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NOTE NOT YET READY

Ministers at Pekin Still at Work Upon Ultimatum to China.

FURTHER DELAY SEEMS QUITE PROBABLE

Discussion of Proposed Penalty for Princes is Reopened.

FOREIGN ENVOYS SAID TO BE WEAKENING

Proposition for Execution Reduced to Severest Penalty Under Chinese Law.

SPRING EXPEDITION TO SIAN FU TALKED OF

Possibility of Renewed War with Chinese Court Discussed as Probable by the Pekin Correspondent of London Journals.

PEKIN, Saturday, Nov. 17.—The preliminary note has not yet been presented. Its terms are not completed and there will probably be further delay.

LONDON, Nov. 19.—Dr. Morrison, wiring to the Times from Pekin, under date of November 15, says:

"The foreign envoys have reopened the discussion of the death penalty for the princes and other high officials. It is evident that the ministers are weakening, as they have reduced their proposal from execution to the severest punishment provided by Chinese law, forgetting that princes lie beyond the reach of Chinese common law.

"The news from the southern provinces is more reassuring. Li Hung Chang says that Prince Tuan has fled for safety to the residence of his father-in-law at Ning Hai Sien, on the Mongolian frontier of the province of Kan Su."

"It is rumored," says a Pekin correspondent of the Morning Post, wiring Saturday, "that a spring expedition to Sian Fu is already being discussed as the outcome of the probable failure of the peace negotiations. Even if Prince Tuan and Prince Chwang are absent from the present seat of the Chinese court, Emperor Kwang Su is still helpless, as he lacks the aid of a strong and progressive adviser, all such officials having been beheaded.

"General Tung Fuh Hsiang, master of the military forces, is dreaded even by the empress dowager. The new cabinet minister, Lu Chuan Lin, is reputed to be another Kang Yi. There is danger, therefore, that terms accepted by the Chinese commissioners in Pekin will be rejected at Siang Fu.

"Should the court prepare for further resistance, it would be necessary for the allies to declare war, but to discriminate between the court and China. The United States and Russia would probably refuse to take part in such measures.

"Since the occupation of Pekin the German commander has shot more than 100 gully Boxers. General Chaffee's orders do not provide for dealing with cases of crimes committed before the relief of the legations. The American plan is to leave such matters to the Chinese, which means nothing."

SHANGHAI, Saturday, Nov. 17.—As the outcome of the protest by Great Britain against the transfer of Yu Chang to the governorship of Wu Chang, this official will be replaced by a governor who is proforeign in his sympathies.

It is reported that General Ma with 10,000 men, General Fang, with 8,000, and General Yu, with 5,000, are marching toward the borders of the province of Chi Li to check the advance of the allies westward.

Li Hung Chang and the Yang Tse viceroys, it is said, have guaranteed the empress dowager's personal safety if she will return to Pekin, but she believes that they are in league with the allies to capture her.

The French force which went to the relief of the Catholic priests besieged at Chen Ling, in Chi Li province, succeeded in rescuing them.

Taotai Sheng denies that Prince Tuan and General Tung Fu Hsiang have joined the Mohammedan rebellion.

DEMANDS JUSTICE FROM CHINA

Former Resident of Pekin Wants Empress Removed and Payment of $600,000,000 Indemnity.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Dr. W. A. P. Martin, president of the New Imperial university in Pekin, today gave out an open letter, the caption of which is "Justice to China," which he calls the question of the hour for the whole world. Dr. Martin takes exception to some recently printed newspaper articles which advise moderation in the treatment of the Chinese. He says, in effect, if the ruling powers in China were of Chinese strain there might be some excuse for moderation, but he calls the empress dowager "a Tartar usurper who follows the tradition of the grand khan and treats ambassadors with contumely."

As to the plea that China be treated as a self-respecting power, Dr. Martin asks:

What kind of self-respect was it for the empress dowager on the 19th of June, before Baron Ketteler was killed, to send a secret edict to all her viceroys: "Exterminate the foreigners, kill the native Christians?" What sort of self-respect was shown by Prince Tuan, father of the heir-apparent, in making himself the patron of a body of cutthroats? What self-respect was shown by Prince Chuang as military governor in setting a price on the heads of foreigners—60 taels for the head of a man, 50 for the head of a woman and 20 for the head of a child?"

Dr. Martin further says:

The readiest road to peace and order is the restoration of the young emperor. As for his tyrannical aunt and all her blood-stained clique, no penalty can be too severe to inflict on them. When the dowager and Prince Tuan put to death four ministers in the foreign board for the crime of pleading for peace, are the allies too severe if they insist on the exile of one and the execution of the other?

The doctor closed by contending that $600,000,000 is not too much for China to pay.

LOOK FOR FLYING SQUADRON

People of Hong Kong Excited by Contemplated Naval Demonstration by Great Britain.

