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HAS A WARLIKE LOOK

The Colombian Government Terminates Relations With Venezuela.

ACTION IS VIEWED WITH GRAVITY

Withdrawal of Minister Rios Last August Is Cause of the Break—Foreign Debt Emphasized—What Germany's Demands Indicate.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The State department has received confirmation of the notification of the Colombian government to Venezuela that it has terminated diplomatic relations. This came in the shape of a cablegram from Minister Hart, this action is the result of the last withdrawal of Minister Rios, the Colombian minister there.

Such a break does not necessarily mean war, though undoubtedly it is a step in that direction. Venezuela has had several affairs of this kind, some of the European nations withdrawing their representatives from Caracas for long terms, and only a year and a half ago our own government was obliged to give Minister Loomis an indefinite leave of absence from Caracas as a warning to Venezuela of our dissatisfaction with its attitude in the controversy growing out of the asphalt dispute.

It is said that manifestations of foreign disapproval have had very little influence upon the Venezuelan government. It is a significant fact that the break with Colombia has been created at the moment when Germany is considering the adoption of compulsory measures to secure the payment by the Venezuelan government of a very high financial liability to Germany.

It is supposed here that President Castro is proceeding under the theory that the application of the Monroe doctrine would protect him from untoward action by Germany, but the impression among officials here is that this belief is not well founded.

Some of the reports reaching here show there is apprehension on the part of some of the Colombians on the isthmus, including men of considerable influence, as to the duration of the stay of American marines. It has come to the knowledge of officials here that many wild rumors have been circulated on the isthmus as to the extent of the trouble that the United States forces, having once landed, would not be withdrawn.

These reports have led to inquiries between Washington and Panama, bringing out responses that the American occupation was wholly unimagined and that the most definite and positive assurances had been given that immediately on the fulfillment of this government's obligation to keep open the traffic, our forces would be withdrawn, and all authority would be terminated. This purpose of the authorities has been made known on the isthmus and has served to allay the fears caused by reports of American occupation.

With the restoration of order and open traffic on the isthmus of Panama it is expected that the War department will be enabled to withdraw some of the United States warships now on duty in that vicinity, and it is probable that one ship will be withdrawn on either side.

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NEBRASKA'S NEW MILITIA

Authority Is Given for Two Companies of Infantry.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 30.—The first formal steps in the reorganization of the Nebraska National guard were taken by Adjutant General Colby. Authority was given for the organization of two independent companies of infantry, a company of signal and engineer corps and two additional sections for the battery of artillery, and requisition was made on the War department at Washington for enough of the latest pattern Krag-Jorgensen rifles to equip one regiment, also enough artillery equipment for one complete battery.

The company of engineer and signal corps will be organized as infantry by Lieutenant Hull, captain of the Pershing Rifles, University battalion, and formerly of the First Nebraska volunteers, and W. R. Brooks, who was also a member of the First regiment of volunteers. It will be stationed at Fremont and after the preliminary organization is completed will be divided into two sections, one to be known as the signal corps, and the other as the engineer corps. Each section will be under command of a lieutenant and both will be subordinate to the captain, there being only three commissioned officers.

The independent companies of infantry will be stationed at West Point and Stanton and will be organized by James C. Elliott and G. A. Eberly respectively.

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Nebraska Girl Rescued.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Nov. 30.—An unsophisticated country maiden grew tired of her household duties and came to Sioux City. She was seen at a restaurant by a notorious back driver who under pretense of finding work, enticed her to Edith Sorenson's resort. A ray of sympathy reached the heart of a gray-haired man and he told the police matron who rescued the then terrified girl. She came from Nebraska.

MANY KILLED ON RAIL

One Hundred or More Persons Meet Death in a Wreck.

MANY OF THE WOUNDED WILL DIE

Killed by Collision, Then Perish in Flames—Charred Remains Crumble Into Powder When Dragged Forth—Many Unidentified.

