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ALL IS QUIET AGAIN.

The Department Officials Say There is No Ground for Apprehension.

A MONUMENT FOR WASHINGTON.

The Eastern States Experience a Very Severe Snow Storm.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE TO STOCK.

France and the Pope Liable to be Mixed Up—A Wholesale Hanging.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—There can be no doubt of the desire of the officers of the state and navy departments to allay any apprehension of war between the United States and Chili that may have been caused by alarming newspaper publications. Secretary Tracy said the war-like stories are without foundation, and that there is nothing in the situation to warrant their acceptance. The officers of the state department are non-communicative of news but took such optimistic views of the situation as to warrant the belief, strengthened by the fact that Secretaries Blaine and Tracy have today been in consultation with the president, that some news of a most reassuring character has been received from the American representative in Chili.

A Monument to General Washington.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 26.—Today is the 15th anniversary of the revolutionary battle of Trenton, and it was made more notable by the laying of the corner stone of a monument to the memory of Washington and the continental troops who after crossing the ice in the Delaware during Christmas night, surprised and routed the Hessians. Governor Abbott laid the stone at noon while a salute of forty-four guns was fired. An indoor meeting was held at Taylor opera house. General William J. Sewell presided at the meeting, and after a short introductory address, United States Senator McPherson, General Horace Barter, of New York and ex-Secretary of the Navy Robeson spoke. The monument will cost about \$50,000 dollars.

A Severe Snow Storm.

All day yesterday a blizzard prevailed throughout Nebraska. The weather turned intensely cold and the wind blew at a terrific rate, and snow fell in great quantities. Traffic on all railroads in the state is seriously retarded and in many cases along the western division of the Union Pacific trains are blocked. The snow has drifted furiously. Stock has suffered intensely but the farmers feel partially compensated for the loss of their stock in the fact of having their winter wheat well protected. In the interior portion a heavy fall of snow occurred before it turned so cold, consequently the winter grain is well protected. The storm extended throughout Kansas, Colorado, Wyoming and the Dakotas. In Wyoming the loss of stock is reported as unusually large with a complete train blockade.

It May Cause Trouble.

ROME, Dec. 26.—The directors today say it is the intention of the pope to confer the grand order of the cross of Christ upon the arch bishop of Aix, as a token of the sympathy of his holiness with the arch bishop in the latter's recent invitation and fine for writing an insulting letter to the French minister of public worship, should the director's information prove correct, it means the pope's defiance to the government and that a serious outcome may be anticipated in the near future.

A Wholesale Hanging.

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 26.—It is reported that while a posse in charge of the Sims party were enroute to Butler last night, a mob of Choctaw country men overpowered the guard and hanged three of the men, Bob Sims, Tom Savage and Young Savage. It is reported that another of the Savage boys were hanged at the same time. This is in addition to John Savage, who was hanged Christmas eve.

A Cool Way of Doing It.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—A very singular suicide took place this morning in the Main street hardware store. A young man, well dressed, came in and bought a revolver, and asked to have it loaded. He then took it, raised it to his temple,

and fired, dying almost instantly. He was afterwards identified as Robert Moore, aged 24, the son of a wealthy contractor of this city.

A Bad Kind of a Present.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 26.—William Reese and Sadie Brown were to have been married today, and yesterday she made him a Christmas present of a revolver. This morning he called at her home for the wedding, but for some cause Sadie wanted to back out and he shot and killed the woman with her own Christmas present. Reese then escaped.

Insane Asylum Burned.

PONTIAC, Mich., Dec. 26.—A fire broke out in the north wing of the insane asylum here at 1:30 today and is still burning. Assistance was asked from Detroit and other neighboring towns. The inmates of the north wing were removed with great difficulty.

Saved the Inmates.

DETROIT, Dec. 26.—The reports from the insane asylum fire at Pontiac, are meagre, as to the particulars, but it is said that all of the 400 inmates were saved. The last reports are that the whole structure is doomed. The loss will be about \$750,000.

Fined for Contempt.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 26.—A. Holt, publisher of the *Echo*, a religious journal, issued in this city, was today fined \$1000 for contempt in publishing a statement reflecting upon the court. He was committed to prison until further order of the court is made.

Washington News.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Representative Wright, of Pennsylvania is recovering from an attack of la grippe. Congressman Mills condition remains unchanged. There has been no change in Speaker Crisp's condition and he is still confined to his room.

An Expected Lynching.

MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 26.—A telegram via Desota, Miss., was received this morning giving news of the surrender of Bob Sims, Christmas afternoon, to a sheriff's posse. The impression prevails that the guard will be overpowered and the prisoners lynched.

