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NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

INTELLIGENCE HERE GATHERED COVERS WIDE AREA.

GREATER OR LESSER IMPORT

Includes What Is Going On at Washington and in Other Sections of the Country.

Washington.

As soon as the reciprocity measure is out of the way congress, it is thought will hurry away from Washington by adjourning until December.

Speaker Champ Clark issued a defi to the administration a few days ago on learning of reports that President Taft purposed to veto any general tariff legislation at the extra session of congress. The speaker in a formal statement declared that the whole tariff ought to be revised and that the democratic party would rest its case with the country.

A famine of silver coins is threatened in the north Pacific state, and banks in Oregon, Washington and Montana, are appealing to the treasury department to ship dimes, quarters and half dollars to relieve the situation. Congress has made no appropriation for transporting the coin and treasury officials say they cannot come to the relief until congress takes some action.

Western South Dakota, where winter wheat has been grown in several places without uniform success, can be converted into a winter wheat growing section, announced a report of Cecil Salmon, plant physiologist of the depart of agriculture today. The report pointed out that Wyoming and Montana, where the soil and climate are very similar, produced 7,250,000 bushels last season.

Means for the prevention of fraud or corruption in the election of representatives to congress were proposed in two bills introduced by Representative Powers of Kentucky. In one bill Mr. Powers proposes a fine of from $1,000 to $3,000 or from one to three years' imprisonment for intimidation of voters at any primary or general election, for the use of money or for threats in securing votes. A second bill provides that there be created a commission of the house of representatives consisting of three civilians, to investigate all elections.

General.

The celebration of the Fourth in the big cities was along the line of sanity.

The election of Senator Stephenson of Wisconsin, may undergo investigation.

Twelve masked men held up an Erie train and fatally shot one of the mail clerks.

Commissioner Quezon made a plea at New York for the independence of the Philippines.

Congressman Henry of Texas delivered a philipic on Americans who bow to European royalty.

The plucking board" has announced the names of naval captains selected for compusoly retirement.

Former Chief of Police Charles W. Wappenstein of Seattle was found guilty of accepting a bribe

President Taft made peace the central thought in a number of speeches he delivered on the way west.

President Taft, in his speech at Indianapolis, devoted himself to the question of Canadian reciprocity.

Leslie Miller, who lived near New Hampton, Ia., murdered his wife and two of his five children and then committed suicide.

Juarez custom house officials who succeeded the former officials have been notified by telegraph from Ernesto Madero that they may hold their places.

Without recovering consciousness, Mrs. James S. Butler of New Orleans, wife of a wealthy cotton planter, died in the New York hospital following a stroke of appoplexy.

Orders were issued by the interstate commerce commission suspending until October 28 next, the proposed tariffs of transcontinental railroads changing the regulations and practices with regard to pre-cooling and preicing citrus fruit shipped from California to Eastern destinations.

Targets for the aeroplane practice of the Atlantic fleet and the sea forts during the August maneuvers will consist of sheets of canvas shaped to simulate dirigible balloons and aeroplanes. These will be suspended from batteries of powerful box kites, just as large American flags are often carried hundreds of feet in the air.

Bob Burman, of New York, driving his 200-horse-power "Blitzen" Benz, set a new world's record for the mile. With a flying start he covered the mile track at Brighton Beach in 48.72 seconds. The previous record was 48.92 seconds.

It was reported that within a short time plans for reorganizing the Standard Oil company of New Jersey will be announced. The company, it is said, will undergo complete disintegration and all subsidiaries that are charged with having combined and conspired to monopolize the oil business will operate separately.

The date of the departure of Emperor William for his Norwegian trip has not been definitely settled.

Using a pick and crowbar to pry open a vault robbers broke into the State bank of Byars, Okla., obtained $4,000 and escaped.

The Manufacturers' Railway company of St. Louis, is a common carrier, and payment to it of a reasonable portion of the St. Louis rates for the terminal switching services rendered by it is not unlawful. A decision to this effect was handed down by the interstate commerce commission.

There was a general observance of the Fourt at European capitals.

The 4th of July was celebrated in many sections of the old country.

Two were killed and fourteen injured in auto wrecks near Pittsburg Sunday.