DETROIT, Nov. 28.—From 100 to 150 persons were killed last night in the most disastrous wreck in the history of Michigan railroads. Two heavily loaded passenger trains on the Wabash railroad collided head-on one mile east of Seneca, the second station west of Adrian. The west bound train, composed of two cars loaded with immigrants and five other coaches, was smashed and burned, with the result of awful loss of life and fearful injuries to a majority of its passengers. The eastbound train, the Continental limited, suffered in scarcely less degree.

The track in the vicinity of the wreck is strewn with dead and dying. Many physicians from Detroit have gone to the scene.

DETROIT, Nov. 29.—When night fell over the scene of last night's calamity on the Wabash railroad near Seneca, Mich., those who had been investigating the disaster had found nothing to alter the estimate of about eighty lives lost as a result of the collision. Superintendent George M. Burns of the division on which the wreck occurred insists that the estimates are too high. "I do not consider," said he, "that the total death list will exceed twenty."

However, in support of the larger estimate it is pointed out that there are now fourteen passengers known to be dead. The bodies of eight of these have been recovered and it is considered that the fragments of other bodies now in the morgue will account for many more than the twelve dead necessary to make up Superintendent Burns' estimate of twenty. In addition to the comparatively few fragments recovered and sent to the morgue, those who were early on the scene say that many more pieces were discovered which crumbled to powder while they were being removed.

Superintendent Burns said to the Associated Press tonight that he was unable to tell the exact number of Italian immigrants aboard train No. 13, but thought that there were not more than fifty. Passengers on the train and a number of those who were early on the scene dispute this and say the number was nearer eighty.

Superintendent Burns has received no report as yet from Ticket Collector Omes of train No. 13, who probably knows nearer than any one else the number of Italians in the cars.

The official list of the dead given to the local papers shows the names of but ten dead and forty-eight injured. But Detroit newspaper men, who were at the scene of the wreck and talked with survivors of both trains, say that the official list does not bear out the statements of the passengers nor evidence of loss of life which they witnessed at the spot where the accident occurred.

The Free Press tomorrow will say that the loss of life was, in round numbers, 100, and that the statements made by the Italian immigrants on train No. 13 bear out this claim.

The Sugar Tariff.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 29.—President Roosevelt has stated to a number of visitors that he will recommend in his message that the duty on sugar from Cuba be reduced in consideration of certain trade privileges when the independent government is set up, and that the duty on sugar from the Philippines also be reduced as a stimulus to promoting the industry in those islands.

Wedding Party Drowns.

HONOLULU, Nov. 29.—(Via Victoria, Nov. 28.)—News comes from Tonga that a schooner carrying a wedding party of forty people, men, women and children, was wrecked and all were drowned. The schooner had taken the party to Nafatu and had started back to Haabai.

Western Packing Statistics.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 29.—The Price Current says the marketing of hogs has been fairly increased. The total western packing is 755,000, compared with 685,000 the preceding week and 625,000 last year.

China Honors McKinley.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The state department has received a report from the consul general at Shanghai saying the guilds of silk, tea and cotton piece goods dealers have contributed to a monument in Shanghai to the late president McKinley and announce that they are doing this to show their appreciation of the man and of his attitude towards China. The empire never before took such action.

Confession for a Nation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Congressman Burkett said that a meeting of the western legislators to consider a bill for the reclamation of the arid and semi-arid lands would be held in Denver on Monday. "My information," he said, "is that a large majority of the western senators and members involved in this vital question will be present. I have had replies from a large number of those addressed."

Shift Responsibility.

SOBIA, Nov. 29.—The government has forwarded to C. W. Dickinson, the United States diplomatic agent there who recently left this city for Constantinople, a reply to his note of November 12 concerning Miss Stone, the American missionary. It is merely a repetition of the official views already cabled, repudiating the responsibility of Bulgaria and alleging that the officials had given every assistance possible in the matter.

Judge Phillips Dead.

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 29.—Judge William Phillips, the oldest member of the Polk county bar, and one of the wealthiest pioneers in Iowa, died at Phoenix, A. T., last night at 9:15. He had gone there for his health.

