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AFFAIRS POSTAL

LOOKED INTO BY ATTORNEYS BONAPARTE AND CONRAD.

WHAT THE LATTER AFFIRMS

Investigation by the Lawyers Made at the Personal Request of President Roosevelt and Independent of the Postoffice Department.

WASHINGTON—By direction of President Roosevelt a thorough investigation has been made into the charges preferred by Seymour W. Tulloch against the management of affairs of the Washington, D. C., postoffice. This investigation has been made by Hon. Charles J. Bonaparte and Hon. Holmes Conrad, special counsel of the government in the prosecution of the postoffice cases, and it is independent and supplementary to the report made by Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow.

Mr. Bristow's report, Mr. Conrad says, was simply a collection of facts in the case reported by postoffice inspectors and contained no opinion as to the merit of the charge. The investigation made by Messrs. Bonaparte and Conrad will go into the merits of the charge and will express an opinion as to whether or not the accused persons are vindicated or are guilty of the offenses charged against them. The conclusions drawn from their inquiry will be embodied in a report which will be submitted to the attorney general the latter part of the week. Whether or not this report will be made public Mr. Conrad could not say tonight, as that matter rests with the officials of the administration. No prosecution will arise from any results of the investigation, as the offenses, if any have been made, are barred by the statute of limitations.

Mr. Conrad said he and Mr. Bonaparte had been engaged for five weeks in the inquiry. They had examined thoroughly the matters themselves, with all charges on the subject made by the Treasury and Postoffice departments. The president, said Mr. Conrad, was very anxious that the whole matter should be gone over carefully so that if persons named in the charges of Mr. Tulloch were not guilty they should be vindicated and if they were that this fact might go on record. Their duty had been to act in the capacity of a master in chancery and report on the facts as they found them. It was not a party affair with the president, Mr. Conrad declared, but an honest desire to get at the facts in the case, both Democrats and Republicans being involved in the charges. The president was anxious to have the matter thoroughly sifted and any criticism, credit or blame arising from the inquiry would be borne by him.

Postoffice Investigation to End. WASHINGTON—Postmaster General Payne said that when the federal grand jury in this city disposes of the postoffice cases now before it the investigation in Washington will be practically complete, leaving matters in New York still to be closed.

Plague Condition is Serious. MARSFIELD.—The unofficial reports make the plague situation serious. The dead, it appears, includes four women and one man whose bodies were covered with buboes, leaving little doubt as to the nature of the disease.

Wants Booker to Train Waiters. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—The International Stewards' association in session here adopted a resolution urging Booker T. Washington to establish at the Tuskegee institute, a training school for kitchen and dining room employees.

Tried to Kill King Peter. VIENNA—Special dispatches give an unconfirmed report of an attempt on King Peter's life at Nisa on Saturday. It is said that stones were thrown at the royal carriage, one striking the king in the face, and a pistol was fired from a neighboring window. It is also rumored that the Sixth Serbian regiment, notorious for the part it played in the recent regicides, has been ordered to Nisa.

Memorial for McKinley. CANTON, O.—The second anniversary of the death of President McKinley, next Monday, will be observed in this city by a memorial service in the church which he attended during his life time.

Dan Patch Breaks a Record. LIMA, O.—Dan Patch broke the world's pacing record of 2:04 1/4 on a half-mile track on the Lima Driving park, going the distance in 2:04.

DEATH OF A CHURCH PATRIARCH.

Right Rev. Thomas Clark Dead at the Age of 91.

NEWPORT, R. I.—The Right Rev. Thomas March Clark, bishop of Rhode Island, and by virtue of his seniority presiding elder of the Episcopal church in this country, as well as the oldest bishop in the Anglican communion, if not in the world, died suddenly Monday at his home in Middletown.

Bishop Clark was born in Newburyport, Mass., on July 4, 1812. He was once deacon of Grace church in Boston in 1836, and advanced to the priesthood in November of that year. He officiated at Grace church until 1842, when he left for Philadelphia, where he was rector of St. Andrew's church until 1847. He then returned to Boston as assistant rector in Trinity church, and finally become rector in the Church of Christ at Hartford, Conn. He remained there from 1859 until 1884, when he was consecrated bishop of Rhode Island. In 1893 he gave up the active duties of his diocese.

BLOODY DEEDS AT HAND.

Macedonians Threaten Violence of a Revolting Character.

