckage in the vicinity of the lighthouse, but nothing has been found to fix the identity of the craft which evidently came to grief.

"Boss" Stout's Sudden Death.

Washington, Jan. 3.—W. H. B. Stout, formerly of Nebraska and at one time a conspicuous figure in business and politics in that state, died suddenly from heart disease at his home in Washington Jan. 1.

TROUBLE IN SIGHT FOR CASTRO.

Armed Ship With Prominent Venezuelans on Board Makes a Start.

Fort de France, Island of Martinique, Jan. 3.—The British steamer Danrigh, recently renamed the Liberator, has left this port for the Venezuelan coast. It carries among its passengers Senor Matos, who is now referred to as General Matos, and several generals and other important personages of Venezuela, who joined General Matos here. Besides the leaders of the expedition the Liberator has on board 300 volunteers and it is understood it will embark a number of other volunteers on its way to the coast of Venezuela.

The local newspapers have published articles expressing hopes for the prompt success of the expedition and the downfall of President Castro, whose attitude, the papers add, has earned for him the enmity of the whole world. Previous to his departure from Fort de France General Matos issued a manifesto calling on all his fellow countrymen to take up arms.

While the Liberator was at this port its sides were strengthened by light armor and its gun positions were protected. Its armament is of the modern type.

GOVERNOR HUNT'S MESSAGE.

Tranquillity and Contentment Prevail in Porto Rico.

San Juan, P. O., Jan. 3.—Governor Hunt's message to the legislature of Porto Rico was read yesterday by a committee of that body. The message congratulated the legislature on the fact that its work in 1901 had been vindicated as wise and progressive and conducive to the establishment of free trade between Porto Rico and the United States seven months before the existing tariff provided for the recession of such duties. In his message Governor Hunt said: "Tranquillity and contentment prevail in Porto Rico; schools have multiplied; railroads are being constructed; the commerce of the island has been developed and exports have increased; agriculture has become more profitable, roads are being built and debts are being paid. Tolerance of opinion has become more common, former antagonism being forgotten."

RUSSIA AT THE BOTTOM.

Discovery of Alleged Secret Documents Shows Collusion.

London, Jan. 3.—The Times this morning publishes three alleged secret documents, communicated by Dr. Ular, a prominent student of Chinese affairs, who recently returned to Europe from Manchuria and Mongolia, which go to prove the existence of a bargain negotiated between the late Li Hung Chang and Russia. Under the terms of this bargain the "Boxer" movement, which it is hinted was fomented by Russia, was to be turned against the foreigners, Russia engaging to protect the dowager empress against the western powers in return for permission to occupy Manchuria and a free hand in Mongolia.

Says Tuberculosis Is Not Contagious.

New York, Jan. 3.—Dr. S. A. Knopf, the well known authority on tuberculosis, in addressing the Academy of Medicine last night, said that, contrary to the opinion of the United States government, tuberculosis was not contagious. A man with well defined tuberculosis could do his work daily if the proper precautions were taken. The government, he said, had stamped all of those afflicted with the disease with a stigma which was not proper.

To Meet in Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Jan. 3.—Miss Estelle Reel, government superintendent of Indian education, has decided to have the annual convention of those interested in Indian education, including the teachers, held here next July in connection with the session of the National Education association.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

Senator and Mrs. Chauncey M. Depew left Nice Thursday for the United States.

Silas M. Moore, a pioneer insurance and real estate man of Chicago, is dead at Pasadena, Cal.

Stephen D. Fessenden of Mississippi has been appointed as the statistician of the department of agriculture.

Paul Blouet (Max O'Rell), the French author and lecturer, underwent a successful operation for appendicitis in New York city Thursday.

The breaking of a large flywheel at the Chesapeake and Ohio shops at Huntington, W. Va., wrecked the planing shops and seriously injured six men.

Territorial Secretary Grimes Thursday granted a charter to the Lawton and Wichita Mountain Railway company to build a railroad from Lawton to White Sulphur Springs.

According to bacteriologists of the American Society of Naturalists some kinds of germs have such an antipathy for water that they actually commit suicide to escape the fluid.

Fire at Memphis, Tenn., early Friday morning destroyed the building occupied by Merriwether & Co. and the Kramer Co., dealers in millinery and dry goods. Loss, \$175,000.

A crew of linemen of the Western Union Telegraph company arrived in Anacoda, Mont., Thursday, having walked all the way from St. Paul and strung a new wire from that city.

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