LONDON, Nov. 19.—"There is considerable commotion here," says the Hong Kong correspondent of the Daily Mail, "in consequence of a report that Great Britain intends to send out a flying squadron.

Party Politics in Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Nov. 18.—Mayor Grinon has refused an application from the leaders of the negro party for a permit to demonstrate tomorrow against the Castillo party, which is now in control. It is expected that an attempt will be made to have the parade without permission of the municipal government.

LEYDS GOES TO MEET CHIEF

Transvaal Minister to Europe Reaches Marseilles Ahead of President Kruger.

(Copyrighted by Press Publishing Co.) MARSEILLES, France, Nov. 18.—(New York World Cables.—Special Telegram.)—Dr. W. J. Leyds, the Transvaal minister to the courts of Europe, arrived here at 10:30 o'clock this evening with only one secretary, having left Paris at 9:30 a. m., traveling in a special car. Of course he comes to meet President Kruger, who is due to arrive soon on the Dutch cruiser Gelderland. The three Boer special envoys who have been visiting Europe and America, seeking intervention to secure peace in South Africa, left Paris at 8:50 this evening and will arrive at 9 a. m. tomorrow.

I met Dr. Leyds at Avignon, two hours distant from Marseilles, and received positive assurance that Mr. Kruger will land at Marseilles and not at Naples or Genoa, as has been persistently rumored. On being asked about Mr. Kruger's plans, Dr. Leyds replied: "Really, I know scarcely more about them than you do," adding smilingly: "Hereafter you must apply to the president himself for information when he gets here. One man will represent the Transvaal and one only."

Several delegations met Dr. Leyds at the railway station in Marseilles. He shook hands, but begged to be allowed to go to his hotel immediately, postponing the discussion of the Kruger reception arrangements until tomorrow morning.

When Dr. Leyds' carriage drove into the great interior court of the Hotel Noailles, although great crowds lined the curbs, there was no demonstration, no shouting of welcome. Dr. Leyds went directly to his apartment. He declined to receive newspaper representatives and straightway began to dictate answers to a huge accumulation of dispatches received today.

More than 500 prominent people from Paris, Berlin and Amsterdam have arrived here, Michael Davitt among others.

BOTHA SETS UP GOVERNMENT

Boer Commandant Establishes His Headquarters at Roscndal.

PRETORIA, Nov. 18.—The Boers are active. It is said that Commandant Louis Botha has established a government at Rosendal, north of Middleburg, and that with the £150,000 which he has available he is paying the fighting burghers a crown a day.

Commandmant Abel Erasmus is said to be at Oliphant's river with 2,000 men, 1,000 wagons and 12,000 cattle.

From Heidelberg it is reported that the Boers are compelling the burghers who had surrendered to take up arms again under pain of death.

AIMS BLOW AT UNITED STATES

German Reichstag to Consider Tariff Bill Which Discriminates Against America.

BERLIN, Nov. 18.—Count Kanitz, Dr. Lieber and other prominent members of the Reichstag have given notice of a bill to amend the tariff law by empowering a levy, under imperial decree and with the approval of the Bundesrath, of ad valorem duties on dutiable goods from countries where German goods are subjected to similar levies, provided that the terms of the existing treaties are not thereby violated.

By the provisions of the bill additional duties may be levied in the same manner up to 200 per cent of the tariff law or the ad valorem duty on goods from countries treating German ships or German goods less favorably than other nations, while duty-free goods in similar circumstances may be subjected to a duty not exceeding 40 per cent of their value.

The decree would cease at any time if the Reichstag withheld its assent.

The proposal has provoked a lively discussion in the press. While the signers do not include all the national, liberal and centrist members, they do represent about half the membership of the Reichstag, and it is highly probable that the bill will attract enough support from the other sections of the house to insure a majority.

One leading journal, commenting upon the proposal, says that "it means in a certain sense a declaration of tariff war against the United States."

PRINCES TO BE CONDEMNED

Imperial Edict Concerning Tuan and Chwang and Transmitted to Secretary Hay, Confirmed.

PARIS, Nov. 19.—The following advices have been received from Pekin, dated November 17:

"M. Pinchon (French minister in Pekin) visited Li Hung Chang, who handed to him imperial decrees depriving Prince Tuan and Prince Chwang of their titles of nobility and directing that they be imprisoned at Mukden until death. Decrees assert that Prince Ying has already been degraded and imprisoned; that Prince Lien has been ordered not to leave his palace; that Duke Lin and Ying Nien, president of the Censorate, and others have been degraded and that Yu Hsien has been exiled.

"Another decree says it is impossible to arrest General Tung Fu Hsiang at present because he is in possession of the troops, but that he will be punished later."

