

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1896

RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND GERMANY STILL STRAINED

Since the Mauthausen gun came into use the ratio is four killed to one wounded—just the opposite to what it formerly was.

The New York Observer maintains that the penmanship of the English and Canadian children excels that of Uncle Sam's boys and girls.

They say, remarks the New Orleans Picayune, that the New York speculators made enough out of British bondholders over the late war scarce to pay pretty well all the expenses of the war, if it should come.

The students of the University of California have pledged themselves to improve and beautify the grounds of the institution by their own labor, thus making improvements, for which the university has no money.

The Chicago Physicians' Club has decided that "organized charity means a wild desire on the part of some people that other people should help the poor," and that the doctors generally get the heavy end of the stick.

It is claimed that the large gold fields, covering several thousands of acres in Buckingham County, Virginia, have recently been investigated by experts and that the average of the ores gives a much better percentage of gold than either the South African or Cripple Creek districts.

According to William E. Curtis, New York City is alarmed at the possibility that Chicago may capture most of the trade with the South if the proposed Chicago and Southern States exposition is held next fall. A counter demonstration is therefore being planned in Gotham. This will take the form of a monster parade of the blue and the gray. Negotiations to secure cheap excursion rates over all railroads for the masses and passes for merchants, producers, shippers, bankers and leading Grand Army of the Republic men in the South and West are being made. By these means it is expected that a big crowd can be secured and the Chicago project nullified or at least prevented from accomplishing all its promoters' anticape.

In a recent address before the Liberal Club, of Buffalo, Hon. Carroll D. Wright, United States Labor Commissioner, made some interesting statements regarding the wealth and progress of the South. The strip of territory stretching from Pennsylvania to Alabama, Mr. Wright said, contained forty times the coal accessible to economic production and distribution that was contained in Great Britain before a pick was struck. He estimated that the production of cotton in the South is double what it was before the war; in twenty years the manufacture of pig iron has increased 1000 per cent., the railroad mileage is 150 per cent. greater now than in 1880, and the passenger traffic 500 per cent. greater, and the freight tons moved 400 per cent. larger. He says that since 1880 the Southern railroads have more than doubled their earnings, the banking capital has increased in like proportion, and the money spent in the support of schools has also been doubled.

B. & O. REORGANIZATION

Elevation of C. O. Scull to the Position of Traffic Manager. Pittsburgh, Feb. 3.—A local rail official is quoted as saying that the reorganization of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad includes the elevation of Chas. O. Scull, general passenger agent, to the position of passenger traffic manager of the system. The change will then make J. P. Schryver, now assistant general passenger agent, the general passenger agent at Washington.

Philadelphia's \$1,000,000 Fire. Philadelphia, Feb. 3.—The loss by yesterday's conflagration which destroyed the Hazleton building and the American Baptist Publication society's seven-story building and damaged the La Fayette dry goods store and Hotel Lafayette was this morning placed at \$1,000,000.

Among the persons arrested in Hamburg for an attempt to rob the North German bank in that city are three Americans. Two of them gave their names as Pitta, claiming to be brothers, and the other gave the name of Taylor. All of them claim to be commission merchants in New York.

Efforts of John Bull To Draw Italy Into Russo-Turkey Compact—The Kaiser Abandons His Proposed Yachting Trip. Berlin, Feb. 3.—The relations between the governments of Germany and Great Britain have not shown any signs of improvement within the last few days, and particularly since it became known that the diplomatic efforts of the latter have been directed toward involving Italy in the arrangement between Russia and Turkey. In an agreement independent of her present allies. The treaty binding the triple alliance—Austria, Germany and Italy—will fall renewable in 1897. Hitherto Germany and Austria have had no reason to suppose that there would be any change which would cause Italy to desire to alter the terms of the Dreibund pact, but within the last two weeks Signor Crispi, prime minister of Italy, is reported to have sent instructions to the Italian ambassadors at Vienna and Berlin to sound the respective governments to which those diplomats are accredited as to their views in regard to important modifications of the responsibilities of Italy under the conditions of the present treaty, and as the result of Crispi's correspondence with his representatives at foreign courts Count Nigra, Italian ambassador to Austria, an ardent supporter of the triple alliance, has gone to Rome to influence the maintenance of the Dreibund. In official circles here no alarm is felt that Italy's entire withdrawal from the terms of the treaty upon its expiration will be sought and accomplished.

GERMAN AMERICANS INDIGNANT

TRIPLE ALLIANCE MAY BE BROKEN

The critical condition of foreign affairs has altered the plans which the emperor had made for his spring outing. According to his present programme, he has abandoned his notion of going to the Mediterranean on a yachting trip, and the empress has also given up her sojourn at Abbazia. The kaiser on Thursday had a long conference at the foreign office with Baron Marschall von Bieberstein, minister of foreign affairs, and he also had a prolonged interview on Friday with M. Szogyeny-Marich, the Austrian ambassador.