Colonel Arthur Lynch.

Colonel Arthur Lynch, the newly elected member of parliament for Galway, has been informed that if he comes to England he will be tried for treason.

DAVID NATION GETS DIVORCE

His Wife Prosecuted Suit for Separation.

KANSAS CITY, Nov. 29.—A special to the Star from Medicine Lodge, Kan., says: David Nation was granted a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Carrie Nation, "the joint smasher." The court exonerated Mrs. Nation from the charge of cruelty to her husband and divided the property. The Medicine Lodge home will go to Mr. Nation and outlying property to his wife.

In reply to questions of the court, Mrs. Nation said that one reason she sought the proceedings was that she wished to continue to share the pension money drawn by her husband. Mr. Nation, in support of his petition for divorce, cited a letter from his wife in which she denounced him as a "hellbound hypocrite." He charged that she did not intend to his wants.

CRAZY SNAKE IS UNBURY

Leader of Recent Creek Rebellion Causes More Trouble.

GUTHRIE, Okl., Nov. 29.—A special to the Capital from Tulsa, I. T., says: Crazy Snake, who led the rebellion last spring against the government, is causing the Creek council much trouble. The Snake band will send a strong delegation to Washington to protest against the dealing of Creek lands.

A joint resolution was passed unanimously by both houses of the Creek council, demanding that deeds be issued immediately and at Okmulgee, instead of Muskogee. Chief Porter probably sent the resolution to Secretary Hitchcock. The delay has caused widespread discontent. The treaty of last May promised deeds immediately and the Indians only ask justice.

Held Cannon on Saturday.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The republican members of the house of representatives will meet in caucus Saturday at 2 o'clock for the purpose of nominating house officers. There is no contest and Speaker Henderson and the other elective officers will be re-elected. It is expected that there will be quite a sharp contest over re-accepting the Reed rules. All the afternoon and evening, if necessary, will be given to discussing the subject.

Burglars Wound a Constable.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Nov. 29.—For several nights Constable Wesley Gan and several deputies have been endeavoring to capture burglars that have robbed numerous stores and residents in the suburbs, but never came upon the robbers until this morning. Constable Gan was separated from his deputies, but did not hesitate to attack three of the burglars and endeavor to capture them. He was fatally shot and pounded into insensibility.

Attitude Pleases Them.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Thomas F. Walsh, president, and General F. W. Maxwell, secretary of the executive committee of the National Irrigation association, saw the president. They told him that the expansion of international trade and commerce of the United States by the creation of more homes in the west was the object of their association and that they fully endorsed the report of Secretary Hitchcock on the subject of irrigation.

In the Civil Service.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The president signs an order bringing the rural free delivery service into the classified civil service. The order becomes effective immediately so far as the 250 clerks, special agents and route inspectors of that service are concerned, but provides that until regulations are formulated for appointment of rural carriers, they shall not be treated as within the classified service. These number 6,000.

Controlled by Filipinos.

MANILA, Nov. 29.—Privates Dun and Freaning of the English infantry, together with their horses, rifles and 300 rounds of ammunition, have been captured by insurgents who attacked a commissary wagon between Magadana and Gajayana. A sergeant and a private were also wounded.

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Schley at Kansas City.

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New Jersey Vote.

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THE REBELS DRAW BACK

General Alban Marching to the Capital Harasses the Enemy.

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Losses on Both Sides Are Heavy and Continued to Grow—A Desperate Battle Between Rebels—Likely to Be Fought at Monkey Hill.

COLUMBIA, Nov. 28.—The overland passenger train, with a marine guard on board, has just arrived here. The train brings news to the effect that General Alban, with about 300 government troops, has crossed Barbacoas bridge and is continuing his march to Colon. He is now at Taverilla, where he is resting. The liberal forces continue to retreat before him. They explain their retreat by saying they have no ammunition. All of the fighting yesterday occurred at Barbacoas bridge. Passengers on the delayed train assert that fully 100 conservatives were killed and wounded during the fighting there and that the liberal losses were insignificant. The liberals are now approaching Gatin station (about five miles from Colon) and it is believed a decisive engagement will probably be fought at Monkey Hill, a cemetery distant one mile from the limits of Colon.