The foregoing dispatch, with the exception of the reference to General Tung Fu Hsiang, corroborates the text of the cablegram from Director General Sheng to Minister Wu at Washington, communicated to Secretary Hay last Friday.

WEYLER SAYS HE DIDN'T

His Excellency, the Butcher, Denies Anti-American Boasts Attributed to Him.

MADRID, Nov. 18.—General Weyler denies that the statement published in Paris and cabled to the United States that he had told an interviewer that if he had remained in Cuba he would have ousted the Americans from the island.

Blow Aimed at Mafia.

ROME, Nov. 18.—The court of appeals has issued an order sending before the court of assize Signor Palizzolo, a member of the Chamber of Deputies for Palermo, on a charge of having instigated the murder in December, 1899, of Signor Netarbartolo, an ex-mayor of Palermo and an ex-director of the Bank of Sicily, who was robbed and killed in a railroad car near Palermo. The charges against Signor Palizzolo are particularly important, because they are regarded as the cornerstone of the efforts of the Italian government to overthrow the Sicilian mafia

German Battleships Collide.

BERLIN, Nov. 18.—As the German first-class battleships Kaiser Friedrich III and Kaiser Wilhelm II were entering Kiel harbor yesterday they collided, both being slightly damaged. Today divers have been examining the extent of their injuries.

LITTLE ALARM IN RUSSIA

Official World at St. Petersburg Looks for Speedy Recovery of Czar.

ILLNESS MAY BE DUE TO TOO MUCH QUAIL

High Medical Authority for Statement That Typhoid Germs Have Been Cultured from Toothsome Partridge Which Nicholas Loves.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 18.—The Russian official world is anxious regarding the condition of Emperor Nicholas, but there is a feeling of confidence that he will recover. A Foreign office official told the correspondent of the Associated Press last evening that the bulletins were regarded as favorable. He called attention to the distinction between typhus, in the American sense of the word, and typhus as understood in Russia, where the term corresponds to typhoid in American terminology. Typhoid is common, the official pointed out, in all Russian cities, owing to the defective hygienic arrangements, but it is not feared in this country as it is in the United States.

"Moreover," continued the official, "the czar's general health has been good. Persons who have seen him frequently and at close quarters during the last few months give no credence to the stories regarding his alleged feebleness. They have not observed the slightest indication of lingering injury from the saber blow he received in Japan. They utterly disbelieve the assertion, often made abroad, that the czar is an epileptic."

Considerable surprise is expressed that his majesty should have contracted a disease from tainted nourishment. It appears, however, that he is imprudent in his diet, does not always follow medical direction and often drinks any water he can get when walking or driving. The possibility of his having contracted disease from milk is also being considered. Yet another source of typhoid infection in Russia is quail, there being high medical authority for the statement that germs have been cultured from broiled quails.

The news of the czar's illness is gradually reaching the general populace and many sympathetic references to his condition are heard among the people of St. Petersburg, who are apparently greatly attached to the person of the monarch.

Special prayers for his recovery were offered today in the churches of St. Petersburg, Moscow and Kharkow.

LONDON, Nov. 19.—The only reliable news regarding the condition of Emperor Nicholas published here this morning is the Livadia bulletin, but dispatches from Berlin and Copenhagen all speak equally favorable. A dispatch from the Danish capital says the dowager czarina will remain at Fredensborg possibly until December 3.

According to the Moscow correspondent of the Daily Express the weakness of the czar's heart causes some apprehension.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says that the emperor's illness rose from lack of caution in drinking fresh water while suffering from influenza and, he adds, that "the illness has not made as yet a deep impression upon the Russian people, many of whom seem never to have heard of it."

Nicholas Has Comfortable Day.

LIVADIA, European Russia, Nov. 18.—Emperor Nicholas, according to the best information obtainable this morning, had a favorable day yesterday. He slept for some time and felt at ease. His temperature at 9 p. m. was 110.6 and his pulse 64.

Last night he slept well and on waking this morning was comfortable, his head being quite clear. At 9 a. m. today his temperature was 99.6 and his pulse 68.

SAYS SHE WAS BLAMELESS

Father of the Murdered Countess de Cornulier Declares Her Husband's Suspicions Groundless.

PARIS, Nov. 18.—Saturday's tragedy, the killing of Countess de Cornulier by her husband, was the principal topic yesterday at the clubs and in social circles generally. Count de Cornulier's condition prior to his marriage was rather humble and after his separation from the countess he lived in a small apartment in the Latin quarter, evidently maintaining himself on a very moderate income.

The countess, on the other hand, lived in fine style and it was evident that his changed domestic conditions, especially as they contrasted with those of the countess, greatly depressed him.

The statement by M. LeRouix, the advocate at whose apartments the countess was shot, that she had placed her affairs in his hands at the suggestion of her father, Count Pineau de Viennay, is corroborated by the latter, who emphatically denies that there was any impropriety whatever in the relations existing between his daughter and her legal representative.

