

COMMERCIAL CONGRESS

Transmississippi Convention Opens at Seattle.

MAY MERGE WITH WATER MEN.

Committee Report Recommending Union With National Irrigation Congress is Discussed at Length—Thurber Talks of Oriental Trade.

Seattle, Wash., Aug. 19.—The fourteenth annual session of the Transmississippi congress opened in Seattle under the most favored auspices, and the leaders say the meeting promises to be the largest and most productive of good since the organization of the congress. The opening session was occupied largely with the reading of papers and the discussion of the various subjects which they called forth. One of the most striking addresses of the day was that of F. B. Thurber, president of the United States Export association. He supported the protective idea of President McKinley and urged the necessity of wider markets. He declared that the great theater of commercial activity in the future is destined to be the Orient. He said that the organization of trusts is the inevitable result of development, and that their present evils will in time be righted by the same growth. United States Senator Reed Smoot of Utah was among the speakers.

The delegates were slow in assembling and it was nearly 10 o'clock when Donald G. Fletcher of the local committee on arrangements called the assembly to order. Mr. Fletcher stated that the president of the congress, John H. Kirby of Houston, Tex., had been called suddenly to New York on important business. He therefore introduced Walter Gresham, former president of the congress, as temporary president. Mr. Gresham spoke briefly, expressing confidence in the future usefulness of the organization. He then introduced Governor Henry McBride of Washington, who, in behalf of the state of Washington, delivered a brief address of welcome. Following Governor McBride Mayor Humes welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city of Seattle. Thomas Richardson of New Orleans then read the annual address of President Kirby. At the afternoon session two important addresses were made. W. R. Richardson, secretary of the National Good Roads association, spoke on "Good Roads," and Thomas Richardson took for his subject, "Immigration and Its Distribution." The report of the committee on the advisability of merging the Transmississippi congress with the National Irrigation congress was taken up and discussed at some length.

TURKS WORSTED IN BATTLE.

Three Battalions of Troops Make Attack on Insurgent Band, battle is reported to have occurred in the neighborhood of Monastir. Three Turkish battalions attacked 1,000 insurgents and after the fight had raged for six hours the Turks were repulsed with the loss of 210 men killed and wounded. The insurgent loss is not given.

Reports received here from Constantinople and believed to be authentic confirm the previous statement to the effect that when the Turkish troops recaptured Krushevo they slaughtered the entire Christian population without exception, and it is pointed out that among those killed were the employes of the government tobacco establishments, which were under European control, as the proceeds from these establishments were assigned to the payment of the Turkish debt.

According to a report from Uskub, Michaelovitski, the Bulgarian leader, was killed in the fighting at Krushevo, while Boris Sarafoff, the noted insurgent chief, has been surrounded at Prassbalkan, the southern part of the Monastir vilayet.

It is reported that an Italian squadron has been ordered to concentrate in readiness to sail for the Turkish coast.

Forty-three battalions of Turkish reserves in Europe have been called out.

CRUISER GOES TO BOTTOM.

Chinese Warship Collides With Canadian Pacific Steamer. Hong Kong, Aug. 19.—The Canadian Pacific's steamer, Empress of India, from Vancouver, for Hong Kong, collided near this port with the Chinese cruiser Huang Tai.

The warship sank an hour after the collision. The Empress of India saved 170 of the crew of the cruiser. The captain of the Huang Tai, who refused to leave his ship, and thirteen of the crew were drowned. The Empress of India was badly damaged amidship.

Bulgaria Mobilizes Army.

Rome, Aug. 19.—Private advices from the Balkan peninsula received here state that Bulgaria has practically mobilized an army, as the troops under arms in the principality now amount to more than 70,000, which is double what is considered as the peace effective. The Bulgarian government, however, is unwilling to venture for the time being on any hostile movement against Turkey, as it does not wish to lose the support of Russia. It hopes, however, that public opinion in Russia will force the government to help Bulgaria against Turkey and the dispatch of a Russian squadron to Turkish waters encourages the Bulgarians in this view.

YACHTS ARE MEASURED.