LONDON—Special dispatches from the near east published here Tuesday morning furnished little news regarding the situation in the Balkans. All the correspondents at Constantinople emphasize the apparent danger of war with Bulgaria, while the Sofia correspondents are equally insistent as to the prudent and correct attitude of Prince Ferdinand and his government.

Accounts from both Turkish and insurgent sources of the operations in Macedonia show that the work of extermination is proceeding unchecked, and although apparently realizing the danger of a conflagration, the powers are making some attempt to interfere. It is believed that nothing of a serious nature will be done until after the meeting of the czar and Emperor Francis Joseph at Vienna, when it may be too late. The insurgents are now said to number 26,000 well armed and efficiently commanded men.

MISFORTUNE PURSUES HIM.

Prof. Langley's Airship is Once More Disabled.

WIDE WATER, Va.—Prof. Langley's airship was disabled again Wednesday by the wreck of the starboard propeller, which broke under pressure of its own velocity about the middle of one of the blades dashing against the frame work and doing considerable damage. The blade whirled through the air at a fast rate, barely missing several men on the deck of a tug boat. Prof. Manley, who was in the car, at once had the machine placed inside.

The structural weakness which this second accident indicates may require much work before a launching is attempted. Prof. Langley was not here, but a test would have been made if all had gone well.

FIRST DOCUMENT OF PIUS X.

Addresses Letter to Certain Cardinals Confirming Appointments.

ROME—It has been announced that Pius X would announce Tuesday his first encyclical addressed to the Catholic hierarchy and people throughout the world, but this was incorrect. The pontiff published his first official document, consisting of a letter addressed to Cardinals Vannutelli, Rampolla, Ferrata and Yves y Tutu, confirming their appointment by Pope Leo, as a celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception. The letter, which is brief, is followed by a prayer to the Virgin Mary, which will acquire importance as being the first to bear the signature of Pius X.

Old Soldiers' Meetings.

NEW YORK.—The adjourned meeting of the Society of the Potomac was held in conjunction with the meeting of the Armies of the West at Washington, October 15 and 16 next. General Daniel E. Sickles will represent the society at the unveiling of the Sherman statue and Gen. John R. Brooke, the president, will respond at the banquet. The headquarters will be at the Ebbitt house. A large crowd is in attendance.

Gives Out the Statistics.

WASHINGTON.—The interstate commerce commission made public statistics covering part of a general report on the state regulation and tax history of railroads in the United States in 1902. It shows that thirty states exercised control over railroads through commissions and says the legislative tendency during the past twelve years has been in the direction of more efficient control over rates.

ACTS ON DEMAND

TURKEY REMOVE THE GOVERNOR WHO WAS OBJECTIONABLE.

LEISHMAN'S PRESTIGE LARGER

Cheikh Bey Says that Peace Has Been Established at Beyroot—City is Now Quiet and the People Are Resuming Business.

WASHINGTON—The following bulletin was posted at the Navy department Friday:

"Admiral Cotton telegraphs from Beyroot, September 10, that the governor general of Damascus has been appointed acting governor general at Beyroot and has expressed a desire to settle the case of the American vice consul satisfactory to the United States government. Beyroot quiet, business improving, confidence increasing."

The State department had authentic advice that Governor General Nazim Pasha of Damascus, who has been appointed acting governor of Beyroot, is a trustworthy and broad-minded man, and Minister Leishman has been instructed to advise the sublime Porte that the Washington government is greatly pleased at the immediate granting of its request for the removal of the governor of Beyroot and the appointment in his stead of a responsible person and one favorable to foreigners.

A long cablegram reached the State department from Minister Leishman on the general Turkish situation, which has not yet been made public. The prestige of Minister Leishman at Constantinople has greatly increased since the appearance of the Eropcean squadron off Beyroot, and the scope of his representations to the Porte has also increased in the last few days. It is understood our government will push to an early conclusion all its pending claims against Turkey.

Cheikh Bey, the Turkish minister, was a caller at the State department Friday, bringing further reassuring advice that a "condition of absolute peace has been established at Beyroot."

CONSTANTINOPLE—The American consul at Beyroot reports that the situation there is improving, thanks to the confidence inspired by Nazim Pasha, who has succeeded Reshid Pasha. Rumors of fresh outrages continue to reach Constantinople, but these reports are deliberately spread, with the object of creating the impression that the present situation at Beyroot was caused by the arrival there of the United States warships.

As a matter of fact the general state of affairs is chronic at Beyroot. Insecurity has prevailed there for months.

Cotton Can Land If Desired.

