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ON TO BOER CAPITAL

Lord Roberts' Forces Continue Pressing On Toward Pretoria.

TO CROSS THE VAAL TODAY OR SUNDAY

British Outposts Were Twenty-Six Miles from the River Thursday.

BOERS' MOVEMENTS VEILED IN MYSTERY

Embargo on News from Oom Paul's Country Still Continues.

ONLY INFORMATION BY WORD OF MOUTH

Oral Reports Are that Burghers Are Quarreling Among Themselves—Fortifications Being Made Ready to Receive General Buller.

LONDON, May 26.—3:30 a. m.—The latest intelligence from Lord Roberts' headquarters at Vredefort station, filed Thursday, 5:45 p. m., was that the British were rapidly advancing. General Hamilton had effected a junction with Lord Roberts. The country in front of them was clear of Boers to Viljoen's drift. The Boers were evacuating all their positions south of the Vaal river and 5,000 had already crossed to the north bank. Probably General French's cavalry is already reconnoitering the fords of the Vaal.

The War office observers expect that the next dispatch from the field marshal will be dated in sight of the Transvaal frontier. Bennett Burleigh, writing to the Daily Telegraph from Vredefort, Thursday morning, said Lord Roberts would doubtless cross the Vaal river on Saturday or Sunday. The British outposts were then at Erste Geluk, nine miles north of Vredefort and twenty-six miles south of the Vaal river. The railway is much damaged.

While the British in overwhelming force are thus rapidly approaching the Transvaal the movements of the Boers are enveloped in mystery. The last Pretoria newspaper to reach Lourenzo Marquez was a week old.

Everyone seeking to cross the Portuguese border from the Transvaal is searched for newspapers and letters. Dispatches and mail letters containing even harmless references to the war are suppressed. The only news that has emerged from the Transvaal during the last ten days has come by word of mouth.

According to these oral reports yesterday the Boers were quarreling among themselves. Transvaal paper money was circulating at 80 per cent discount. Becket's firm was giving £1 in gold for £5 in paper. Krouse & Klinke, the engineers who opposed the blowing up of the mines, have been dismissed. Commandante Schulte had been appointed to defend Johannesburg and all the British subjects had been turned out.

The Transvaalers fear that the British will blow up the bridge at Komatipoort, thus cutting off their supplies from Delagoa, and a commando of 500 is guarding the bridge against any such attempt by British raiders.

Pretoria Fears Joint Attack.

It is reasserted that President Kruger will retire to Lydenburg as soon as a battle is imminent at Johannesburg and Pretoria. Concern is expressed at Pretoria with reference to the possibility that General Carrington may come down from Rhodesia with 5,000 men to co-operate with as many more entering the Transvaal by way of Mafeking. Horse sickness is said to have broken out among General Carrington's animals.

Steyn and Free Staters.

Two thousand Boers are near Ficksburg, besides small roving parties that come into contact with the British while reconnoitering. President Steyn was with these Boers last Monday organizing and inspiriting them and drafting recalcitrants into the service.

The British are sweeping the country far and wide, seizing horses, cattle and grain. Yesterday President Steyn was reported to be at Bethlehem with a small field force, appealing to the Free Staters to defend their freedom and independence. Apparently he and all the Free Staters he can assemble will not join the Transvaalers, but will remain in the northeastern section of the Free State. On Tuesday there was heavy cannonading at Mochenenz, near Bethlehem. The firing began at dusk. Why and with what result is not known at Mazer, Basutoland, where the news arrived yesterday.

Cecil Rhodes is at Beira, Portuguese East Africa. Fuller, a member of the Cape parliament, who is supposed to be a confidante of Rhodes, said in the course of a speech at Capetown yesterday, when proposing the health of Rhodes, that the latter was then working to consolidate South Africa from the Zambesi to Table Bay.

Baden-Powell declines to act at the suggestions of his friends that he should return to England for rest. He is determined to retain his active command at the front. Advices from Mafeking dated May 20 say:

"The Boers are entrenching at Polfontein, twenty miles east of Mafeking. The Northern railway is now repaired to a point within four miles of the town. Ample supplies of plain food are coming in. Colonel Baden-Powell voluntarily gave up fifty-three Boers and eleven wounded to the Boer commandant, who thanked him for his kindness.

"The Baratongs, stimulated by the British successes, attacked the rebel natives at Rietfontein May 19, and took much loot. They released Sani, the old chief who had rendered good service to the British in keeping Mafeking supplied with news of the Boer operations."

Ready to Greet Buller.

The Times has the following from Newcastle, dated Thursday: "The Boers are fortifying a very large semicircular position, extending from Majuba to Pongwana. Large numbers are busy intrenching and six guns are visible."

