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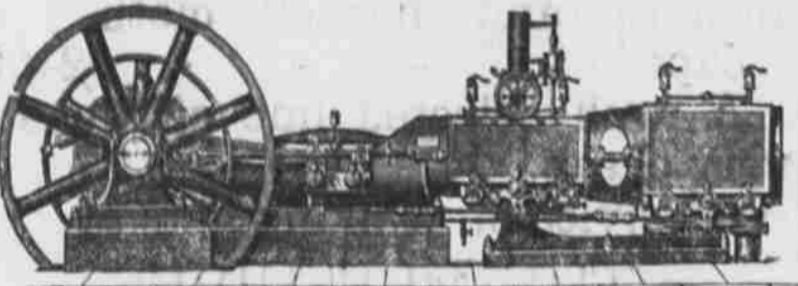
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GLOOMY OUTLOOK FOR FARMERS. WINNIPEG, Oct. 20.—Of an estimated yield of from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 bushels of wheat, it is now calculated that only about 8,000,000 will be threshed, and the balance standing in stacks and shocks is threatened with total destruction. The outlook is exceedingly gloomy. Farmers almost despair of saving the balance of their crops. It has been raining more or less steadily for the past three weeks, and incessantly since Saturday last.

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PROCLAMATION TO THE CUBANS

General Rodriguez Changes His Tone Regarding the Spanish Troops in Cuba.

STRONG PLEA FOR HARMONY

Cuban Soldiers Charged to Use Their Every Effort to Promote Peace—Big Boquet for Blanco.

HAVANA, via Key West, Oct. 20.—The Cuban General Maximo Rodriguez, before leaving for Santa Cruz del Sur to attend the Cuban assembly, issued a proclamation to his troops. It is known to have been written by the Marquis de Curruera, the Spanish commander at Mariño, with whom Rodriguez is on most intimate terms. The document, which bears the earmarks of the Spanish officer, is interesting as showing the change of language and tone the Cuban commander is ready to adopt today in speaking of his hated enemies of yesterday. The proclamation runs as follows:—

"Soldiers: During many consecutive years you have shared with the painful alternative of a formidable struggle, sustained in defense of our legitimate ideals against a powerful enemy, having in their favor, as a complement of their personal heroism, the dazzling military prestige of the illustrious general who today represents Spain in Cuba.

"If on every occasion I have admired your valor in action, your generosity in victory and your resignation in defeat, no less have I praised the subordination and discipline which could serve as an example to regular armies. Today, when the welfare of my country demands my leaving you for a while, I have to make some observations and give some advice, which, though possibly unnecessary, owing to your loyalty and abnegation, is always useful and advantageous.

"Remember that we have consecrated every effort and all of our energy to create an independent nation which shall figure as a free sovereign state in the concert of nations. Remember that we have raised and followed a stainless flag. Remember that it is imperative that a nationality be constituted, strong and vigorous, if the flag is to shine with all the splendor of glorious victory. To obtain that result will require exquisite prudence, special tact and delicate judgment.

"We have no longer enemies to fight, but brothers to recognize. On our country's altar there cannot be and should not be a sacrifice. Let us lay aside all sectarian, all party rivalry and differences of birth and proclaim that under the majestic shadow of the Cuban flag there is room for all honest men. From today forget the resentment that would bring to your minds painful recollections. We are already free. Let us become great through our virtues.

"In pitching our camp at Palayo de Marino, we depend not alone on our right, but also on the never wavering benevolence of the illustrious General Blanco, that renowned warrior, deserving our highest respect and most profound admiration, whose enlightened policy is most ably seconded and carried out by the civil governor of Havana and the military commander of Marino. Be careful to avoid clash or disagreement with the Spanish forces. They have but done their duty, like ourselves. They have defended their flag as we have ours.

"Be honest throughout, seeking the concord and harmony which lead to prosperity and greatness. In temporary and necessary conflicts, be just and fair, and was well nigh beside himself last night when he saw the grief of the friends and relatives of the unfortunate men who had hastened from Portland on the train.

First Assistant Engineer Arthur Bartholomew, formerly of this city, was in almost constant attendance upon the suffering men. When the tides burst the men in the engine room with him went forward, and he was left alone. He stood by his post, however, to receive orders from the captain. Just before the boat left Portland he said he would feel much safer in the fire-room than in the engine room, as his station is but three feet wide, while around it are wheels revolving at the rate of over 200 revolutions per minute. His many friends in Astoria will be pleased to learn that he escaped without the slightest injury.