The mining town of Kaylor, Pa. was practically wiped out by fire.

Pittsburg was selected as the next meeting place of the American institute of homeopathy.

Senator Bristow says congress cannot adjourn until free list articles have run their length.

Many department officers believe an examination will disclose the Maine was wrecked from without.

Congressman Norris of Nebraska charges there is a conspiracy at Washington against the progressives.

More than 2,500 engineers of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad were granted an increase in wages of about 6 per cent.

Crazed by heat which prevailed there, Mrs. McCrary, of Lockney, Texas, killed her three children and ended her own life.

John McNarrey, chief of the Kansas City, Kas., fire department, was dangerously injured when he fell through the floor of a burning house in that city.

Samuel Wellman of Omaha, Neb., journeying in company with his daughter from Pittsfield, Mass., to New York, dropped dead at Dunbury, Conn.

Two hundred persons were wounded in an election riot at Kalusz, Eastern Galicia. It was necessary to call out the troops to put an end to the fighting.

The German cruiser Berlin will relieve the gunboat Panther at Agadin, Morocco. The Berlin is three times as large as the gunboat Panther.

Governor Shafroth of Colorado ordered out a company of militia at La Junta, Colo., to prevent the possible lynching of Ben Harris, the negro accused of killing Chief of Police Craig at Rocky Ford.

President Taft left Washington on Friday for his new cottage at Beverly, Mass. Mrs. Taft, Charlie Taft, Miss Delia Torrey, the president's aunt, of Milbury, Mass., and Major A. W. Butt accompanied him.

The state health department of Oklahoma has decreed that artificial buttermilk must go. The sale of this kind of buttermilk is said to be a common practice in some of the cities of the state.

President Jara of Uruguay, who a few months ago seized the presidency through a bloodless revolution, has now assumed a dictatorship and declared martial law according to a telegram to the state department.

William J. Handke, north of Atchison, finished threashing wheat from an eleven-acre field and the yield promises to be the high record for Kansas this year, being 556 bushels, an average of 51½ bushels an acre.

Speaker Champ Clark is losing $1,000 a week, it is said, because congress is remaining in session at a time when he expected it to have adjourned. The speaker had a contract with a Chicago lecture bureau to take the platform on July 1.

President Taft sent to congress a special commission's report recommending the acceptance of a gift of 5,000 acres of land near Tullahoma, Tenn., and the purchase of 35,000 acres nearby at $12.50 per acre for a permanent maneuver.

The Japanese naval hero, Admiral Togo, hero of the battle of the sea of Japan, will have no difficulty in viewing every thing he cares to see in the New York navy yard or any other naval establishment. It is expected he will board the battleship Florida now nearing completion.

The house of lords, by a vote of 253 to 46, passed Lord Lansdowne's amendment to exclude home rule from the operation of the veto bill. War Secretary Haldane made it clear that the government would refuse to accept the amendment.

No less than 63,000,000 barrels of beer were sold in the United States during the 12 months ending June 30 last, or an increase over the previous 12 months of 6.21 per cent, according to the annual report of the beer and whiskey sales made public by the United States brewers' association.

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Fire resulting from the explosion of a large firecracker in the Matt Donovan ice house at Bernard, Ia., caused a loss of more than $50,000, the ice house, elevator, a lumber yard, general store and a number of residences were totally destroyed. It was several hours before the flames were gotten under control.

Heat has caused a slump in trade, but conditions generally are good.

Steam railroads operating in Iowa increased their gross earnings practically $6,000,000 during the year 1910, according to a statement issued by the state executive council.

Democratic members of the ways and means committee held a brief preliminary meeting and planned work on the cotton tariff schedule revision.

Personal.

The mother of Congressman Maguire of Nebraska died last week.

It is reported that Cip Castro has landed in disguise in Venezuela.

Wolgast knocked out Moran in the thirteenth round at San Francisco.

The first ruling in the Los Angeles dynamite cases were favorable to the prosecution.

President Taft is about to withdraw troops from Texas.

A majority of the insurgent senators are willing to pass the reciprocity bill and adjourn.

Senators not on the committee are anxious to hear the testimony in the Lorimer investigation.