WASHINGTON—The navy department has received a cablegram from Admiral Cotton at Beirut, saying he is prepared to land a force for the protection of the property of American citizens if the situation demands it.

LIMA—Senor Candamo was Tuesday installed as president of the republic. The house of congress was thronged.

Nebraska at St. Louis.

LINCOLN, Neb.—At a meeting of the Nebraska commission for the St. Louis exposition arrangements were discussed with prominent exhibitors to have entries ready for the Nebraska exhibit at the exposition. October 18 will be Nebraska day at the fair, that being the anniversary of the day the first territorial governor of Nebraska took the oath of office.

Hanna is at His Office.

CLEVELAND, O.—Senator Hanna was at his office for a brief period Thursday for the first time since his illness. Mr. Hanna is still determined to go on the stump in the republican state campaign which opens September 19, notwithstanding that it will probably be against the advice of his physicians.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON—Tuesday's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the \$150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, \$235,284,092; gold, \$106,733,142.

To Guard Frontier Carefully.

SALONICA—Palace authorities, acting upon advice received here from the Turkish minister at Belgrade, have telegraphed to the wali of Kossova, instructing him to guard the Serbian frontier more carefully, because the Serbian revolutionary committee is said to be holding meetings at many places, and is organizing bands, distributing bombs and explaining the use of them to their followers.

Captain Barclay Steps Up.

CLEVELAND—Rear Admiral Casey, recently detached from command of the Pacific squadron, was retired on account of age, after nearly forty-seven years of active service. Captain Charles J. Barclay, commanding the Fugate Sound navy yard, will become a rear admiral. Captain E. P. Lambert, who is ordered to command the South Atlantic squadron, now stands at the head of the list of captains and will become a rear admiral soon.

ATROCITIES BEYOND BELIEF.

Turks Dig Flesh from Living Woman with Pocket Knives.

LONDON—The Daily Mail's correspondent at Monastir, in a dispatch dated September 6, claims that himself, the British vice consul, MacGregor, and an American missionary named Bond, are the intended victims of Turkish revenge because they reported the Turkish atrocities. If their murder could be compassed, it would be fathered upon the Bulgarians.

The correspondent describes further atrocities by soldiers. In one case they flayed a little girl's head, while in another they dug the flesh from under a woman's arms with pocket knives in order to see the working of her lungs.

A Constantinople dispatch to the Daily Mail, dated September 10, says the Porte telegraphed to Washington asking for the American squadron recalled from Beirut, but the request was refused. Minister Leishman declared that it would remain until the departure of the late wali, Reshid Pasha.

PENSION LIST GROWING LESS.

Beneficiaries Drop Below the Million Mark.

WASHINGTON—The annual report of Commissioner of Pensions Ware places the total number of pensioners now on the rolls at 996,545, of which 725,356 are soldiers and 267,185 are widows and dependents. Mr. Ware announces that it is not probable that the pension roll will again cross the million line, the high water mark having been reached a year ago.

Five of the pensions are on the roll on account of the war of the revolution; 1,116 of the war of 1812; 4,734 on account of Indian wars, and 13,874 on account of the Mexican war. The average annual value of each pension is now \$133. The total annual value of the Spanish war pension roll has reached \$1,765,310.

Commissioner Ware makes the following recommendations: Laws forbidding the pension or right to pension of any man convicted in court of an infamous crime; prohibiting the giving of pensions to women who marry soldiers after the soldiers become old pensioners; a different method of examining applicants for pensions. Mr. Ware stamps the present system as uncertain, unsatisfactory and of an enormous amount of political friction.

Mr. Ware says the bureau has gained on the current work 100,000 cases during the last two years.

CHARGES NOW PUBLIC.

United States Attorney Gives Names of Men Indicted.

WASHINGTON—United States District Attorney Beach on Friday announced that the six persons named in the seven indictments returned by the grand jury last Tuesday are:

George W. Beavers, former chief of the division of salaries and allowances, postoffice department; August Machen, former general superintendent of the free delivery system postoffice department; James W. Erwin, former postoffice inspector, with headquarters in San Francisco; George H. Huntington and Isaac A. McGeehan, both of New York City, owners of the Columbia Supply company of Toledo, O.; Eugene D. Scheble of Toledo, O., a dentist and interested in the firm of Maybury & Ellis of Detroit, Mich., letter box manufacturers.

ST. LOUIS FAIR THREATENED.

Westinghouse Strike May Tie Up Important Work.

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The strike at the East Pittsburg plant of the Westinghouse Machine company threatens to tie up important work on the St. Louis fair buildings.

