

KAISER WILHELM THE GREAT

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Missouri Farmer Nearly Esterminates His Wife's Family.

RICHMOND, Mo., March 21.—A tragedy resulting in the death of a member of one family is reported from Grick, a small village thirty-five miles southwest of here. B. Rainwater, a farmer, shot and killed his wife, his mother-in-law, Mrs. William Artman, his brother-in-law, John Artman, and his little stepdaughter, Fannie Gentry. Then, after so nearly exterminating the whole family, he turned the barrel of his rifle on his own head, dying instantly.

The tragedy occurred before midnight last night at the home of William Artman, sr., father-in-law of the murderer. The two families lived a quarter of a mile apart, on the bank of the Missouri river, three miles from Grick. As it was the night of the moon, taken sick and sent for her daughter to come and stay with her.

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Rumor Current in Athens of an Offer to Purchase the Island.

COLONEL VASSOS IS WELL SUPPLIED

Greek Camp is Amply Provided with All the Necessaries—France Supports Proposal to Make Prince George Governor.

ATHENS, March 22.—It is rumored here that the Greek government has offered to purchase the island of Crete, and that a gentleman known to be closely connected with the palace party at Constantinople visited General Vassos, who is the guide of a tourist, charged with secret instructions on the subject.

Two Greek officers have arrived here from the camp of Colonel Vassos. They report that he is amply provided with all necessities. Another Greek officer writes concerning the Turks trying to dynamite the church at Platina, when the Greek officers and Crean soldiers were attending mass for the dead.

GALE BLOWS IN THE AEGEAN SEA. Elements Render the Blockade of Greek Ports a Difficult Task. LONDON, March 21.—The Athens correspondent of the Times says a strong gale is blowing across the Aegean sea, which will make the blockade exceedingly difficult. It is reported the admirals purposely refrained from interfering with vessels which have recently landed provisions in Crete, one having discharged the cargo at Akrotiri almost under the eyes of the admirals.

TALK OF RETALIATORY DUTIES. Canadians Look on the Dingy Bill as a Chinese Tariff Wall. MONTREAL, Que., March 21.—Since the provisions of the tariff act were announced it has been contended that here, and the consensus of opinion seems to be that it is hostile to the interests of Canada. The lumber trade has been mostly to the front, and there has been a general demand for an export duty on saw logs and all kinds of pulp wood.

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NICE GORGES HOLD FIRM YET

Missouri's Channel Completely Blocked on Both Sides of Yankton.

NO INDICATION OF THEIR BREAKING UP

Piles of Ice Twelve Feet High Visible from the Bluffs—Bottom Lands Flooded Everywhere—Rain Swells the Torrents.

YANKTON, S. D., March 21.—(Special Telegram.)—The gorges in the Missouri river at this point are still firm. The gorge above and is at the foot of what is known as Ambrose island, the largest island in the Missouri. The ice is piled about twelve feet high. The gorge below has not yet been broken up, and is supposed to be in one of the large bluffs. The ice north of Yankton is tied up generally by the floods, and railroad service is badly demoralized.

GREEKS IN THE ISLANDS ARE ARMING. LONDON, March 21.—A dispatch from Constantinople to the Daily Mail says the Greeks in all the islands of the archipelago are arming, drilling and preparing to revolt against the Turkish government.

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FAVOR PURCHASE OF CUBA

Many Spanish Residents Realize the Impotency of Spain.

BELIEVE ISLAND IS LOST TO THE CROWN

Think Purchase is the Best Way Out of the Dilemma—But Few Found Who Oppose This Course.

HAVANA, March 17.—(Special Telegram.)—Only a few of the more excitable Spanish residents refuse to admit that Cuba is lost to the crown. The resident Spaniards confess they can see no other outcome. In fact, evidence that Cuba may in the end be freed by Spanish residents themselves are many and strong. The calmest minds predict the end of Spanish rule within two years.

WYELER IS NOT VERY WELL. Captain General is Having a Bad Time with His Throat. HAVANA, March 21.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—General Weyler has been very sick. One night recently his condition was so critical three doctors were called in. He is now recovering, but is still far from well. He first had trouble in one ear; it appeared in his throat, and then in his chest. He still breathes with difficulty, and his illness has been kept very quiet, and he has managed to drive out regularly as usual.

SOLDIERS ASSAULT A WOMAN. Dastardly Conduct of Members of the Spanish Army in Cuba. HAVANA, March 21.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—An American citizen, native born, writes me from the interior:

INQUIRY INTO DR. RUIZ'S DEATH. Investigation Is to Be Begun Soon and Will Be Thorough and Fair. WASHINGTON, March 21.—It is expected by the State department officials that the inquiry to be conducted into the causes leading up to the death of Dr. Ruiz, a United American in a Cuban prison, will soon be commenced. The investigation will be conducted in Havana or in the place where Ruiz was imprisoned, and Consul General Leizaola will be present in person, or will be represented by some one to look after the interests of the family of Dr. Ruiz.

BOYS SENT BACK FROM CUBA. HAVANA (via Key West), March 21.—In addition to the lad Nelson, several other American boys have arrived at Havana within the last few days, with the intention of joining the insurgent army, but the advice given them is to return to the United States. The boy Robert Emmet Scully of Sumnerville, N. Y., who was sent to New York at the request of his family and of the American State department.

CHARLES SCOTT IS SET AT LIBERTY. HAVANA, March 21.—Charles Scott, the American, against whom the military court at Guanabacoa preferred charges, which were subsequently dismissed, was released today. He will probably leave for the United States on Wednesday next.

CLEVELAND IN CHURCH AT PRINCETON. PRINCETON, N. J., March 21.—Ex-President Cleveland's first Sunday at Princeton was spent in quiet. Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland attended morning services at the Church of the Holy Trinity, where they were met by Rev. Dr. Richards of Plainfield, N. J., leading the service. During the afternoon they strolled about the picturesque neighborhood where, during the revolutionary war, the famous battle of Princeton was fought, and did not return in time for church. The children were taken by their nurse for a short drive.

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Turks Have Been Killed. CONSTANTINOPLE, March 21.—Reports have been received here of very serious disorders at Tokat, in the Sivas district of Asia Minor. It is said that many Armenians and Turks have been killed. As yet there are no details as to the exact cause of the outbreak.

FURNISH MONEY FOR WAR SHIPS

Syndicate Formed in Berlin to Build the Vessels for the Kaiser. BERLIN, March 22.—It is reported that a syndicate with a capital of 100,000,000 marks has undertaken to employ Herr Krupp, the great gunmaker, to build the war ships which the Reichstag refuses and that they will be placed at the disposal of the government when the Reichstag, from time to time, votes the money for them in coming years.

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VICTORY FOR SPANISH ARMY. MONTVIDEO, March 22.—It is officially announced that the government forces have defeated the insurgents in a battle near Malo, killing Chief Chiquito Garcia. It is announced that the insurgents lost 600 killed and wounded.

HEAVY SNOWFALL IN THE STATE. March Storm Puts Ground in Good Shape for Spring Work. KEARNEY, Neb., March 21.—(Special Telegram.)—Snow commenced falling here soon after midnight last night, and has kept up steadily for the past eighteen hours, making about eighteen inches on the level. The snow has been heavy, however, and it will put the ground in better shape for spring work than it has been for some time.

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