HORSE SHOW OPENS TODAY

New York Society Will Enjoy One of Its Gayest Periods for the Next Few Days.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—All is in readiness for the opening tomorrow of the sixteenth annual horse show under the auspices of the National Horse Show association at Madison Square Garden. All the day workmen were engaged in putting the finishing touches to the decorations and other arrangements in the big amphitheater.

At 1 o'clock a luncheon was served to a large number of invited guests of the association in the restaurant of the garden and following this there was a general inspection of the stables, arena and other parts of the building.

The judging will be started at 10:30 tomorrow, when Colonel Delancy A. Kane and George P. Wetmore will give their opinion as judges on sixty-two hunters.

William C. Whitney and William H. Taylor will be the judges in the evening.

American Dramatists Dine.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—The American Dramatists' club gave a dinner at Sherry's tonight, celebrating the achievements and prospects of the American drama. A company of about fifty American dramatists and novelists were present, among whom were: Sidney Rosenfeld, David Belasco, Augustus Thomas, F. Hopkinson Smith, John Philip Sousa, W. A. Brady, Edward E. Rose, Augustus Pitou, Paul M. Potter, Joseph Jefferson, DeWolf Hopper, Paul Leicester Ford, A. M. Palmer and Clyde Fitch.

Movements of Ocean Vessels Nov. 18.

New York—Arrived: Steamers Pretoria, from Hamburg, Boulogne and Plymouth; New York, from Southampton and Cherbourg; Umbria, from Liverpool and Queenstown; Nomadic, from Liverpool. Sailed: Steamer State of Nebraska, for Moville and Glasgow.

Boston—Arrived: Steamer Ultonia, from Liverpool.

Gibraltar—Passed: Steamer Hesperia, from New York for Marseilles and Genoa.

Queenstown—Sailed: Steamer Campania, from Liverpool for New York.

Delaware Breakwater—Passed out: Steamer Zonoma, from Philadelphia, for San Francisco.

Portland, Me.—Arrived: Steamer Vancouver, from Liverpool.

DENOUNCE LIMON ATROCITY

Representative Colorado People Condemn the Mob and Deprecate Its Action.

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 18.—At a mass meeting held here today strong protests were made against the actions of the Limon mob that burned John Porter, the negro murderer, at the stake. The meeting was presided over by C. M. Hobbs, president of the Young Men's Christian association, and speeches were made by Governor C. S. Thomas, Mayor H. V. Johnson of Denver, President Slocum of Colorado college, Rabbi Friedman, Rev. Coyle, Mrs. Sarah Platt-decker, prominent in National Woman's club circles, and others. They all spoke in strong terms, condemning what was termed the "Limon atrocity," and also denounced the sensational display of newspaper stories concerning it. The audience at times was stirred almost to riotous demonstrations of approval.

Resolutions adopted admit the difficulty of adequately characterizing the crime for which Porter was punished, but declare that however much the negro by his crime merited death, no crime can justify recourse to such barbaric methods, and that while the action of the people of Lincoln county is attributed to excitement and passion, it is none the less condemned and discountenanced. Hope is expressed that a law will be speedily enacted in Colorado providing effective punishment for such crimes, and providing punishment for any one taking part in a lynching.

Governor Thomas, in the course of his remarks, said:

I do not believe the people of this state are worse than the people of any other state. This is as civilized a community as any state in the union and in all of them we hear of occurrences like this when the people have been suddenly aroused to some such terrible act, when some such awful horrible crime as this negro's cries to heaven for vengeance. For the agonized parents and whatever they have done, I have no words of blame or censure. Put ourselves in their places, and we can understand their wild desire for vengeance.

My remarks today are addressed not so much to the fact that death has been inflicted as to the manner in which it is done. I do not by this mean to justify lynch law. No well-regulated citizen can ever justify a departure from the law. But every state has the same affairs, and we are not an exception.

The governor disclaimed any responsibility for the affair, saying that he understood that Sheriff Freeman had Porter in jail for eight days and had gone out of town so believing, only to return to learn that the sheriff and his prisoner were on the way to Limon.

"This awful offense has been committed by an entire county," he continued. "All we can do is to declare that we, as citizens of the same state, deplore and condemn this act of barbarity."

BONES FOUND ON PRAIRIE

Coroner Holds Inquest on Small Remains of John Porter's Body.

LIMON, Colo., Nov. 18.—After being notified that some fragments of bones of a human being had been found on the prairie near where John Porter was burned at the stake Coroner Brown and a jury summoned by him gathered up the "remains" and held an inquest. The jury's verdict was to the effect that the remains were those of John Porter and that "death was at the hands of parties unknown." The remains were buried in a small box near the scene of the lynching.