General Buller has communicated to the colonial government Colonel Bethune's report of the loss of the squadron of Bethune's horse in the ambush at Vryheid. The report says that "this regrettable affair was due to the impetuosity of Captain Goff, who was killed."

Lieutenant Roberts, a nephew of Lord Roberts, was accidentally shot through the right knee by a servant at Modder river Wednesday. His condition is not dangerous.

Leyds Calls Charges Nonsense.

LONDON, May 25.—In reply to a request of the Associated Press for a statement in reference to the allegations of the Daily Express of this city claiming to expose the use made by Dr. Leyds, the diplomatic agent of the Transvaal, of the Transvaal secret service fund, it being asserted that numerous continental newspapers were bribed, it has received the following statement signed by the legation at Brussels:

"Relative to the English reports, Dr. Leyds does not consider it necessary to say anything about such nonsense. In regard to the peace rumors and the possibilities of prolonging the struggle, he cannot express his opinion."

TALMAGE ON THE TROUBLE

Says the Anti-English Meetings in America Are Intended Solely to Harass the President.

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LONDON, May 25.—(New York World Cablegram.)—Rev. Dr. Talmage, to [illegible] the Chronicle representative, [illegible]'s attitude on the South African war [illegible] I have personally gathered from the president and cabinet that they have no intention whatever of interfering. Apart from every other consideration America at present has her hands full enough of her own troubles. Generally speaking the relations between England and America are what they ought to be—that of mother and daughter, and of a most cordial character. These anti-English meetings are organized for purely political reasons, the desire being to form a party hostile to the president. The latter, however, is such a good, honest man that I feel sure he will be re-elected as certainly as the sun rises. He is altogether an admirable man and his home life is the admiration of every true American. He will be re-elected on a platform of prosperity and no other plank will be required."

ENVOYS' TIME IS LIMITED

It Will Not Be Possible to Accept All of the Invitations Received.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The following statement was issued today by the Boer envoys, who are at present in this city:

Messrs. Fischer, Wessels and Woimarans, who are representing the South African republics in this country, have received many pressing invitations from most of the large cities of the United States to visit them, but owing to the short time they have to spend in this country it will not be possible to accept all of the invitations received. It is their intention to return as soon as circumstances permit to their own country, staying in Europe sufficient time to carry out their instructions, but before leaving they have concluded to yield to the great demand on the part of the American people to spend a few more days in America and they have concluded first of all to visit Baltimore, Philadelphia, Providence and Boston during next week. After visiting these cities they are in hopes of being able to spare the time to extend their visit to several cities in the middle states, timely notification of which will be given to the committees who have honored them with invitations. The common councils and mayors of a number of cities are urging them by resolutions to make them a visit and it may be possible that their stay in this country may be prolonged a few days to meet their wishes. The envoys regret exceedingly that they cannot meet the great number of people who are so anxious to greet them, as they would like to do. They express themselves as very grateful for the many expressions of sympathy heard on all sides of the cause that is so dear to them and they trust that the fact that they cannot visit all who wish them to do so will in no way interfere with the full and free expression of sympathy and goodwill on their part.

WAR CANDIDATES ARE SUCCESSFUL.

Majorities in Two Recent Elections for House of Commons.

LONDON, May 25.—The election for a member of the House of Commons to represent South Manchester was fought on a "khaki platform" and resulted in a very large increase of the unionist vote. William Peel, son of Viscount Peel, the unionist graduate, being engaged. The result of the vote was: Peel, 5,545; Leif Jones, radical and pro-Boer, 2,458. Unionist majority, 2,999. At the previous election the vote stood: Marquis of Lorne, liberal unionist, 5,447; Sir Henry Roscoe, home ruler, 4,379. Liberal unionist majority, 78.

South Manchester was undoubtedly a liberal district from 1885 to 1895, when the Marquis of Lorne was elected by a majority of only 78. The constituency was formerly represented by Sir Henry Roscoe, home ruler. Thus both in the isle of Wight, division of Hampshire, where Captain Seally, unionist, was elected by a majority of 1,002, and in South Manchester this week large majorities have been recorded for the war candidate. This will immensely strengthen the government in its determination to force a general election before the war fever abates.

MINIATURE FRANCO-ENGLISH WAR.

Troops Put Down Demonstrators on the Isle of Jersey.

LONDON, May 25.—Serious trouble is threatened between the British and French residents of St. Heliers, Island of Jersey, one of the channel groups, owing to the pro-Boer attitude of the latter. There have been several collisions and this morning the troops were compelled to charge with fixed bayonets to prevent the demonstrators from invading the French quarter. Thirty arrests were made.