President O'Connell of the International Association of Machinists has taken the matter up with President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor. It is claimed that the support of that body has been assured and that a meeting of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor has been called to meet at Washington on September 21, when the question of calling out all union men employed on Westinghouse contracts on the fair grounds will receive consideration, providing an appeal to be made to the Westinghouse people in the meantime by President Gompers is not satisfactorily answered.

Ferdinand in Strict Retirement.

BERLIN—The Lokal Anzeiger on Friday published a dispatch from Sofia, Bulgaria, saying that Prince Ferdinand has not yet returned to the capital and that he is in seclusion at the castle of Euxineograd, with several of his favorites, all the approaches to the castle being strongly guarded by soldiers. All the purveyors for the royal establishment, it is added, are searched before being allowed to enter the castle.

Hanna a Live Man Still.

WASHINGTON—Senator Hanna, referring to the sensational reports sent out to the effect that he had suffered a relapse and that his condition was worse than at any time since he was taken ill, said Friday: "Well, some of the newspapers may be trying to kill me off, but nevertheless I am still attending to business every day, although it is true I have not entirely recovered my normal condition."

MUST STEP DOWN

UNCLE SAM DEMANDS REMOVAL OF THE WALL.

LIFE IS UNSAFE WITH HIM

United States Minister Leishman Makes the Request, but the Porte Has Not Yet Applied to the Demand for Dismissal.

CONSTANTINOPLE—United States Minister Leishman has presented a demand to the Turkish government for the dismissal of Reshid Pasha, wali of Beyroot, on the ground that so long as he is retained in the office of the fortifications of Adrianople, Beyroot are insecure. The Porte has not yet replied to the demand nor has there been any development in connection with other American claims.

The dispatch of Nazim Pasha to Beyroot from his post at Damascus is considered to be a preliminary step toward a settlement. Nazim Pasha received an enthusiastic reception upon his arrival at Beyroot, a crowd at the railway station cheering him repeatedly. The town was then perfectly tranquil.

According to the latest telegrams, however, the consuls continue to transact their business with Reshid Pasha, wali of Beyroot.

Advices from Beyroot received here state that uneasiness still prevailed among the Christians there and that the exodus to the mountains continued, but no fresh disturbances had occurred.

Rear Admiral Cotton confirms the reports that he can land 500 marines and bluejackets from Brooklyn and San Francisco in case of urgent necessity.

Nothing is known here as yet of any arrangement made by other powers for sending war ships to Beyroot.

Private advices from Kirk-Killiseh state that while the Turkish regular troops are conducting themselves well, the Albanians are insubordinate and are pillaging and burning villages and are even threatening their own officers when they are ordered not to plunder.

Up to September 7 twenty-seven battalions of troops had been concentrated in the Kirk-Killiseh district.

An imperial decree has been issued ordering the repair or reconstruction of the fortifications of Adrianople, Chateja, Erzerum and the Bozporus.

PARIS—Advices received by the French foreign office from Beyroot say that Nazim Pasha, the wali of Syria, is making a thorough investigation of the causes of the recent disorder at Beyroot and that he has given assurances to the foreign consuls that he will severely punish the guilty.

Under the circumstances, it is added, the French, British and Italian consuls have decided not to ask for the landing of American marines as (contrary to the Constantinople advices), the excitement has subsided and the Christian refugees who fled are returning to their homes.

PAUL MORTON AT OYSTER BAY.

President Also Hears Report on Alleged Indian Frauds.

OYSTER BAY, L. I.—The president entertained at luncheon Paul Morton of Chicago, vice president of the Santa Fe railroad system; Francis E. Leupp of Washington, and Lieutenant Gordon Johnston of the army, who was a member of the president's regiment of Rough Riders.

Mr. Leupp, who is a Washington newspaper correspondent, was appointed by the president several months ago as a commissioner to make an investigation of alleged Indian frauds in the Oklahoma territory. He has completed his work and made his report to the president.

Dipping Order is Modified.

CHEYENNE, Wyo.—After listening to protests of sheep owners against the recent order compelling the dipping of all sheep on account of the prevalence of scab, the board of sheep commissioners Tuesday modified the order so as to allow flocks not affected by scab to have clean bills of health, inspection to begin at once.

Lieutenant Sutton Murdered.

MANILA—Lieutenant Sutton of the constabulary was murdered by a mob of native policemen at Cebu a few days ago while attempting to arrest a policeman for disobedience of orders.