Lynching Denounced in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—The burning of the negro John Porter in Colorado last Friday was a theme for discussion in nearly every negro church in Chicago tonight. Several of the churches adopted the following resolutions presented by Mrs. Ida B. Wells Barnett, chairman of the anti-lynching bureau:

That we, citizens of the United States, respectfully call to the attention of the president this awful crime committed by the citizens, the sheriff and the governor of Colorado, against the citizenship of the country.

That we ask the president, in his next message to congress, to call attention to the fact that during the last ten years nearly 2,000 citizens have been put to death by mobs, and that of the number so lynched fifteen were burned alive, with unspeakable barbarity. We urge our chief magistrate to commend to congress legislation which shall secure to every person accused of crime a trial by jury and shall hold criminally liable all persons who constitute mobs to torture, murder and burn alive citizens of the United States.

DENVER ROBBERY CLEARED UP

Joseph Haennalt Confesses to Being One of Three Men Who Murderously Assaulted Mrs. Betts.

DENVER, Colo., Nov. 18.—After nearly two months' confinement in jail, Joseph Haennalt has confessed that he was implicated in the robbery of Mrs. Flora Betts on the night of August 27, when diamonds valued at $7,000 were taken from her after she had been beaten almost into insensibility. At the time of the robbery he and Mrs. Betts were returning from a drive into the country. They were held up by two men, one of whom murderously assaulted Mrs. Betts. Haennalt was also robbed of $40. He was arrested on the following day. In his confession he charges John Barr, a vinegar manufacturer, with being the chief actor, although he acknowledges that he planned the robbery and induced Mrs. Betts to go with him for a drive that his accomplices might secure the jewels. Barr's refusal to visit Haennalt in jail or to return the $50, it is said, caused him to make the confession.

Barr was arrested some time ago, but was released on bail. He has been rearrested. D. M. Conway, a dairyman, has been arrested as an accomplice. The police believe that the diamonds were disposed of in the east.

CONVICTS ESCAPE TO HILLS

Posse Again Surrounds Leavenworth Fugitives, Who Were Thought to Have Been Cremated.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Nov. 18.—The escaped convicts, Cravens and Estelle, were today surrounded in the hills a mile from Brighton, having escaped from the barn burned by the posse. The place is rough and well adapted to screen the convicts and, as they are well armed, the posse will probably starve them out and not try to force a surrender. The officers are satisfied that one of the men is badly wounded, as a result of the first day's fusillade.

Alleged Blackmailing Syndicate.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—George B. Eshlmen, John Wildman, Frank Mitchell, John Major and Isidore Leavy, all 21 years of age or under, are under arrest here on a charge of conspiracy. The boys are of respectable parentage and according to the admission of at least one of them have made a trade of blackmail, their victims being well known persons who they charged with immorality. The complainant in the case is James Van Vleck, 32 years old, a postoffice department clerk. All the prisoners except Leavy were released on bond.

Bank Robbers Escape.

QUINCY, Ill., Nov. 18.—The vault of the bank of Bluff, Scott county, was blown open early today by robbers, who, it is reported, secured $2,000. The robbers escaped on a handcar to Chapin, where they stole the horse and buggy of the town marshal and drove northward.

CREMATED WHILE THEY SLEEP

Four Persons Meet Horrible Fate in Hotel Fire at Oswayo, Pa.

DISASTER DUE TO EXPLOSION OF GAS

Guests Awakened from Sound Slumber in the Commotion Flee Heedlessly Into Danger in Their Efforts to Escape.

OSWAYO, Pa., Nov. 18.—Four men were burned to death in a fire which today destroyed the McGonigal house, a three-story frame building, the hotel, barn and the opera house. The three buildings were burned to the ground in half an hour from the time the fire started.

The dead:

ARTHUR FLETCHER, bookkeeper for Pennsylvania Stave company.

MICHAEL RUSSELL, employe Pennsylvania Tanning company.

WILLIAM MULHANEY of Rexford, N. Y.

HUGH JAMERSON of Alfred, N. Y.

The town has no fire department, the only protection being a pump at the tannery. The fire originated in the McGonigal house from an overpressure of natural gas. There were thirty persons in the hotel, which was a flimsy structure. Two men were seriously injured. Otto Kauley, a tissue walker of Coudersport, Pa., was burned about the face and arms and Jerry Dailey sustained a broken shoulder by jumping from the third story of the hotel. There were many narrow escapes, most of the occupants jumping from the windows.

The flames licked up the hotel building as if it were built of tinder. Nothing remains of the four unfortunate men but a few charred bones. One man had a leg broken in jumping and several others received minor injuries and slight burns in making the exit from the building. The tannery employes connected a line of hose to the burning building, but on account of some trouble with the pump there was considerable delay in getting a stream on the fire and the flames got beyond control. The property loss is $5,000.