Archbishop Dennis O'Connor, of the Roman Catholic diocese of Toronto, died of Bright's disease.

General Ramsay D. Potts, of Fort Leavenworth, has taken command of the newly created Central division of the United States army, with headquarters in Chicago.

A VERY BUSY WEEK

SENATE TO CLEAR WAY FOR RECIPROCITY VOTE.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSIDER

La Follette Has a Number of Proposals and Will Probably Do Considerable Talking.

Washington.—A lively clearing of the way for the passage of the unamended Canadian reciprocity bill by the voting down of the Cummins and Simmons amendments, and continued discussion and action on other provisions in connection with the bill will keep the senate busy all week, while the house, which will meet on Wednesday, and quickly adjourn until Saturday, will be active only in its committees.

The amendments proposed by Senator Cummins of Iowa, insurgent republican, which would add steel, iron, coal, lumber, wool, cotton and other products to the free list, and the amendments proposed by Senator Simmons of North Carolina, democrat, are somewhat similar in nature.

These are expected to be bowled over, which, under the agreement for a vote then, might extend the day into the night or over one recess after another for several calendar days, if necessary. After the voting on these amendments, the senate will proceed with the consideration of the reciprocity bill, and amendments by Senator La Follette and others will be put before that body for action.

The proceedings will begin with a set speech by Senator Simmons in support of his own and Senator Cummins' amendments, followed by roll calls on the amendments. The bugaboo of a filibuster practically has been raised and friends of reciprocity will watch for attempts to intersperse with speechmaking, in which they will interrupt the institution of a filibuster.

Dilatory tactics will be met with such acts of coercion as the majority might decide would expediate business. Mr. Cummins has indicated that he will ask for separate votes on all his amendments, and has said he would demand at least a dozen roll calls. Mr. Simmons will not be so insistent.

Senator La Follette said he probably would present amendments on Monday or Tuesday. As soon as they are printed he will take the floor and probably will speak for the greater part of several days in explanation and advocacy of them.

The prevailing opinion is that with the reciprocity bill out of the way, final adjournment soon will follow.

Wiped Out by Fire.

Ottawa, Ont.—Two-thirds of Eganville, Ont., sixty miles west of here, was wiped out by a fire of unknown origin.

Killed on Way to Game.

Barboursville, Ky.—One man was killed and one fatally injured when lightning struck a carryall filled with persons going to a base ball game.

Big Lockout in Sweden.

Stockholm.—Forty thousand building workmen in Sweden, who have rejected the state arbitrator's award in the labor dispute, will be locked out.

Aviators Start on Race.

Halberstadt, Prussian Saxony. — The aviators in the German circuit races started from here for Berlin. They ascended at intervals of three minutes.

Ninth Cavalry Leaves.

San Antonio, Tex.—The last section of the Ninth United States cavalry left the maneuvers' camp at 6:30 o'clock Sunday night for Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo. The Fourth Field artillery is ordered to leave Monday.

Raise for Rural Carriers.

Washington.—The 40,000 odd rural free delivery carriers in the United States are to receive a salary increase as a result of a decision reached by Postmaster General Hitchcock. The order will provide for the disbursement during the current fiscal year of $4,000,000.

Robert P. Neil is Arrested.

Boston.—Robert P. Neil, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Employes, was arrested on a charge of using the United States mails to defraud. It is alleged that Neil on December 1, 1910, issued circulars soliciting advertisements for a magazine, the proceeds of which were to be used for death and sick benefits for railroad men, and that the funds received were diverted to Neil's own uses.

Conditions in Mexico.

Washington.—Conditions in Mexico are rapidly assuming a normal and healthy state, according to advices received at the Mexican ambassy here, which on Saturday made public the following telegram from Bartolome Carbajal, acting secretary of foreign affairs. "The condition in Mexico is much improved. The disbanding of the revolutionary forces is going on rapidly and we hope it will be completed soon. The economic condition of the country is excellent.

Prince Henry on Tour.