The French consul has reported the situation to the British foreign office, with the result that the latter has wired to the governor, Lieutenant General Sir Hopton, who is personally responsible for the maintenance of order.

QUARTERS FOR COMMITTEE

Breidenthal Goes to Kansas City to Get Accommodation for the Populists.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 25.—John W. Breidenthal of Topeka, Kan., a member of the executive committee of the people's party, came here today to engage headquarters for the people's party national committee during the democratic convention. The committee will be in a position to confer with any committee of the silver republicans or the democratic national convention which may be appointed for that purpose. When asked if his party would ask that a conference committee be appointed to discuss candidates and the making of a platform with the democrats, Breidenthal said:

"There are a lot of democrats in the south and east who would resent any interference on our part with the deliberations of the democratic convention. They do not look at things exactly as western democrats do, and for that reason we will not take the initiative; but if the democrats want to confer with us we will be here. That is all I care to say about it."

Prohibitionists to Meet at Columbus.

COLUMBUS, O., May 25.—Rev. J. C. Halliday of Zanesville was made permanent chairman of the prohibition state convention today. F. L. McCartney of Columbus was elected secretary.

After a bitter contest the convention eliminated the expression that the party would wage war against the liquor traffic "in the name of Jesus Christ"—ministers of the gospel protesting against the use of the words.

Another plank that caused a warm debate was a denunciation of officeholders in Cuba and the Philippines as "boodlers." Columbus delegates opposed the expressions and the clause was stricken out.

The initiative and referendum offered by the committee on resolutions was also defeated. The woman suffrage plank carried by a fair majority.

J. Knox of Montgomery was nominated for secretary of state. J. L. Work of Cincinnati and Robert Candy of Columbus were nominated electors-at-large.

SUIT TO BREAK TOUSEY WILL

Mrs. Sarah B. Rohrer of Council Bluffs Goes Into Court.

WANTS HER SHARE OF MILLION DOLLARS

Charges that Her Relative, Mary Beach Tousey, Was Insane When She Left Fortune to Churches and Charity.

NEW YORK, May 25.—A year after its admission to probate the will of Mary Beach Tousey, leaving upward of $1,000,000 to churches and charity, has been attacked on the ground of fraud. Notice of contest was filed today by Mrs. Sarah B. Rohrer of Council Bluffs, Ia., the nearest living relative of Mrs. Tousey, who now claims the millions.

It was through the action of the counsel for the will that Mrs. Rohrer first learned about the document and took steps to contest it.

These attorneys discovered a few weeks ago that they had neglectd to serve notice on the heirs-at-law before having the will probated. They hastened to repair this error, and wrote to Mrs. Rohrer, citing her to show cause before the surrogate why the will should not be probated:

Mrs. Rohrer at once instituted an investigation. She engaged ex-Judge George M. Curtis to fight the will.

The bequests to churches and charities included St. Clement's church, New York, $10,000, as well as a large farm in Los Angeles county, California. In the papers it is charged that Mrs. Tousey was insane when she made the will. Fraud and undue influence are also charged, but no persons are named.

GAYNORS AS BAD AS NEELY

Federal Grand Jury in Georgia Recommends Law to Have Them Extradited.

AUGUSTA, Ga., May 25.—The grand jury of the United States district court, now in session with Judge Emory Speer on the bench, made the following presentment in reference to the celebrated case of the Greenes and Gaynors whom Judge Brown has refused to extradite from New York for trial before the United States court in this district:

"We have respectfully to present that while we approve the legislation of congress for the extradition for trial of those charged with crime, in other lands, we yet perceive dangerous inconsistency in its failure to enact the proposed legislation for the removal from one state to another of men indicted in our country for crimes committed against its laws.

"It seems commendable to extradite those accused of postal crimes in Cuba for trial in that country, but while the greatest haste is made in expediting the removal of American citizens for trial before a Spanish court, it seems impossible in view of the absence of the necessary legislation to remove men for trial charged with the crimes of the highest magnitude from one United States district to another.

"We recommend to our representatives in congress to do all in their power to cause the passage of the law proposed by the attorney general, which will have the effect of compelling judges of the United States courts to conform to the established practice in such matters. Surely it is no more important to remove for trial from New York to Cuba men who are charged with the peculation in the amount of $100,000 than it is to remove other men from New York to Georgia who are charged with the embezzlement of more than $2,000,000 of the government's money appropriated for the benefit of the people of this state and the south."

T. P. A. ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

Richmond Gets the Next Meeting and Omaha Secures Third Vice President.