BUFFALO DOCKS MASHED FLAT

Structure 300 Feet Long Collapses Under Weight of 60,000 Tons of Iron, Two Lives Being Lost.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 18.—A section of the Minnesota ore docks, situated on Blackwell canal in this harbor, collapsed this morning under the weight of 60,000 tons of ore. Two boys were killed and one man badly injured.

The dead:

MAX M. TORS, 15 years old.

THOMAS FORD, 15 years old.

Injured:

William Burke, 22 years old.

The property loss is estimated at $150,000. The crash came without warning, 300 feet of the dock disappearing beneath the surface of the water and the top of the great pile of ore, which had stood twenty-five feet high on the dock, just showing above the water.

The ore is owned by Richards, Mather & Co. of Cleveland. The dock was recently rebuilt and fitted with the latest and most expensive machinery.

HARD BLOW AT WIRE TRUST

Minnesota Man Demonstrates Practicability of Telephoning Without Use of Wires.

MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 18.—An experiment in wireless telephoning, which was tried at Powderhorn lake today, proved a decided success. The originator of the idea is J. C. Kelsey of the Northwestern Telephone Exchange company. The method is a very simple one. On either side of the lake they strung a wire about 100 feet in length, the two being parallel. They were above ground and fastened with grounding pins.

An ordinary local telephone transmitter and receiver were attached to either wire. When the transmitting circuit is cut in it induces the current into the receiving circuit and when the receiving circuit is cut in it induces the circuit into the transmitting circuit. In this way the advantage of both circuits is secured without the use of wire and as a result the conversation can be carried on much more easily and with better results.

The wires to which the instruments are attached run parallel and there are two currents in operation all the time. The one going from one end of the wire to the other and the second flowing to its affinity, as it were, that is, the parallel wire.

The use of the system is not confined to water. It is available on land, if good grounding facilities can be secured. The experimenters say that they could easily converse a distance of twenty miles, even with the crude instruments used today.

IN BEHALF OF IRRIGATION

National Congress Will Be Held in Chicago During This Week.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—Colonel H. B. Maxson of Reno, Nev., secretary of the National Irrigation congress, and C. B. Boothe of Los Angeles, Cal., vice president for California, are in Chicago to attend the National Irrigation congress. Mr. Boothe, who is a wholesale merchant, has been making a tour of the east among manufacturers. He states that the interest and knowledge among many eastern firms on the subject of western irrigation development is surprising.

ENGINEER JUMPS TO DEATH

Passenger Train on Wheeling & Lake Erie Runs Into Open Switch, Causing Wreck.

ZANESVILLE, O., Nov. 18.—A passenger train on the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroad ran into an open switch here this afternoon, badly wrecking the engine. The engineer, John Somers of this city, jumped, but fell under the wheels and was killed. Four trainmen were hurt by jumping and Mrs. Sarah Sching of Louisville, Ky., was thrown over a seat and badly bruised.

Georgia Monument to Oglethorpe.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Nov. 18.—An organization of the members of the Sons of the Revolution has been perfected to erect a monument to General James Edward Oglethorpe, the founder of the colony of Georgia. Funds amounting to several thousand dollars are now available for the purpose. The Colonial Dames and other patriotic organizations will co-operate. It is proposed that the base of the monument, which is to be erected in this city, shall be constructed of a combination stone from each county, as the Washington monument contains a stone from each state.

Lumber Mills Close for the Season.

WINONA, Minn., Nov. 18.—The sawmills of Laird, Norton & Co. and the Empire Lumber company, located in this city, have shut down for the season and the Winona Lumber company will close on Tuesday. Seven hundred men will be thrown out of employment until the mills open next season.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska:
Partly Cloudy; Northerly Winds.

Temperature at Omaha Yesterday:

Hour.	Deg.	Hour.	Deg.
5 a. m.	30	1 p. m.	26
6 a. m.	29	2 p. m.	27
7 a. m.	28	3 p. m.	26
8 a. m.	28	4 p. m.	27
9 a. m.	28	5 p. m.	27
10 a. m.	27	6 p. m.	27
11 a. m.	27	7 p. m.	28
12 m.	27	8 p. m.	28
		9 p. m.	29

GENERAL LEE COMING SOON

Famous Warrior Will Take Command of the Department of the Missouri Soon.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—(Special Telegram.)—General Fitzhugh Lee, according to Adjutant General Corbin, will arrive in Omaha between December 1 and 15. General Lee will be accompanied by his personal aide. A rumor is current here that Mrs. Lee and daughter will spend the winter in Washington, having taken apartments at the Cairo. At headquarters of the War department nothing is known of this, however, and there seems to be good reason to doubt its correctness.