German Women Want More Power. According to the Berlin Post, the reform of the military laws which has been promised will not be brought before the reichstag this session. The time of that body will be absorbed by consideration of the civil code. An active agitation is proceeding among the German women with the object of obtaining the redress of grievances which the present code ignores, and it is the intention of the leaders of the movement to petition the reichstag for the introduction of clauses in the code which will concede to married women power to dispose of their own property without requiring the consent of their husbands. It is also sought on behalf of married women that they may absolutely control their own estate and use the earnings thereof as they may see fit. As the law stands at present the women of Germany are distinctly inferior in position to the males. It is not believed that the reichstag will grant the demands of the petition as the advocates of women's rights are chiefly found in the ranks of the socialists.

NEW YORK LEGISLATURE

Interest in the Proceedings This Week Centers in the Senate.

Albany, Feb. 3.—The interest in legislation during the present week will probably be confined to the senate side of the capitol, where the consideration of new rules will be the subject of much discussion. The bill which provides for reciprocity in insurance matters with foreign countries, which is aimed especially at the Prussian insurance companies, will come up in both houses this week and will probably be passed and go to the governor the latter part of the week. The general hearings upon the excise question, which have extended since the first week of the session, are completed. There was never a question discussed in the legislature which has received the consideration that the excise question has this session at the hands of the senate committee.

JUSTIN McCARTHY TO RETIRE

Believed Now That Sexton Will Lead the anti-Parnellites. London, Feb. 3.—The meeting of the anti-Parnellite section of the Irish parliamentary party to discuss the selection of a leader in room of Justin McCarthy, who, it is said, will retire from the leadership this week, will be held in Dublin on March 8. Mr. McCarthy's retirement is attributed solely to his declining health and arrears of work. It is the opinion now that Thomas Sexton, who represents North Kerry in the house of commons, will be selected to lead the party.

AN ODD SENTENCE

Burr Must Attend Thirty Temperance Meetings or Go to Jail. Burlington, N. J., Feb. 3.—On a charge of drunkenness, Charles Burr was sentenced by Magistrate Smith to attend thirty meetings of the temperance rescue organization, which is now holding meetings here. For every meeting which Burr fails to attend he will be compelled to serve a day in the county jail. Mr. Dennis, manager of the mission, was present at the time of the sentence, and Burr was given into his charge.

Boodle Alderman Taken to Prison. New Orleans, Feb. 3.—After exhausting every legal device and quibbling, Numa Duboussat, one of the convicted boodle councilmen, was last evening taken to Baton Rouge and placed in the penitentiary to serve his one year sentence.

Not a Candidate for Governor. Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 3.—Congressman Benton McMullan announces that he will not make the race for the democratic gubernatorial nomination, but would stand for re-election as representative from the Fourth Tennessee district.

The Hyams Leave Canada. Buffalo, Feb. 3.—Harry and Dallas Hyams, acquitted on the charge of murder, and held at Toronto on several minor charges, and who were released on bail yesterday, arrived in this city last night. It is not expected that they will return to Canada.

Drowned While Skating. Providence, Feb. 3.—Frank Read, 11 years of age, was drowned while skating in Upper Kennedy's pond on the Woodward road yesterday afternoon.

WORK IN CONGRESS

Matters Likely To Be Considered During the Present Week

NO SESSION OF THE SENATE TO-DAY

Course of Procedure May Depend Upon Action of Finance Committee Upon the Tariff Bill—Jones' Action Still in Doubt.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The senate is not in session to-day, having adjourned over from Saturday until to-morrow. It has no unfinished business before it, and consequently the course of procedure during the week may depend largely upon the action of the committee on finance upon the tariff bill. Republicans hope to be able to report that measure to-morrow, but Mr. Jones of Nevada, who holds the balance of power in the committee and who has insisted upon the sugar schedule being raised in the same proportion as the other schedules, stated on Saturday that he thought the bill would not be ready to report on Tuesday. This said some hours after the free silver amendment had passed the senate, and is therefore regarded as indicating that Mr. Jones' opposition to the speedy reporting of the tariff bill has something besides silver, back of it. Mr. Dubois has kept his resolution providing for a distribution of the appropriation bills among the various committees in the background, because of his desire not to antagonize the silver bill. That being now out of the way, it is not unlikely that he may call this resolution up at an early day. The Cuban resolutions reported last week and the Davis resolution on the Monroe doctrine, both of which are on the calendar, may possibly be taken up, and if so will afford abundant opportunity for debate. The majority and minority reports in the Dupont case, involving the seat of a senator from Delaware, will be called up as a privileged question by Mr. Mitchell, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, at the first opportunity. For routine matters the senate has urgent deficiency and pension appropriation bills ready for consideration. Neither of them is likely to call for any great amount of discussion.