Southampton. — Prince Henry of Prussia, with a party of motorists who are competing in the annual Prince Henry automobile endurance tour, landed here Sunday from the steamship Grosser Kurfurst. They will continue the tour Monday with a run to Oxford. The endurance tour started from Homberg on July 5. A stop was made at Cologne and from there the course followed a devious way through Germany to Hamburg. The automobiles were then shipped on the Grosser Kurfurst.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

News Notes of Interest from Various Sections.

Threshing in York county shows a very good yield.

Elkhorn, Douglas county, had quite a serious fire on July 4th.

August 2d Omaha will again vote on the water works bond question.

Some heat prostrations are reported here and there, mostly in the towns and cities.

Some good rains fell in the first week of July, but for most part Nebraska needs moisture.

Seven teams contested in the base ball tournament at Scottsbluff, which was to decide the championship of the North Platte valley.

Jack Roach, a young plasterer and bricklayer of Ainsworth, was killed by a passenger train about a mile and a half from Long Pine.

The toll keeper on the Union Pacific bridge at Omaha has mysteriously disappeared, and it is feared he has been murdered and his body thrown into the river.

A livery barn belonging to William Sloan at Wilcox was burned. No horses were in the barn at the time. It is believed that the blaze started from the smoking of pipes in the hayloft by tramps.

George Manscher, aged 19 years, of Walthill, was drowned while swimming in the Sioux river at Riverside park, Iowa. Manscher went into the water against advice of physicians. Over exertion was responsible for his death.

State Treasurer George has received and paid for Beaver City water bonds amounting to $7,000; Chadron school district bonds, $20,000; city of Crawford water bonds, $24,000; school district No. 11, Antelope county, $20,000. Burt county has paid the state $20,000 on bonds due. Gage county has paid off $6,000 and Cedar county has paid $3,000 for bonds which were due and held by the state as an investment.

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John Crawford, a former Wymore resident, who broke jail at Monmouth, Ill., after being arrested on the charge of bank robbery, was arrested at Reno, Nev., and taken back to Monmouth. Crawford, it is thought, figured in the Kansas robberies last winter and it is believed to be the fellow who sold a touring car to H. H. Hoerr, the Wymore man who is serving two years in the penitentiary for bank robbery.

A. V. Brown, J. W. Pickens of Hastings and B. H. Begole of Beatrice, called at the office of the attorney general to confer with that official in regard to the enforcement of the anti-trading stamp law. They are merchants who organized a trading stamp company of their own to compete with the large trading stamp companies, but when the new state law was passed they obeyed it and quit business, but they allege that the large trading stamp companies have continued and are reaping benefits contrary to law.

At the Nebraska stockgrowers convention in Alliance the address of welcome by Postmaster Tash of Alliance was responded to by Fred L. Wright, of Gering. R. L. Tomlinson, inspector of brands at South Omaha, reported the number of cattle held up there and the money going to the real owner. Willis E. Reed, candidate for United States senator, gave a short address on the transportation of live stock, advocating the creation of a court having jurisdiction of both state and interstate transportation.

A Shubert dispatch says that in addition to the drouth the grasshoppers are especially plentiful and are becoming very destructive. Usually the spring rains destroy a large number of the grasshoppers when they are just commencing to grow, but this year the infrequency of the rains and the protracted drouth has favored their growth. Frank Parriott, living about a mile from Shubert, reports that they have stripped ten acres of his corn. John Weddle, Morg Williams and others are reporting minor damages.

Artificial adornment in the shape of puffs and "rats" saved Mrs. Claud Lizer of Wymore from serious burns on the night of the Fourth in that place. She and her husband were conducting a refreshment tent when fireworks ignited the gasoline lamp tank in the tent. The tank exploded and the blazing oil dropped fairly upon the head of Mrs. Lizer, instantly setting her hair ablaze. A bystander pulled the false hair off her head and put out the small blaze which had seized upon her natural hair, before she had received any serious burns.

At a special election election at Upland water works bonds carried, by a vote of 76 to 34. There was a big celebration and display of fireworks at night.

Under the new automobile law, now operative, owners of machines will be required to take out their licenses in the county in which the car is owned. The annual fee will be $2 instead of $1 as has maintained heretofore. The license fee must be paid to the county treasurer, who will issue a receipt for the money. The treasurer will notify the state office in Lincoln, whence a license will be issued.