Reliance is to Allow Challenger a Minute and Three-Quarters. New York, Aug. 19.—The Reliance and the Shamrock III were measured at Erie basin by C. E. Mower, the official measurer of the New York Yacht club. As the result of his measurements, it was announced at the yacht club that the Reliance would allow the challenger one minute and forty-five seconds over a thirty-mile course. It was found that the Shamrock III was slightly longer on the waterline than the American boat, but the latter was found to have nearly 2,000 feet more sail area than the challenger, and it was this enormous sail spread that taxed the American boat so heavily. The announcement of the time allowance in favor of the challenger caused little surprise at the yacht club, as it was the very general belief that the Reliance would prove considerably larger all around than her opponent.

NEW YARDS IN PITTSBURG.

Stockmen From All Over the Country to Be Present at the Opening. Pittsburgh, Aug. 19.—The new Herr's Island stock yards, which have just been completed at a cost of more than \$3,000,000, will be formally opened Monday, Sept. 7, with A. J. Cassatt, president of the Pennsylvania railroad, as the special guest of honor. Ten thousand invitations have been sent out for the opening and preparations are being made for the care of 25,000 people.

The new yards will be controlled by the Union Stock Yards company, and Simon O'Donnell, vice president and general manager of the new company, is making arrangements to bring a number of stockmen from various parts of the country to Pittsburgh for the opening.

PANIC AT A BOSTON FIRE.

Gasoline Explodes, Girls Stampede, Trampling Each Other Under Foot. Boston, Aug. 19.—The explosion of tank of gasoline in the basement of a six-story building occupied by several manufacturing concerns on Wood street caused a fire which destroyed every combustible foot of the building, meantime precipitating a panic, in which scores of employes received injuries. The monetary loss is \$150,000, covered by insurance. Immediately following the explosion 250 girls at work on the sixth floor, stampeded for the stairways and screaming and fighting, made their way to the ground. In the struggle many fell and were trampled upon.

Double Tragedy in Cleveland.

Cleveland, Aug. 19.—A mysterious shooting which blotted out two lives occurred here early this morning. A patrolman walking on Broadway heard two revolver shots in the direction of Ashbel street. Following the sound he stumbled over the body of a well dressed man, about twenty-four years of age, with a revolver lying near him. Close by lay the body of an attractive young woman. Both were dead, the woman shot through the right temple, and the man with a bullet hole behind the left ear. No one in the neighborhood knew either of the dead people. The police incline to the theory that it was a case of murder and suicide.

Kansas Files Amended Bill.

Washington, Aug. 19.—The amended bill of the state of Kansas in the case instituted by that state against the state of Colorado to restrain the latter state in the use of the water of the Arkansas river for irrigation purposes, was filed in the United States supreme court. The amended bill makes seventeen of the leading irrigation companies which secure water from the Arkansas river parties to the suit, whereas, in the original bill, the state of Colorado was the only defendant. It is alleged that the entire flow of water in the Arkansas has been appropriated by Colorado and by corporations organized under the authority of that state.

Rabbis Elect Officers.

Philadelphia, Aug. 19.—Owing to the volume of business yet to be transacted by the convention of Orthodox Jewish Rabbis of America, the session will be prolonged until tonight. Rabbi Sheresvski of Boston introduced the question of Zionism. The matter was referred to a committee with instructions to report to the next session. Officers were elected as follows: Rabbi A. G. Glessner, Cincinnati, president; Rabbi Philip Israelite, Chelsea, secretary; Rabbi B. Abramovits, treasurer.

Kills His Assailant.

Farmington, Mo., Aug. 19.—Tobe Francis shot and killed Leslie Ross at Deer Run. Ross was under bond for trial for shooting at Francis about ten days ago. Today they met and Ross stabbed Francis, when the latter shot him.

Paper Makers' Strike Ends.

Holyoke, Mass., Aug. 19.—The big strike of the Holyoke paper makers, which has been on since June 15, came to an end last night, when the paper makers' union voted to return to work tomorrow morning and declared the strike off. While the 3,500 operatives originally affected had been reduced by secessions to the mills, it is conservatively figured that over 2,500 men and women will be affected by this vote.

Vote Against Increase.

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 19.—The members of the state railway commission heard the report from the express companies doing business in the state in regard to raising the rate schedule, and voted against the plan to increase charges in Missouri.

CASTRO JAILS FOREIGNERS

Venezuelan President Practices Extortion on Merchants.