Omaha Steer is Dead.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—A prized shorthorn steer belonging to W. F. Christian of Omaha passed to the happy hunting grounds Wednesday morning. He had brought it from Omaha, where it captured the red ribbon. A string of red and blue ones fastened over its quarters. It was taken ill with bladder and kidney trouble in Omaha, but appeared to have recovered. Tuesday night it suffered a relapse and died.

Ports are Preparing for War.

SALONICA, European Turkey—The latest orders received from the Turkish government are regarded here as a sure indication that the Porte entertains serious apprehensions of war. Sixteen battalions of Mustahafes, or second reserves, have been called to arms in the Salonica, Uskub and Mostar districts, and the artillery and cavalry reserves of the Adrianople and Smyrna divisions have also been mobilized.

JURY'S FINDINGS.

Sixty Persons Caught in Postoffice Investigation.

WASHINGTON—After deliberating for several weeks over a mass of documents submitted by the postoffice inspectors, the federal grand jury in this city on Tuesday returned seven indictments in postal cases, involving sixty persons. All the indictments were kept off the public record and both the office and district attorney refused to discuss the indictments or the parties indicted. The identity of the indicted individuals was thus left a matter of conjecture.

It is expected that arrests will occur tomorrow morning and that the Postoffice department will have some announcement to make during the forenoon. The grand jury action probably marks the beginning of the end of the investigations that have been in progress since the middle of March. Voluminous evidence has been laid before it as a result of the inquiry, and while the present report of the jury disposes of most of the cases, there yet remains several to be passed up.

When the latter are disposed of, according to Postmaster Payne, the investigation so far as the work at Washington is concerned, will be at an end for all practical purposes. Several of the persons indicted today live outside of Washington. They will be arrested as soon as bench warrants can be served.

TORONTO—Mr. Stern declined to be seen when a reporter called at his home. He referred all callers to his attorney. Mr. Stern's lawyer said that his client was ready to appear before an extradition judge and prove his innocence, which is interpreted as a declaration that extradition proceedings will be fought to the end. He will not leave the city, the attorney said, and if an extradition warrant is secured Mr. Stern will at once leave for Washington.

TO ENFORCE PURE FOOD LAW.

Some Foreign Goods Are to Be Shut Out.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The agricultural department is making strong efforts to keep out of the country all imported goods, the entry of which is prohibited under the pure food act. Since August 1, when the act went into effect, approximately 600 shipments of meats, wine, olive oil, etc., have been held up pending an examination as to the determination of the question whether their use is prohibited in the country whence they are imported into the United States. Up to this time only one shipment, consisting of white wine, has been refused entry.

The special agents and consuls abroad keep the department advised by cable of all shipments of goods which may come within the prohibitions of the law, and instructions are sent at once to the collectors at the ports where they are to arrive to hold them in warehouses and send samples to Washington for analysis.

MONEY TO RECLAIM LAND.

Commissioner of General Land Office Makes Report of Cash on Hand.

WASHINGTON—W. A. Richards, commissioner of the general land office, has made public a statement showing the amounts to the credit of the reclamation fund from sales of public lands in the several states and territories during the fiscal years of 1901, 1902 and 1903 under the provisions of the act of congress approved June 17, 1902. It is shown that during the present year there has been covered into the treasury from the proceeds of the sale of public lands in sixteen states and territories the sum of \$8,461,493, making an aggregate of \$16,191,838 as the total sum far received and on deposit in the United States treasury to the credit of the reclamation fund. Of this amount Nebraska contributed during the present year \$118,838, and a total since 1901 of \$354,036. During the year 1903 South Dakota sold lands credited to the reclamation fund valued at \$239,420, making the total received from that state \$516,982. In Wyoming lands were sold which brought \$272,923, during the current year, making an aggregate of \$659,696 during the last three years.

Western Pioneer Dead.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo.—Samuel Jacobs, a pioneer in the history of early life of Kansas and Colorado, and a railway builder, is dead, aged 82. He was the grandson of General John Andre, a brother of Major Andre of revolutionary fame.

Spends Money in Salt Lake.

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah—General Superintendent J. P. Young of the Rio Grande & Western railway on Thursday announced that the city council of Salt Lake would be presented at its next meeting with a petition for necessary franchises for improvements for the Denver & Rio Grande system in this city, aggregating nearly \$1,000,000. This will include the erection of a new station to cost at least \$200,000.