While returning to his house, six miles southwest of Seward, with a load of coal, Adam Grab fell from the seat and broke his neck. Grab was a bachelor, 45 years of age, and had resided there about 20 years.

Judge T. C. Munger filed a restraining order against Governor C. H. Aldrich and Attorney General Grant G. Martin, ordering them to temporarily desist from all attempts to enforce the anti-free gift law of the 1911 legislature against William Gold of Lincoln, the Sperry & Hutchinson company of New Jersey and the Magazine & Book company of New York.

Snakes in Prohibition Maine.

Snakes emptied two saloons in Portland of the crowds of customers a few evenings ago. A non-resident ordered a box of snakes sent to him from the south for the purpose of cleaning out a vast number of rats from his place. The snakes were given a chance to demonstrate their rat killing ability and the large snake destroyed 15 in a few minutes. The snakes were then taken to two different saloons and in a few minutes cleared them of the crowd—Kennebec Journal.

Would Try Another.

There was going to be a picnic that morning, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. The little boy prayed before he retired at night that it might be a fine day. And when he looked out of the window at the peep of dawn, it was raining.

In the evening, the little boy wouldn't say his prayers. "Mamma," he asked, as he was going to bed, "where do they sell idols? I want to get one to worship."

Feminine Reasoning.

Stella—Her gown is just like yours.

Bella—I don't care if hers is a duplicate of mine, but I don't want mine a duplicate of hers.—Puck.

The Humorous Hat.

"Has she any sense of humor?"

"I don't think so. She can look at her hat without laughing."—Lippincott's.

Romance is not altogether dead. Even the most hardened old bachelor has a withered flower somewhere in his possession.

Beauty is seldom completely satisfying. The birds that sing are not the ones that are good to eat.

If we really wish to be, we can be wanted in the world.—Roche.

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Manasseh's Wickedness and Penitence

Sunday School Lesson for July 16, 1911

Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT—II Chronicles 33:1-20.
MEMORY VERSES—12, 13.
GOLDEN TEXT—"Cease to do evil; learn to do well."—Isa. 1:16-17.

TIME—Manasseh reigned 55 years, from B. C. 694-640. He began in the 239th year of the kingdom of Judah.

PLACE—Judah and Jerusalem its capital. Manasseh was carried captive to Babylon for a time.

The Kingdom of Israel had been destroyed a quarter of a century before Manasseh began to reign.

The teacher of boys or girls may begin by asking what a lighthouse is for, or a foghorn, or bell buoy in the harbor. Is it to tell the sailors where to go? No, it is to tell them where not to go. Why are stories of bad men told in the Bible, such as the one in this lesson? They are a warning. They are pictures of a character that repels us, that urges us not to enter any path that leads to that end.

During the long reign of Manasseh Jerusalem was at peace while the neighboring lands were harried by Assyrian armies, so that Jerusalem had a large share of the trade of Palestine. The king and his subjects benefited in many ways from the immense increase of traffic caused by the inclusion of Egypt and western Asia under one empire. The political rank of Jerusalem secured to her the chief markets of the internal commerce of Judah, as well as the gifts which it was customary for foreign traders to leave with the lords of the territories they visited; and thus in spite of the disadvantages of its site, the city must have become a considerable emporium.

Manasseh was the son and heir of Hezekiah, a great, and, on the whole, good king. His mother's name was Hepsibah, the delight of her husband. He was only twelve years old when he began to reign in form. But in Judah a king was not supposed to be of age until he was eighteen. For six years Manasseh must have been to a great extent under the influence of his regents and counselors. He was the sixteenth king of Judah. He reigned fifty and five years. The longest reign in the history of Judah and Israel. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord. Manasseh was king of the Lord's people, and his business was to carry out God's plan of a peculiar people who should teach the nations righteousness, and the true way of living.

He was a mere boy, unable at first to assert himself as a ruler. He doubtless was waited on, petted, flattered, courted, treated as a superior being, whose will should never be checked, nor fancy thwarted; with no regular business, no hard tasks. What Manasseh did was popular and fashionable; following the ways of the greatest, most cultured, most influential nation in the world, then the master of Judah. The people were doing business with the Assyrians. Trade demanded conformity. Society was dominated by Assyrian influences. Moreover, many doubtless used the same argument Rabshakeh used to Hezekiah that the prosperity under heathen gods, and their conquering power proved that these gods were mightier than Jehovah the God of the little Province of Judah. (And yet the Assyrians were really near to destruction since their capital Nineveh was swept out of existence in 606 B. C.)