The trains which left here yesterday afternoon for Panama, with the liberal marines and the passengers from the steamer Orizaba, were delayed in transit, but reached Panama in safety.

Reports current here that General Pinzon has been found on investigation to be unreliable and not authentic.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Consul General de Briondo of Colombia said that he had received a cablegram from General Alban, describing the situation at the isthmus. Alban, he said, denied that Panama was full of liberal sympathizers.

General Diego A. de Castro, who was at the consulate, said that both Colon and Panama were free ports, that the temporary occupation by the rebels would not amount to much and that under existing treaties the United States was bound to preserve order in that section. He said that at the present time Colombia had 32,000 trained soldiers in the field. Of that force 15,000 men were with General Valencia, on the Venezuelan border, in the department of Santander, and another large force was protecting Bogota, the capital. At Baranquilla, he said there were 1,500 men; at Cartagena, 2,000, and at Rio Hacha there were 3,500 men. The general said that this force of 7,000 men could be concentrated to support General Alban on the isthmus, but the government did not consider it necessary at the present time to make an assault on the little rebel bands.

General de Castro said that General Alban, with his force of 1,100 men and the 360 men sent to take Colon and now on board General Pinzon, would be able to break up the liberal bands.

NEBRASKAN AT WHITE HOUSE

Major Llewellyn, Former Rough-Rider, Dines With President.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—Major W. H. H. Llewellyn, formerly of Omaha, now of New Mexico, who served with President Roosevelt and his Rough Riders during the Spanish war, dined with the president and later was Mrs. Roosevelt's escort to the theater.

Major Llewellyn's son, who was born in Omaha, served with his father in Colonel Roosevelt's regiment. Major Llewellyn, who is a brother of Charles E. Llewellyn, inspector of rural free delivery in Nebraska, left Nebraska twenty years ago and is now district prosecuting attorney in the territory. He is here to assist New Mexico in securing statehood.

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BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

A sale has been made of 20,000 acres of coal lands in Wayne county, W. Va., to a Pittsburgh syndicate, which it is said, will oppose the present coal trust.

By a decision handed down by Justice Mervin, one-half of the estate of Mrs. M. H. Davis, of Rome, N. Y., valued at \$50,000, will go to the Christian Scientists.

An official Serbian statement declares there is absolutely no foundation in the reports that Queen Draga has been shot at or that she has committed suicide.

John Morgan, a convict at the federal prison at Leavenworth, made a successful escape while working in the quarry, his absence not being discovered until 5 p. m.

Louis Grannotti, an accomplice of Brecci, the assassin of King Humbert, was sentenced to life imprisonment at the assizes. Grannotti has not yet been captured.

Conductor Higgins, the eighth victim of the Santa Fe wreck in Arizona, died. The injured are progressing favorably and no more fatalities among them are probable.

It is stated that Senator Hanna, immediately after the opening of congress, will introduce a bill providing for a \$5,000 annual pension to Mrs. McKinley during her lifetime.

The Southern Athletic club was organized at Charleston, S. C., the object of the association being to hold a series of sparring exhibitions in Charleston during the exposition period.

Mrs. May Agnew, wife of Captain Agnew, formerly of Company M, Twentieth Kansas, died at Manila, where she went recently with her husband, who is an officer in the regular army.

It was learned at Baltimore that Mr. Eldor Rayner, chief counsel for Rear Admiral W. S. Schley in the recent hearing before the court of inquiry, has refused to accept a fee for his services.

There has been an alarming spread of the plague in South Russia, according to dispatches from Lemberg, hundreds of fatal cases being reported in Moscow, Odessa, Kiev, Kherson and other towns.

According to the World, heirs of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt must pay \$361,903.42 into the coffers of Uncle Sam. This is the total of the inheritance tax found by the federal government against the estate.