The Nebraska Republican club at a largely attended meeting Saturday night resolved to celebrate the recent victory in Nebraska by a reception to all Nebraskans resident in this city. Speeches will be made by Senator Thurston, W. E. Andrews, W. H. Michael and G. D. Meiklejohn, should he return from the west in time. E. Rosewater of The Bee, who is at present in New York, will also be invited to come on for the occasion, which it is expected will excel any former celebration attempted by the Nebraska contingent.

BRYANITE WANTS NEW PARTY

George F. Washburn Advocates New Coalition of All Factions That Believes in Popocracy.

BOSTON, Nov. 18.—An address to the "reform forces of the country" has been issued by George F. Washburn, president of the Bryan club of Massachusetts and the national committeeman of the people's party, in which he says:

The campaign of 1900 was a contest of conscience against capital. It was the greatest struggle for human rights since the days of Jackson and Lincoln. The reelection of McKinley was a victory for imperialism and the trusts. But our grand reform movement will roll on to ultimate victory.

It is beyond the range of human probability that Bryan will again become the candidate for the democratic party. But he can lead to victory a new party conducted on safe and conservative, yet progressive lines. Therefore, to maintain our present momentum a new party must be formed. We must have a complete reunion of reform forces. This can be accomplished by uniting the Bryan democrats, Bryan republicans, populists and other smaller bodies, to be led by the man of the hour, whoever he may be. I believe that had such a party been formed four years ago Bryan would have triumphed this time. Accordingly, I propose that at an early date we have a conference of the parties referred to in the central part of the country for the purpose of effecting an immediate understanding, that we may begin the organization of a new party.

HUSBAND AND MONEY GONE

Bride of a Night Awakes to Find That Some Things Are Not What They Seem.

DETROIT, Nov. 18.—Mrs. Hattie E. Norton of Detroit was married to Charles R. Holmes of San Francisco in Windsor, Ontario, on Saturday evening. Late this afternoon Mrs. Holmes raised an alarm in the Manning hotel and sent messengers looking for her husband. He could not be found. Then she examined the lining of her skirt, where she had secreted $700. The money was missing. Mrs. Holmes said she had known her husband but two weeks, having become acquainted with him through a matrimonial paper. After being married on Saturday evening at the house of Rev. D. H. Hind they retired, first drinking some wine ordered by her husband. She says she believes she was drugged. Dr. A. Soper, who was called to attend her, said she was under the influence of a drug. The $700, Mrs. Holmes says, was drawn from the bank by her at the suggestion of Holmes. The police are looking for the absent man.

NEBRASKA WOMAN DROWNED

Miss Baker, Formerly of Table Rock, but Latterly of Alaska, Loses Her Life at Hetts' Lake.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 18.—A triple drowning is reported from Hett's lake, at the head of Hunters' bay, Alaska.

The dead:

MRS. JAMES TAYLOR, San Francisco.

MISS BAKER, Table Rock, Neb.

FOREMAN EARLY of the Hunters' Bay Cannery.

The three persons were capsized November 9 in a rowboat in which they were making their way out to board the steamer Valencia, which they proposed taking for San Francisco. Mrs. Taylor's body was recovered. She was the wife of James Taylor, formerly of Marysville, O., one of the managers of the Pacific Steam Whaling company's cannery at Hunters' bay. Miss Baker, who was a daughter of Mrs. G. W. Baker of Table Rock, had been a missionary in southwestern Alaska for ten years.

SENATOR DAVIS HAS RELAPSE

Improvement of Friday and Saturday Receives Check. Unfavorable Symptoms Returning.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 18.—The improvement which had marked the condition of Senator Cushman K. Davis during Friday and Saturday seems to have received a decided check and his physicians reported today that he passed a very bad night and was restless and feverish throughout today. The delirium which was a feature of the disease in the early part of last week has returned and is more marked. His pulse has again risen materially, as has also his respiration. The bulletin issued by Dr. Stone at 9:15 tonight reads as follows:

Senator Davis passed a very bad night; restless and slightly delirious. His temperature this morning was 100 2-5; pulse, 96; and respiration 28. Throughout the day he has been feeling better, but is again restless and partly delirious tonight, with a temperature of 99, pulse 116 and respiration 28.

IRISH BOERS REACH CHICAGO

Ambulance Corps Which Went to Africa Receives Warm Welcome Home.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—An Irish welcome was given the returning members of the Chicago Boer ambulance corps tonight. Despite a downpour of rain, thousands of Irishmen and women crowded the Lake Shore depot and thronged the sidewalks of the neighborhood. The rivalry for the entertainment of the soldiers was blended into a double reception without friction. The United Societies gave the soldiers a reception at the Seventh regiment armory and the Irish Nationalists dined them at McCoy's hotel afterwards.

FORCED TO CLOSE UP

Federal Officials Take Charge of National Bank at Newport, Ky.

ASSISTANT CASHIER IS $200,000 SHORT

Frank M. Brown Follows Much the Same Course as Alvord in New York.