Mannasseh degraded true religion that was meant for the comfort and elevation of man, by leading his people away from the one true God, the only source of help, into all manner of useless, irrational, degrading enchantments by which the people sought for guidance and help. Thus these practices were treason and disloyalty.

The Lord spake to Manasseh, by means of the prophets, of whom Nahum may have been one; by means of his conscience, by the example of his father, by means of his conscience, by the written word, by providence. It is not known just when Manasseh was made to pay the penalty of his sins, but it must have been after many years of idolatry.

Wherefore the Lord brought upon them the captains of the host of the king of Assyria and Manasseh was made captive. The records of Assurbanipal record a review of the 22 kings of whom Manasseh was one apparently at Nineveh. Which took Manasseh among the thorns, "in chains," margin, "with hooks." "Assyrian kings sometimes thrust a hook into the nostrils of their captives, and so led them about.

He had been sailing down the Niagara rapids carelessly, and now he feels the tossing of the waves, the current swiftly flowing by the rocks, he sees spray over the cataract, and hears its roar. Why? In order that he may stop ere it is too late. The bitter fruits of his wrong doing wrought the desired effect. The prodigal came to himself. He besought the Lord, Jehovah, not the heathen gods he had been worshiping, who failed him in his trouble.

Dr. John Todd once represented the judgment day as our coming into a great hall whose walls were hung with pictures on which were painted all the sins that we have ever committed. On one picture are painted all the bad words that we have ever spoken; on another all the jealousies we have ever felt; on another all the covetings of our hearts, all the wrong bargains we have ever made, all the unkindness to our parents and friends of which we have ever been guilty, all our prayerless mornings and evenings, all our neglect of God's word, all our ingratitude towards our heavenly Father and our hard feelings towards him, all our abuse of the Sabbath and the means of grace, all our neglect of the Saviour and our grieving away the Holy Spirit. What pictures would our sins—open sins, secret sins, heart sins, and life-long sins—make! What a terrible hall that would be!

God showed Manasseh clearly that he forgave him, by the fact that he brought him again to Jerusalem. We do not know how he influenced the king to restore him. Such pardon from a king of Assyria was rare, but not unparalleled. Pharaoh Necho I. was taken in chains to Nineveh, and afterwards set free.

SHE WAS WISE.

He—Ah, sweetheart, I love you more than all my wealth.

She—Yes, but you only get ten a week.

Easily in the Lead.

Louise Jennings, Elise Hathaway and Florence Brintnall are three schoolmates whose indulgent parents provided a picnic for each of them, giving carte blanche as to the number of their guests and the manner of entertainment on the beach. Three parties in ten days means a lot to young ladies of the tender age of eight. But they recovered quickly enough from the fatigue. Followed comparison:

"I think," said Lou, "ours was a very nice party. And we had ice cream twice, if you remember."

"Oh, I don't know," quoth Elise—she insists upon being called by her full name and will answer to no other—"I notice all my guests rode 'round on the carrousel as often as they wanted."

"I'm sure my party was the best of all," spoke up Flo. "Father says every d——d kid in town was there."

Answering the Dean.

The man who Thackeray calls "the greatest wit of all time"—Dean Swift of St. Patrick's cathedral, Dublin—was as ready to take as to make a retort.

"Why don't you doff your hat to me?" he asked a small boy who was coaxing along an obstreperous goat.

"I will," said the lad, "if your honor will hold the goat's horns!" an answer which delighted the dean.—Youth's Companion.

No Wedding Day Bargain.

The Husband (during the quarrel)—You're always making bargains. Was there ever a time when you didn't?

The Wife—Yes, sir; on my wedding day.

Adam Was Grouchy.

The Serpent—What's Adam so grouchy about today?

The Ape—Oh, he says that the arrival of woman means that all his plans for universal peace have been knocked in the head for good.—Puck.