The Vienna papers assert that Turkey is addressing an arrogant circular note to the powers protesting against their "perpetual interference" in Turkish affairs, and demanding to know their intention regarding Crete.

The municipal council of Guines, forty-five miles southwest of Havana, has voted to award the contract for supplying water and electric light to the town to Hugh J. Reilly of New York. The contracts are for \$250,000.

The secretary of war has directed that the other granting free admission of Christmas presents to the Philippines and Cuba shall extend only to the officers and men and civilian employees of the army and navy, and not to the civilian employees of the civil government.

The governor, secretary of state and attorney general at Alabama opened and counted the vote on the new constitution. The result shows a majority of 23,429 for the constitution. The governor will issue his proclamation within a few days and ten days thereafter the new law will go into effect.

The city of Los Angeles has sold water bonds to the amount of two millions.

The industrial commission has issued a report on railway labor in the United States. It shows that railway employees in this country constitute an army of nearly 1,000,000 people, with probably nearly 5,000,000 dependent upon the wages paid by the railroads. The report says that for years to come the railroads will absorb an increasing number of employees.

C. R. Breckinridge, a member of the Dawes commission, discussed with the interior department officials the proposed supplementary Creek treaty. The secretary decided to take no action in the matter until congress convenes.

Fire destroyed the Crawfordville, Ind., wire and mail plant, entailing a loss of \$150,000.

At Kansas City the dead bodies of five Gordon and Harry Griard, colored, were found on the floor of a room at 1412 Grand avenue.

The Pan-American exposition buildings were sold to the Chicago House Wrecking company for \$2,000.

The disorders are increasing in Spain and the government is stopping telegrams and taking military measures to maintain order.

The late president was to have laid the corner stone of the Ohio College of Government, one of the buildings of the group of the American university at Washington, next month and it is probable that the honor will now devolve upon President Roosevelt.

According to the New York Journal and Advertiser the formal announcement of the engagement of Miss Kathleen Neilson and Reginald Vanderbilt will be made as soon as his mother, Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, returns to that city.

Between midnight and Sunday morning about \$5,000 worth of plate glass windows in the business portion of Eaton, Ohio, were broken by William Bosman, who had recently been discharged from the asylum for insanity at Dayton as cured.

Supply of Horses.

S. A. French, Franklin County, Ia.: Most of the stallions used here are either Norman or Clyde. The mares are mostly grades or some mixed breed. Probably fifty per cent of the farmers raise horses and they feed the drafts the most profitable. A few raise the horses but they are not as salable as the heavier horses. The supply of colts is about what it was before horses got so cheap. The present supply of marketable horses is considerably short of former years; for when the prices of horses fell so low, fewer colts were raised for two or three years and that has shortened the present supply. Except a few cases of distemper, no disease prevails and the condition of horses is good.

John W. Brucker, Calumet County, Wis.: About one-fourth of our stock of colts, but not every year, perhaps one-half of that quarter raise colts every other year: still we have more 2-year-old colts than we had in 1894. We also have some three-year-olds possibly half as many as our stock of two-year-olds. They are mostly roadsters weighing about 1,100 pounds on the average. Draft horses are most in demand and we have now some heavy Percherons and Clydes. The supply of horses that are ready for market is not as large as in previous years, though there are always some horses for sale. Horses are generally healthy and in good condition.

J. E. Gray, Louisa County, Iowa: Relative to the supply of horses in our neighborhood, would say almost every farmer raises colts of some kind, mostly draft colts, say about three-fourths of them. There are also some roadsters and a small number of coach horses. Horses of marketable condition are scarce and command good prices—\$150 to \$200 a head at home. A light attack of distemper and pink eye is affecting the horses on some farms; otherwise condition of horses is good.—Farmers' Review.

Imports of Horses.—American manufacturers are evidently quite as busy in 1901 as they were in 1900. At least this is a reasonable conclusion from an examination of the figures of the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, which show that the total imports of manufacturers' materials in the nine months ending with September, 1