NEAL, MORSE & CO. ALL RIGHT

Report of the Failure of the Corporation Denied. Boston, Feb. 3.—Relative to the New York dispatch giving an alleged statement of the financial condition of the wholesale woolen firm of Neal, Morse & Co., Mr. Morse said to-day: "The company did not fail and was not embarrassed. Simply a change from a co-partnership to a corporation was suggested, and, as it was favorably considered by all interested, it was done. The New York persons mentioned have accepted, instead of being inclined to accept. The most embarrassing error in the story, however, is the statement that the liabilities are \$560,000, which would give the impression that there was a deficiency of \$54,000. The figures should be \$360,000 instead of \$560,000. We have a surplus of \$117,000 instead of a deficit. The corporation is in good shape."

House of Representatives

When the bond sale bill with the senate's free coinage amendment is reported in the house of representatives this afternoon it will probably be referred to the committee on ways and means, and if so, to-morrow, when that committee meets, it will undoubtedly recommend non-concurrence in the senate amendment. But whether or not this bill so amended shall be permitted to once engage the attention of the house to the exclusion of other business has not been determined. The probabilities are said to be that it will be sent to conference without much debate, and the house will proceed with the appropriation bills. The District of Columbia appropriation bill came up this morning as unfinished business for further, and it is hoped, final consideration. The agricultural appropriation bill is already on the calendar and the Indian and military bills are waiting to be reported from the committees having charge of their preparation. The foreign affairs committee will be ready at some time during the week to report the resolution censuring Ambassador Bayard for his speeches at Edinburgh and Boston, England, and an interesting debate will doubtless occur when that matter is called up for action.

MORE TROUBLE FOR MINERS

Pittsburg, Feb. 3.—The district executive board of the United Mine workers has adopted resolutions notifying the men to continue work until the joint committee of operators and miners meet to act on the circular just issued by President Dearnitt of the New York & Cleveland Gas Coal Company. This meeting will probably be held early this week, and their decision is anxiously awaited. In some quarters it is feared there will be no end of trouble and a general return of disagreeable conditions within the next few months as a result of the recent declaration of President Dearnitt to return to the fifty-nine cents a ton rate, instead of paying the "uniformity" rate of fifty-four cents a ton.

Gov. Morton's State Dinner

Albany, Feb. 3.—The state dinner which was to have been given by Gov. Morton at the executive mansion Feb. 4 to a number of prominent republicans and the democratic leader of each house of the legislature is off on account of the death of George Bliss, the governor's banker partner.

Bunker George Bliss Dead

New York, Feb. 3.—George Bliss, the senior member of the banking firm of Morton, Bliss & Co., died very suddenly at his home on Fifth avenue yesterday morning of paralysis of the heart, aged 80 years.

Death of Col. W. C. Knight

Richmond, Va., Feb. 3.—Col. William C. Knight, father-in-law of Gov. O'Connell, died in this city last evening, at an advanced age. He was a well-known writer on agricultural topics.

HIS UTTERANCES CONDENSED

Rev. Mr. Casson's Attack on the President

Lynn, Mass., Feb. 3.—The national utterances of Rev. Henry Casson at the services in the Labor church yesterday, when the minister condemned the administration of President Cleveland in the strict terms; and the resolutions endorsed by Senator Tillman, are generally proved here. The speaker commended upon the recent action of Senator Tillman and said that his address in the senate would never in the history of this country, following are the resolutions which were unanimously adopted at the services: "Resolved, That we endorse the brave and patriotic action of Senator Tillman; that we commend his charges against the democratic republican leaders to be true and proven, and that we pledge ourselves to uphold him and his few colleagues so long as they defend the rights of the people against the legal tyrannies and embellishments of the rich."

EIGHT KILLED; SIXTY WOUNDED

Roof of a Catholic Church in France Falls on the Worshipers. Paris, Feb. 3.—A terrible accident resulting in the killing of eight persons and the wounding of sixty, occurred yesterday at Manlevrier, a large town near Angers, in the department of Maine-et-Loire. The accident was due to the collapse of the roof of the church in which mass was being celebrated. The structure was completely filled, most of the worshippers being women and children. Sudden and with very little warning, walls began to sway, and before the congregation could get outside the roof descended upon the assemblage through beneath, and it is estimated that no more than eight persons were killed. The condition of some of the injured is so serious that it is feared they will die.

CHAPTER III—Continued

London, Feb. 3.—In its issue of the Daily News says it regrets the action of the committee on foreign relations of the American house of representatives in adopting a resolution censuring Ambassador Bayard for statements uttered by him in his recent speeches at Edinburgh and London. It adds that Mr. Bayard is exceedingly popular here, yet he is a consistent defender of American interests. The paper admits that his speeches contained unusual attacks upon the commercial system of his own government, but says that it hopes he will not retire, seeing that the resolution of censure was adopted by a party vote.

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