NEW ORLEANS, May 25.—The National Travelers' Protective association spent the entire day in discussing constitutional amendments and balloting for officers. Richmond, Va., was chosen as the meeting place for the next annual convention, after a spirited contest in which Portland, Ore., was the principal opponent and in which Kansas City and Cincinnati figured as candidates.

The following officers were elected: E. C. Burrows, Peoria, Ill., president; M. D. Johnson, Philadelphia, first vice president; Robert M. Simons, Denver, Colo., second vice president; E. E. Drew, Omaha, Neb., third vice president; John B. Johnson, Racine, Wis., fourth vice president; A. C. McKay, Little Rock, Ark., fifth vice president.

Directors—John W. McDonald, St. Louis; C. S. E. Holland, Houston, Tex.; B. G. Thompson, Evansville, Ind. Chairman railroad committee—J. O. Stacy, Springfield, Ill. Chairman Press committee—W. A. Ryan, Terre Haute, Ind.

The delegates will tomorrow be taken for an excursion up the river to the Godchause plantation, one of the largest in the state.

THREE GET LIFE SENTENCES

Dallman, Walsh and Nolin, Welland Canal Conspirators, Are Convicted.

WELLAND, Ont., May 25.—Karl Dallman, residence unknown, John Walsh and John Nolin of Dublin, Ireland, but lately of Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Va., were today convicted by Chancellor Boyd and a jury for having attempted to wreck lock 24 of the Welland canal withh dynamite and sentenced to imprisonment for life in Kingston penitentiary.

The jury was out only five minutes. Neither of the accused made any remark on receiving sentence. No evidence was produced as to the motive of the men, although the crown claims that it was hatched by the Clan-na-Gael.

NO SUPPORT TO WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

General Assembly in the South Refuses to Endorse It.

ATLANTA, Ga., May 25.—The general assembly of the Presbyterian Church South today declined to give support to woman suffrage. After the devotional exercises Stated Clerk Alexander announced that he had on his desk "a very elaborate communication asking this body to extend moral support to woman suffrage."

Rev. Van Houten of Manchester, Va., said: "I move that it be thrown in the waste basket." No second.

A voice: "I move that it be not received."

The clerk stated that the paper was from the National Woman Suffrage association and signed by Susan B. Anthony. The motion to not receive the communication prevailed.

Want Headquarters in Ohio.

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 25.—The democratic state executive committee has recommended that Columbus, O., be selected as the location for the democratic national headquarters for the campaign of 1900.

MORE RIOTING IN ST. LOUIS

Over One Hundred Shots Fired in One Demonstration and a Policeman Wounded.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 25.—Sympathizers of the striking street car men were again the medium of a riotous demonstration today, and as a result another name was added to the large list of wounded. This afternoon as a car on the Jefferson avenue line running south approached Sullivan avenue it was attacked by a crowd of men and boys. Several shots were fired at the car. The policemen on board the car returned the fire and in all about 100 shots were exchanged.

Peter Wells, a patrolman who was riding on the front platform, was hit in the left armpit, the bullet producing an ugly wound. Wells remained on the car until it reached the Ninth district police station. He was taken to the College of Physicians and Surgeons, where his wound was dressed. It is not known who fired the shot, as the crowd scattered as soon as the car reached their position. It was rumored that two men in the crowd were shot, but they could not be found by the police. A riot call was sent in, but when the police arrived the crowd had dispersed.

The differences existing between the management of the St. Louis & Suburban Railway company and the union men in its employ were satisfactorily adjusted this afternoon and all danger of another strike has been averted.

At 6 a. m. an attempt was made by somebody, unknown, to blow up a car on the Spaulding avenue line of the St. Louis Transit company. The wheels of the first car out struck something that exploded with a loud noise and lifted the car two or three feet into the air. While the explosion startled residents for blocks around the vicinity, no damage was done and nobody was injured.

The injunction proceedings instituted by the federal authorities a week ago against W. D. Mahon, president of the International Association of Amalgamated Street Railway Employes, and others were continued in the United States circuit court today to June 6.

Ex-Governor Stone announced that he had been retained by the defendants on Thursday and consequently had not time to familiarize himself with the merits of the points at issue.

District Attorney Rozier asked leave to file a supplemental list of defendants to that which had already been submitted. The request was granted.

No Carpet Weavers' Strike.

PHILADELPHIA, May 25.—After a conference with the manufacturers the Ingrain Carpet Loom Fixers' and Weavers' union has decided not to insist upon the demand recently made on the manufacturers for an increase of 7 per cent in wages, to go into effect June 1. By this decision a strike of about 8,000 men is averted.

The manufacturers' pointed out that they are paying at present higher rates of wages than are paid in other cities and could not pay the advance. The employers recognized the right of the men to form unions.