THROWS EUROPEANS IN PRISON.

Cause is Their Refusal to Repay Taxes Already Paid to Rebel Government at Ciudad Bolivar—Does All in His Power to Destroy Commerce.

Port of Spain, Aug. 19.—Authentic information was received announcing the imprisonment of French, German and Italian merchants at Ciudad Bolivar, Venezuela, which port was recently captured from the rebels by President Castro's troops, for refusing President Castro's demand for the repayment of taxes already paid to the de facto government. President Castro demands the payment of arrears for the period of occupation of Ciudad Bolivar by the revolutionary government. The amount demanded exceeds \$65,000. The merchants refused to recognize President Castro's decree abolishing Ciudad Bolivar as a port of entry and decline to ship goods via Carupano. The Venezuelan gunboat Miranda went to the district of Nutrias, exacting from the merchants forced contributions and fines amounting to another \$50,000. It is reported that President Castro has threatened to annihilate the commerce and expel the foreign community of Guayana, on the Orinoco. A reign of terror prevails throughout the district, owing to the extortion, threats and barbarities of the party in power.

Convict Shot to Death in Cell.

Rawlins, Wyo., Aug. 19.—James Williams, a convict, was shot to death in his cell in the state penitentiary by Ernest Goodsell, night turnkey. Reaching through the bars, Williams seized Goodsell and wrenched his keys from his hand. After a struggle Goodsell succeeded in drawing his revolver and shot Williams in the head. Williams, who was serving a sentence for grand larceny, escaped from the prison June 3 last, but was recaptured.

Locomotive Boiler Explodes.

Albuquerque, N. M., Aug. 19.—The boiler on the engine pulling the east-bound limited on the Santa Fe exploded at the Maguire mine, three miles from Kingman. Engineer Fitch was blown 150 feet and instantly killed. Fireman J. H. Bland was seriously injured, one leg being crushed and his face scalded by steam. The boiler was blown 300 feet ahead of the trucks. The train was not damaged and no one else was hurt.

Eight Joint Smashers Fined.

Wichita, Kan., Aug. 19.—Eight women concerned in the smashing of a joint last week were arraigned in the city court. All pleaded guilty to assault. They were fined \$8 each and costs. Those fined were Mrs. Dora Wardell, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Lake, Mrs. Braden, Mrs. Wyckoff, Mrs. Freeman and Mrs. Rogers. The complaint was filed by Attorney Amidon and the women were charged with assaulting T. H. Mahan. The attorney and his client were forced to beat a retreat amidst a shower of eggs, thrown by the irate women, who had just finished their work against the saloon. The men had gone to look after Mahan's interests in the saloon.

WASHINGTON FORESTS ABLAZE.

Lumber is Burned and Ranches Endangered by Fire. Spokane, Wash., Aug. 19.—A great forest fire is raging near Elk about twenty-five miles north of this city. It is reported that 1,000 acres in a belt of white pine and cedar has been burned over already and unless rain falls the loss will be very heavy. A hundred men have been fighting the fire since Sunday night, but they are powerless to control it. It is estimated that from 12,000,000 to 15,000,000 feet of timber has been destroyed. Some ranches are also in danger.

More Hopeful Feeling in Colon.

Colon, Aug. 19.—The statement made in a dispatch from Foreign Minister Ricos to Senor Herran, the Colombian minister at Washington, announcing the rejection of the canal treaty, and which was published here, to the effect that the Colombian congress may probably furnish a basis for the resumption of negotiations with the United States government, has caused a more hopeful feeling in some quarters with regard to its ultimate fate. The whole isthmus is awaiting anxiously the future action of the United States.

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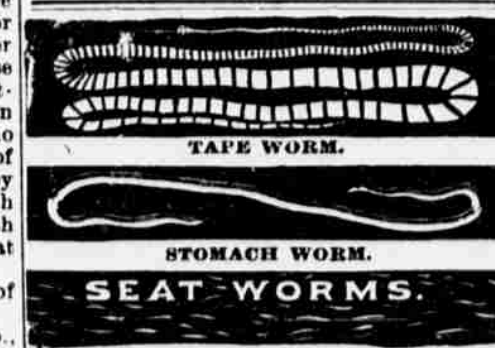
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