Admiral Sumner to Retire.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Rear Admiral Sumner, commander-in-chief of the South Atlantic station, on Wednesday hauled down his flag and will return to the United States. He retires in December.

Jim and Jack to Meet.

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Champion Jim Jeffries and Jack Monroe have agreed to meet in this city October 16 for a twenty-round contest.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Congressman Vincent Boronia of Kansas is critically ill with pneumonia.

Word comes from Paris that Richard Croker, who is at Wantage, Eng., is desirous that Arthur Gorman be the democratic nominee for president.

A dispatch from Kobe, Japan, says three Japanese have been arrested on suspicion of plotting the assassination of the premier of Japan, Viscount Katsuma.

Mrs. Anna Bellows, whose husband is an employe at the Frisco ice house at Ceresco, Nevada, shot and killed her 18-year-old daughter and then killed herself.

A New York man, after overpowering a policeman, ended his life under an elevated train, a panic resulting among the hundreds of people on the train and platform.

The village of Sant Antimo, near Naples, has been destroyed by fire. One woman was burned to death and twelve persons were injured. All the inhabitants are homeless.

The Berlin Tageblatt says the German Levant liner Pyrgos has been blown to atoms in the Black sea by a Macedonian bomb. The Pyrgos carried a crew of twenty-three.

Sir Charles Elliot, the high commissioner for East Africa, is said to have reported strongly against the British government's project of a Zionist colony in the East African protectorate.

A large four-masted schooner foundered near Southeast lighthouse in Rhode Island. No trace of the crew has been found. It is believed the vessel was run into and sunk during the fog.

The final session of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, which had been in convention in New York for several days, was held Friday. Baltimore was selected as the place for the next national convention.

At Vinton, Ia., the two-story brick building occupied by Quinn's grocery store partly collapsed, killing William Johnson, a laborer, and injuring five painters. An iron corner support gave way while the building was being repaired.

There is a movement on foot to have New Mexico agree to join Arizona for single statehood. The effort will be to join the two territories into one state. Delegate Smith of Arizona has consented. The plan is to present congress with a petition asking that this be done.

Franklin Farrel, Jr., a Yale graduate and the heir to a fortune estimated at \$3,000,000 has entered the employ of his father's iron foundry in Ansonia as a toolmaker's apprentice. He is working ten hours a day at a grindstone, learning to sharpen tools for the machinists.

The Pittsburg Dispatch is authority for the statement that President Theodore Shafter of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers is missing mysteriously. He started for Cleveland to attend a meeting of the sheet metal workers, and has not been seen since.

Commencing Monday morning and continuing for one week, not less than 300,000 spindles, one-third the entire number in Fall River, Mass., will be idle, throwing into idleness 12,000 operatives, who will lose \$44,900 in wages, and is due to the depressed condition of cotton.

The ministry of the interior has directed the police president of Berlin to organize special police, in plain clothes, to protect women and girls from the attentions of men on the streets. These daylight insults are probably practiced more in Berlin than in any other Continental city.

Figures compiled from records by the local internal revenue officers show that the sweet wine output for Southern California for the season of 1903 will exceed 1,200,000 gallons. The output of brandy is estimated at 40,000 gallons tax-paid, and 250,000 gallons free of tax for fortifying purposes.

A special from Bristol, Tenn., says: Miss Cloyetta Brownlow, daughter of Congressman W. P. Brownlow of Jonesboro, Tenn., eloped with Mark E. Pritchett, a liverman of Jonesboro, and they were married at Bristol. The attentions of Pritchett to Miss Brownlow are said to have been opposed by the congressman.

The comptroller of the currency has received a report from the receiver of the Grossbeck National bank of Groesbeck, Tex., giving the total liabilities of the bank at \$165,159, and the estimated value of the assets at \$144,691, showing a deficiency of \$20,468.

In reply to a question regarding his reported intention to retire from the leadership of the Liberal party in the British house of commons, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman telegraphs that there is "no truth whatever" in the report.

San Miguel, the oldest town in Mexico and the spot where Cortez landed and established headquarters, was swept away by a hurricane.

Probate has been granted in London for the late James McNeill Whistler's estate, valued at \$50,000.

Alleging that it gives foreigners the benefit of German knowledge the papers are trying to get the government to limit the number of foreign students at the universities.

A Missouri professor says alfalfa will grow on Missouri soil. Mrs. W. J. Bryan says there is no truth in the rumor that Captain R. H. Hobson and Miss Ruth Bryan are engaged to be married. This is in denial of a report to that effect from Wayneville, Pa.

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