Organizing Steel Workers.

INDIANAPOLIS, May 25.—Leaders of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers say they are determined to organize several large mills when the new scale is signed by the manufacturers. They say it is now time to [illegible] several mills, including the Braddock and Homestead plants of the Carnegie company, into line.

W. H. Evans, the suspended vice president of the Fifth district of Indiana, has not been reinstated.

It seems very probable that President Shaffer will be re-elected.

CHASE AFTER AGUINALDO

Battalion of Thirty-third Pursues Trail of Filipinos Across Difficult Country.

MANILA, May 25.—Major Peyton C. March, with a battalion of the Thirty-third infantry, and Colonel Luther R. Hare, with another part of the Thirty-third infantry, while scouring the country northeast of Benguet, report that they have struck the trail of a party of Filipinos traveling in the mountains and believe they are escorting Aguinaldo. Major March is continuing the pursuit across an exceedingly difficult country beyond the telegraph lines.

Sergeant Berry and four privates of Company B of the Twenty-seventh regiment have rescued the daughter of the president of San Mateo from some Ladrones who had abducted her. Afterwards twelve Ladrones ambushed them, killing the sergeant. Three privates stood off the band while the other secured reinforcements. Seven Ladrones were killed.

Lieutenant W. P. Elliott of the United States cruiser New Orleans died recently at Cavite of apoplexy, resulting from sunstroke.

MAY FIND THE BARS RAISED

Talk of Excluding Mullet and Fitzharris on Account of Conviction of Crimes.

NEW YORK, May 25.—No decision has been reached in the matter of admitting to this country Joseph Mullet and James Fitzharris, known as "Skin-the-Goat," the two ex-convicts who are due to arrive here tomorrow on the Lucania. Mullet and Fitzharris were convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment for complicity in the murder of Lord Frederick Cavendish and Mr. Burke, in Phoenix park, Dublin, on May 6, 1882, but were recently liberated. They are now on their way here and they expect to find friends and financial support in this country.

It is believed that the men should be excluded from this country under that part of the immigration law which bars persons who have been "convicted of a felony or other infamous crime or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude."

Edward F. McSweeney, assistant commissioner of immigration, said yesterday that the spirit and letter of the law would be faithfully followed. It is not yet certain, however, whether the men will be excluded or not, as it may be decided that they do not fall within the prohibition of the law.

No Statement from Price-McCormick.

NEW YORK, May 25.—It is improbable that the assignee of Price, McCormick & Co., the brokerage house which failed yesterday, will be able to issue a statement of the failure today. A force of expert accountants and clerks worked on the books the greater part of last night, and the indications are that it will be a day or two before a statement can be prepared for the creditors.

Theodore H. Price, the head of the collapsed firm, announced today that his marriage to Miss Eugenie Dyer, which was to have taken place on Monday next in the church of the Epiphany, will occur tomorrow at the bride's residence in this city. There will be no bridesmaids, no maids of honor and no guests. It was reported yesterday that the marriage would be indefinitely postponed because of the failure.

Towne Names Sergeant-at-Arms.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 25.—Chairman C. A. Towne announces that he has appointed J. C. Campbell of Los Angeles sergeant-at-arms for the national silver republican convention.

PUBLIC EMPLOYES IN CUBA

Citizens of the Island Are Engaged in the Several Departments.

ONLY A FEW AMERICANS HAVE PLACES

Actual Figures Show the Charge that a Horde of Yankee Carpetbaggers Has Overrun the Island is Incorrect.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—In connection with statements recently made in congress that there is a horde of American officeholders in Cuba, a few figures on the subject may be of interest. The principal offices in which Americans are employed under the military government are the division and department headquarters. In these offices Americans necessarily predominate, by reason of their knowledge and experience in handling military business. The principal officials in the offices of treasurer and auditor of the island are also necessarily Americans conversant with American administrative methods. In the executive departments, such as state and government, finance, etc., few if any Americans are employed. In addition to these offices Americans are employed in the engineer's department, postal department and customs service. The employes of all these offices aggregate 2,254, of which number only 378, or 16.8 per cent, are Americans. The judicial, penal and municipal machinery throughout the island is entirely in the hands of Cubans.

Charges that the customs branch of the government in Cuba will show as large peculations as have been unearthed in the postal service of the island are indignantly denied by War department officials, who court the fullest investigation.

Already machinery for a most searching inquiry has been started, and Senator Platt, chairman of the committee on Cuban affairs, proposes to go to the bottom of charges made of wrongdoing on the part of officials and to bring about their speedy punishment.

Customs Cheaply Collected.