STEALINGS HAD BEEN GOING ON FOR YEARS

Sum Embezzled Greater Than the Entire Assets of the Institution.

WHEREABOUTS OF EMBEZZLER UNKNOWN

Up to the Moment of the Disclosure of the Real Situation by a Newspaper Bank's Officers Maintained Nothing Was Wrong.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 18.—United States Bank Examiner Tucker today took possession of the German National bank at Newport, Ky., and posted a notice that the bank would remain closed pending an examination.

Examiner Tucker also announced, unofficially, that Frank M. Brown, the assistant cashier, was missing and that a partial investigation showed that Brown was short about $201,000.

Brown had been with the bank eighteen years, was one of the most trusted men ever connected with this bank and it is stated by the expert that his alleged operations extended back as far as ten years.

The capital of the bank is only $100,000. Brown's alleged shortage is double that amount and more than the reserve and all the assets, including its real estate. While Alvord got away with $700,000 in New York, he did it in a large bank, but Brown did not have so much to go on and seems to have gone the full limit for a small bank in a city of less than 30,000 inhabitants.

Only One Bank Left in Town.

The First National bank of Newport was wrecked two years ago by Cashier Youtsey and now, with the German National closed, Newport has only one bank left. For two weeks there have been rumors that Brown was short and some depositors withdrew their accounts. Three weeks ago the bank examiners made a good statement for the bank and the officers and directors allayed suspicion by referring to the report of this examination and to their last statement. Last Wednesday Brown left and it was announced that he had gone hunting on a vacation. He did get a ticket for Odin, Ill., but it is learned now that he did not go there and it is generally believed that he is out of the country with plenty of money in his possession.

It is learned that Brown was suspended last Tuesday pending an investigation and that experts were at work all last week, while the officers and directors have been making announcements that everything was all right. Last Friday the officers and directors published in the papers of this city a statement that the bank had been found to be all right and that the rumors about Brown were false. They continued making these statements to the press as late as last midnight, but the statements were not accepted by the Commercial Tribune, which exposed the alleged shortage and caused a panic in Newport today, so that the bank had to be taken in charge by the examiner. The wildest scenes were witnessed in Newport today and serious trouble is feared tomorrow.

Has Been Living Fast Life.

Brown, it is alleged, was living a fast life, with wine, women and gambling in his repertoire. His career was not cut short by any discovery at the bank till a jealous woman gave him away. Brown is a widower, with one son, aged 10 years, who lives with Brown's father, Paris C. Brown, ex-mayor of Newport and one of the leading business men of Cincinnati. Last summer Brown visited Yellowstone park and a certain Cincinnati woman wanted to accompany him, but this was denied to her. When she ascertained some time afterward that another woman was with Brown on his western trip the Cincinnati woman gave the bank officials some information that brought about a crisis. The only farewell letter that Brown is known to have left was to this woman, whose apartments are on Ninth street in Cincinnati, and in this letter he admits that he had secured about all that he could get and that the time had come to say farewell. Brown was a great poker player, with limit never too high, it is said, and he had been a plunger on horse races, it is alleged, for years. His bets on the races were frequently too high for the poolrooms in Covington, Ky., and he had brokers in both Chicago and New York.

The officers are wealthy and responsible men and they will be able to make the losses good.

Among the directors is Paris C. Brown, the father of the defaulter, who is known from Pittsburg to New Orleans as the head of stores for boats' supplies. The cashier of this bank is also the paying teller and Brown relieved him as paying teller when the cashier went to his dinner. It is stated that Brown did most of his work during the noon lunch of the cashier.

Run on the Bank.

There was quite a run on the bank yesterday, but the usual announcement was made as it had continued to be made to the press till after midnight, but more of a rush is expected at the bank tomorrow, even if there has been a notice posted that the bank is closed pending an investigation, and some fear that there will be serious trouble, even to the extent of violence.

Bank Examiner Tucker took possession on Sunday because of the panic in Newport that followed at once on the publication of Brown's absence and alleged defalcations. The bank examiner posted a notice that the bank would not be opened tomorrow, pending an investigation, but it is generally believed that this proceeding on Sunday will not prevent a stampede tomorrow, as the excitement in Newport up to a late hour tonight was intense.

There are about 1,500 depositors, among them being the nine building associations that have the savings of many poor people. These classes talked more today about the statements given out last Thursday and since then than about Brown's operations. Brown wrote to a woman in Cincinnati that he was bound for South America, but the Enquirer will say tomorrow that it has good authority for saying that Brown sailed from New York yesterday and that his destination is China.

Minstrel Billy West in Trouble.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Billy West, famous as a minstrel and for a long time a member of the Primrose & West minstrel organization, has just passed successfully through a difficult and dangerous operation for a cancerous affection of the mouth. On Thursday he expects to join his company at Memphis, Tenn.