FRIENDS ARRIVE FROM PORTLAND Many of the relatives of the men killed in the accident arrived from Portland on the night train, and the scene at the depot was indescribable. Ryan, one of the dead, had wired his wife at Portland at 5 o'clock in the afternoon that he was recovering, and when she arrived here last night she was told of his death. The woman's grief knew no bounds. Other relatives of the dead men were grief-stricken, as four of the unfortunates had died while the train was on the way from Portland.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST. Coroner Fohl held an inquest at 3 o'clock last night over the remains of Charles McNelly, Paul Luthie and Harry Wood. The purpose of the inquest was to formally and officially determine the manner in which the men met death, that the bodies might be shipped to Portland for burial. Dr. Thornton testified that the three men were scalded to death in the fire-room of the Davis, and the corpses were identified by Mrs. Assistant Engineer Bartholomew.

The inquest was held before the death of the other four men. The bodies of the three first-named will be sent to Portland this morning. The inquest was continued until 10 o'clock this morning, at which time a thorough investigation will be made.

The coroner's jury: J. T. Lacey, T. O. Trullinger, J. C. Swope, J. W. Douglas, E. E. Lewelling, and O. Boren.

INVESTING IN SANTIAGO. SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Oct. 20.—An American syndicate representing Detroit capital has purchased a large tract of land at Manzanillo, where there are several good iron mines.

DRUGGISTS DENOUNCE WAR TAX. ST. LOUIS, Oct. 20.—The new officers of the National Wholesale Druggists were elected today. Ex-Mayor Cyrus P. Walbridge, of St. Louis, was chosen president.

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This year's crop will produce 3,000,000 pounds of sugar on an conservative estimate. Today's tests show a greater percentage of sugar than from beets grown in any other county.

Mr. H. W. Scott, of Portland, inspected the works today and stated in an interview that Oregon had the best factory and had demonstrated the ability to grow the best beets in the United States and must grow beets and make sugar for the northwest.

COMMISSIONER APPOINTED. ROSEBURG, Ore., Oct. 20.—Judge E. D. Stratford, editor of the Plaindealer, has been appointed commissioner to Alaska to assist in adjusting the old Russian land claims. He will leave soon to assume the duties.

McKINLEY LEAVES CHICAGO. CHICAGO, Oct. 20.—President McKinley and the members of his party left for Washington tonight. The crowd that has followed him every time he has appeared in public was with him to the last and it required the efforts of 150 policemen to restrain the throng which packed the depot to suffocation.

INDIANS SURRENDER. WALKER, Minn., Oct. 20.—Eleven of the 20 Indians wanted by the authorities started for Duluth tonight under guard of soldiers and accompanied by Indian Commissioner Jones and Marshal O'Connor. Bug and his son refuse to surrender, but the Indians say they think they can bring them in. Marshal O'Connor is firm—convinced that Bug will never be captured. He said tonight: "I am thoroughly convinced that both he and his son were killed in the battle and I am sure that this is also the reason that Commissioner Jones says that he is well satisfied with his work here, but he admits that there is a strong possibility that this is the first outbreak of the Chipewas, will not be the last."

FORCED MODERATION. LONDON, Oct. 20.—The London morning papers have cooled down to an exceedingly cautious and conservative tone in dealing with the Pashoda question apparently realizing that the public on both sides of the channel is heated to the danger point.

RIGHTS OF PORTO RICANS. NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—A test will be made tomorrow of the rights of the native of Porto Rico residing in the United States to exercise the franchise without naturalization, the argument being advanced in their behalf that, by the raising of the American flag over Porto Rico Tuesday, they acquire the same status of native-born citizens of this country. It is said that about 1,000 unnaturalized natives of Porto Rico residing in this city alone will be affected by the determination of the question.

SEATTLE ASSAY OFFICE. SEATTLE, Oct. 20.—The deposit of Alaska gold at the government assay office in the last two days amounts to \$750,000. Since the assay office was opened in July the total receipts are \$3,255,000.

SAID TO BE IN PARIS. PARIS, Oct. 20.—An evening paper announces that Captain Dreyfus is already in Paris and is now confined in a fortress at Mont Valery, into which he was secretly brought.

Hold your dull life up to the light, and see how it will be transfigured. Life is not meant to be a path of ease, but steep and rugged, and it is only through self-denial, discouragement, discipline and trial that you may attain the higher life. Believe me, you can no more develop the spiritual powers without use and exercise than you can the physical.—Light on the Hidden Way.

The railway systems in the United States employ 250,000 locomotives, 25,000 passenger cars and 800 mail and baggage cars. These figures seem large till the number of freight cars is stated, which is 1,250,000.

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