It will be interesting to know that in the customs service, against which the last charges are brought, there are 515 Cubans, as against fifty Americans. Major Tasker H. Bliss of the regular army is in charge of this branch of the service in Cuba, and there is no man who stands higher in military affairs than does Major Bliss. His conduct of the office has placed him among the front rank of customs experts and he is so considered in the Treasury department. He has brought about reforms and has reduced the cost of the office to a lower degree than exists in the United States.

The following table shows employes in Cuba in several branches of the service up to April 1:

MILITARY GOVERNMENT.

	Americans.	Cubans.	Others.
Division of Cuba, General Woods' headquarters	28	6	2
Department of Havana	25	28	3
Department of Matanzas and Santa Clara, General H. Wilson's headquarters	26	10	1
Department of Province of Havana and Pinar del Rio, General Fitzhugh Lee's headquarters	14	11	1
Engineer department	104	120	28
Total	197	175	33

CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

Treasurer of island	8	4	1
Auditor of island	17	21	2
Department of posts	46	16	
Department of state and government		153	
Department of finance	1	86	8
Department of justice and instruction		35	
Department of agriculture, commerce, industries and public works		109	2
Havana postoffice	24	154	
Interior postoffices	35	404	
Star route		55	
Customs Major T. H. Bliss	50	515	103
Total	181	1532	116
Grand total	378	1727	149

Making in all 2,254. Per cent Americans 16.8, Cubans 76.6, others 6.6.

An order was issued today discontinuing the postoffice at Josselyn, Dawson county; mail to Overton. Postoffice has been ordered established at Copperton, Carson county, Wyo., with Cecilia Teller as postmistress.

Postmasters appointed: Iowa—Carnarvon, Sac county, Harry A. Daane.

South Dakota—Bend, Meade county, Ira L. Hazleton.

The condition of Wyoming national banks on April 26, compared with February 13, shows total resources have increased to $5,006,875; cash reserve to $351,957, of which the gold holdings increased to $258,275. Individual deposits were $3,481,384, and the average reserve held had advanced from 27.05 to 30.04 per cent.

NEELY WORKED ANOTHER LINE

Cubans Would Like to Know What Became of the Lottery Tickets He Confiscated.

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HAVANA, May 25.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Another postoffice scandal has cropped out today. Spaniards and Cubans are asking what has become of the Madrid, Mexican and San Domingo lottery tickets which Neely seized in the mails arriving here. Hundreds of lottery tickets were taken from letters opened in the Havana postoffice after Rathbone declared that the lotteries could not make use of the mails and now they have disappeared. These tickets were never burned publicly. Their whereabouts and the lists and letters contained are also a mystery. Everybody is also objecting to the onerous 10 centavos levied upon every letter reaching Cuba from the United States.

It transpires now that the wife of a Spanish lieutenant whom Neely took to Saratoga last summer was a close confidant in all his transactions. She ran a furnished room house for Americans on the Prado, Neely assisting in the management.

Burglars at Hardy.

HARDY, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—Burglars entered the grocery store of T. M. Fair at this place last night by forcing the door open and opened the safe, which was not locked. They secured only $2 or $3 in coin, but they carried away some $5,000 worth of good notes to Mr. Fair's order. He offers a reward of $10 for the return of these.

Postpone Transfer of Office.

FRANKFORT, Ky., May 25.—The court of appeals did not pass upon the motions to dismiss without prejudice and other technical motions, pending in the minor contests today, and the transfer of the state officers will be postponed till next week.

Nebraska Man Appointed.

DILLER, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—S. Park Kouns, a prominent young man of this place, received an appointment yesterday in the census department at Washington, D. C., to commence July 1.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska.

Forecast for Nebraska:

Generally Fair; Variable Winds.

Temperature at Omaha today:

Hour.	Deg.	Hour.	Deg.
5 a. m.	66	1 p. m.	78
6 a. m.	65	2 p. m.	78
7 a. m.	60	3 p. m.	78
8 a. m.	70	4 p. m.	78
9 a. m.	75	5 p. m.	79
10 a. m.	76	6 p. m.	78
11 a. m.	77	7 p. m.	78
12 m.	78	8 p. m.	77
		9 p. m.	75

MORGAN DRAGS THE CANAL IN

Alabama Senator Says Acquisition of the Philippines Makes It Doubly Necessary.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Discussion of the Spooner Philippines bill was continued in the senate today by Morgan of Alabama. On the general question of the ownership and government by the United States of the Philippine islands he was in accord with Senators Spooner and Lodge, but he regarded the pending bill as unwise and dangerous legislation, because of the power it placed in the hands of the president. He was satisfied, however, that the measure would not be passed by this congress and declared that it was being used as a foil to thrust aside the Nicaragua canal bill. Much of his speech was devoted to the canal bill and to denunciation of the efforts to prevent its enactment at this session.

Morgan made a long argument in support of the Nicaragua canal as doubly necessary now we were in the Philippines. He declared there was even now a revolution in the state of Panama which was being fomented, incited and aided by various canal companies which had propositions before the United States for its consideration. Referring to the suggestions that had been made to this government by these canal companies, he declared, "I'd like to know how much of this kind of insolence the American senate can stand without having its stomach turned."

He bitterly denounced the syndicates which had been organized under New York and New Jersey laws for the "purpose of controlling canal routes on the Isthmus of Darien."

SHALL IT BE MAGINNIS OR CLARK?

Question Up to Senate—Credentials of Both Filed.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Senator Carter of Montana today presented the certificate of Governor Smith appointing Martin Maginnis senator to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Senator Clark, and to which Clark had also been appointed by Lieutenant Governor Spriggs in the absence of the governor.

The certificate was in practically the same words as Acting Governor Spriggs' certificate appointing Clark to succeed himself. In accordance with a request made by Senator Carter the certificate was laid upon the table. As soon as this disposition was made Senator Chandler presented a resolution providing for the reference of the credentials of the rival senatorial claimants to the committee on privileges and elections. This resolution also was laid on the table, the understanding being that it would be called up next Wednesday.

Private Pension Bills.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The house devoted two hours today to consideration of the Alaskan civil government bill without completing it. The session from noon until adjournment was devoted, under the rule, to private pension bills. After 190 bills had been favorably acted upon by the committee of the whole Talbert blocked their passage in the house with the point of no quorum.

Among the bills favorably acted upon were the senate bills to pension the widow of the late Captain Gridley, who commanded the Olympia in the battle of Manila, at $50 per month; the widow of the late Commodore R. W. Meade at $40 per month and the widow of the late General M. F. Force of Ohio at $50 per month.

President Off for Reunion.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—President McKinley, accompanied by members of his cabinet, left Washington in a special train over the Pennsylvania and Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac railroads at 9:15 this morning for Fredericksburg, Va., to attend the meeting of the Society of the Army of the Potomac at that place today. The party, which will return to Washington this evening, consisted of President McKinley, Secretaries Root, Gage, Long and Hitchcock; Postmaster General Smith, Generals Miles, Wheeler and Michler; Secretary to the President Cortelyou and the full Marine band.

Disagreement on Armor Plate.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The conferees of the two houses on the naval appropriation bill agreed to report a disagreement on the armor plate amendment of the senate and also on the senate amendments relating to the terms of the Annapolis cadets and ocean and lake surveys. An agreement has been reached on all other items of the bill.

Chair Factory.

WASHINGTON COURTHOUSE, O., May 25.—An explosion in the varnish room of the Washington Chair factory caused a fire that destroyed the establishment today. The loss is estimated at $60,000, with $20,000 insurance. Over 100 men are thrown out of employment. The factory will be rebuilt.

Queen Thanks President.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Ambassador Choate at London has cabled the following message from Queen Victoria to the State department: "American Ambassador: Pray express my warm thanks to the president of the United States for his kind congratulations for my birthday. V. I. R."

Too Late for One Army Bill.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Chairman Hull of the house committee on military affairs stated definitely that owing to the lateness of the session it would be impossible to consider the bill to increase the efficiency of the army.

Store at Murray Robbed.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., May 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Burglars broke into the general merchandise store of Jenkins & Son at Murray last night and got away with $200 worth of shirts, shoes, razors, etc. Sheriff Wheeler has gone to look for clews to the robbery. The Beatrice bloodhounds have been sent for, and upon arrival will at once be put on the track of the culprits.

Movements of Ocean Vessels May 25.

At New York—Arrived—California, from Genoa; Pennsylvania, from Hamburg; Fuerst Bismarck, from Hamburg; Columbia, from Liverpool.

At Hamburg—Arrived—Patricia, from New York.

At Cherbourg—Arrived—Columbia, from New York, for Hamburg. Sailed—Kaiser Friedrich, from Hamburg and Southampton, for New York.

At Havre—Arrived—La Gascogne, from New York.

At Queenstown—Arrived—Campania, from New York, for Liverpool, and proceeded.

At Liverpool—Sailed—Cymric, for New York.

At Glasgow—Sailed—Laurentian, for New York.

At Stettin—Arrived—Thingvalla, from New York via Christiansand.

At Genoa—Arrived—Ems, from New York via Naples.

CHINA GETS A NOTICE

United States Government Tells It What Must Be Done.

WILL HAVE TO SUPPRESS THE "BOXERS"

This Country Takes a Hand in the Grave Situation There.

HARM SHALL NOT COME TO AMERICANS

Action is on Parallel Lines With All the European Powers.

WAR SHIPS MAY PARTICIPATE LATER

Reasonable Ground for Intervention Believed to Exist, Although as Yet the Anti-Christians Are Killing Native Converts Only.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The United States government has taken a hand in the suppression of the "Boxers" in China.

Minister Conger has been instructed by the State department to inform the Chinese government that the government of the United States expects it to stamp out promptly and thoroughly this society and to provide proper guarantics for the maintenance of peace and order and the protection of the life and property of Americans in China, all now threatened by the operation of this anti-Christian organization.

There is no indication in the instructions as to the course that would be pursued by the United States government in case the Chinese refuse to follow the warning. Minister Conger is acting on parallel lines with the representatives of every European power at the Chinese court, but has not joined in any concert of action.

It is realized here that the Chinese government in dealing with the "Boxers" will encounter much difficulty, as the society claims to be purely patriotic. Its contention is that the teachings of the Christians are in their results absolutely destructive of the Chinese system of government. The "Boxers" now are not attacking foreign missionaries, but are killing the Chinese who allow themselves to be converted to Christianity.

This phase of the matter is difficult to deal with, as it heretofore has been a well recognized right of a nation to deal with its own subjects at its pleasure. This rule does not contemplate excesses such as are ascribed to the "Boxers," and there is believed to be reasonable ground for foreign intervention, which would include the participation of United States war ships, should this be necessary.

Conger's latest advices indicate that this troublesome society is waxing strong in the very heart of Pekin, and it was evident from the tone of his dispatch that a crisis was approaching which would either cause drastic action by the Chinese government or a hostile demonstration by the powers in the near future.

Stamping Out the Society.

PEKIN, May 25.—(via Shanghai, May 25.)—A force of Chinese cavalry that was attacked by the "Boxers" lost a colonel and seventy men killed and wounded.

Li Hung Chang has been confirmed in the viceroyalty in Canton. Tan Chun Lin, the former viceroy, has been ordered to remain in Pekin to await employment.

JAPAN MAKES COMPLAINT

Method Adopted to Fight the Plague Does Not Meet With Favor.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—Through its charge here Mr. Keiziro Nabeshima, the Japanese government has joined the Chinese government in a strong protest against the compulsory inoculation of Japanese and Chinese in San Francisco with anti-plague serum. The Japanese protest is much more energetic and forcible in terms than that lodged by the Chinese government and conveys a very plain intimation that while there could be no objection to a general inoculation if such was regarded as necessary to prevent the extension of the plague, it cannot be contemplated that any discrimination should be practiced against the Japanese and Chinese. The rule must be general and include Caucasians as well as yellow men. Unlike the Chinese the Japanese have a measure of protection afforded by their recent treaty with the United States, which on its face might seem to warrant their protest against any discriminatory treatment. The communications have been referred to the surgeon general of the marine hospital service with directions to report the facts at once. It is understood that he has telegraphed to the officer of his service in charge of the work of stamping out the plague in San Francisco and it is presumed that the net result will be an abatement of the rigors of the quarantine measures now being enforced there.

MEET AMERICAN REQUESTS

Concessions Are Made to United States Director of Athletics at Paris.

PARIS, May 25.—The French authorities controlling the athletic events to be held in connection with the exposition have announced that, as a concession to America's desire to eliminate Sunday games, the sports which were scheduled to begin Sunday, July 15, will, instead, commence Saturday, July 14, the great French national holiday, and will be continued on the following Tuesday and Thursday. The finals in which Americans are entered will be put ahead and the games will conclude on Saturday, if possible.

Also, at the request of A. G. Spaulding, the director of athletics of the United States, a Marathon race of twenty-five miles has been added to the program. It will occur July 19, and a prize of 1,000 francs will be given, of which 250 francs will go to the second man. The latter sum will be the first prize for the standing, high and broad jumps, which have also been added at the request of Mr. Spaulding.

Last Drawing Room at Buckingham.

LONDON, May 25.—The last drawing room of the season was held this afternoon at Buckingham palace by the princess of Wales in behalf of the queen. The presentations included the following Americans: The daughter of Senator James McMillan, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gould and Miss Annie Wheeler.

Entertain Visiting Women.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., May 25.—(Special.)—The Plattsmouth Woman's club entertained the members of the Woman's Zeteric club of Weeping Water yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. A. Marshall. In the evening a reception was given the visitors at the home of Mrs. Byron Clark.