Can't Fight.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Superintendent of Police Murray, announced today that he would not allow Charlie Mitchell and Jim Corbett to fight in the early part of next month at Madison square garden.

A Murderer Dead.

CONCORD, N. H., Dec. 26.—Isaac Sawtelle, who murdered his brother Hiram, died of apoplexy this morning at the state prison.

An Excellent Impression Produced.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—A dispatch to the *Times* from Santiago, Chili, says that the speech of President Harrison at the reception of the Chilean minister produced an excellent impression. The last act of the provincial government has been to present in the senate a proposed law, granting amnesty to the followers of the late President Balmaceda, an exception, however, being made of the members of Balmaceda's congress. The judge of crimes' report in the matter of the attack on the Baltimore sailors to the effect that the Chilean police did their duty, and that two Chileans, who were guilty in connection with the affair are to be punished by imprisonment.

Mother and Child Burned.

REDDING, Cal., Dec. 24.—A 2-year-old child upset a coal oil lamp at the house of a Mr. Condon about 6 o'clock this morning. Her mother in trying to extinguish the flames on the child, caught fire and immediately ran out of the house. Lying down on the ground she commenced rolling over, attempting to extinguish the flames, but without success. Her clothing was burned off and she was badly burned. She cannot survive longer than a few hours. The child was slightly burned on the back, but will recover.

Threw Herself in Front of the Engine.

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Dec. 24.—A horrible suicide took place at the railway station here yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Annie Hayes, widow of Edward Hayes, of Worcester square, had just arrived from Boston to pass the holidays with her husband's relatives, when a train from Portland came into the station. As it approached, Mrs. Hayes ran and threw herself before the engine, being cut in pieces before the eyes of the horrified crowd. Mrs. Hayes was 38 years old and had no children.

The Result of Carelessness.

JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Dec. 24.—J. B. Holsinger was terribly injured this morning by the explosion of powder in the jewelry store in the Bowser building. The powder was under the counter and a spark dropped into it from a match that Holsinger had lighted just over it. The jewelry store and Bowser's grocery store in the same building were badly wrecked.

MEXICAN REVOLUTION.

The Rebels are Having a Hard Time to Hold Their Own.

THE TEXAS RANGERS CALLED OUT.

Jorge Montt is Formally Declared President of Chili.

AFTER THE DELINQUENTS.

The Subscribers to the World's Fair Will Have to Pay up—Arranging a Compromise.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 24.—The Mexican consul received a telegram today from General Garcia, military commander of the northern zone, stating that the troops encountered a detachment of Catarina Garcia's revolutionary forces near Mier, Mexico, yesterday. A battle was fought, in which a number were killed and wounded on each side. The revolutionists were routed and retreated across the river into Texas. Two troops of United States cavalry left here by special train today and will take the field at once.

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 24.—In answer to a request from Major-General Stanley, commanding the troops in this state, asking co-operation on account of the Garza invasion from Mexico and the killing of Corporal Edston by Garza's band on Texas soil, Governor Hoegg ordered all the Texas rangers available to march at once to the scene of conflict.

Formally Proclaimed President.

VALPARAISO, Chili, Dec. 24.—Congress today, after a careful scrutiny of the recent electoral vote, formally proclaimed Jorge Montt Balmaceda's successor as president of Chili. Probably the new cabinet will include: Ramon Barros Lucas, as minister of the interior; Francisco Vergara, now manager of the bank of Valparaiso, as minister of finance, and Blane Viel, an able, bright man, as minister of foreign affairs; to succeed Matta, whose reply to the American government's demand for redress in the Baltimore affair called forth President Harrison's criticism in his recent message. Augustin Edwards, the banker and one of the foremost men in the conservative party, will probably retain his present position of minister of public works.

Delinquent Subscribers Must Pay Up.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—It will be a sorry Christmas for many delinquent subscribers to the world's fair stock. This morning nearly 200 executions were put in the hands of constables, with instructions to levy on the property of those who have not paid up. The constables were told to serve the writs of attachment at once, and accept no explanations nor promises from the delinquents. This vigorous policy is made necessary by the large demands made on Treasurer Seeburger by the contractors at Jackson park. The funds of the world's fair are lower now than they have been at any time since the first assessment was ordered. Treasurer Seeburger has less than \$700,000 to the credit of the exposition in the banks of Chicago.

Mrs. Blaine Insists Upon a Separation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—For several days past the friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Blaine, jr., have been using every exertion to smooth over the domestic troubles of the couple and prevent the divorce suit coming to trial. All these efforts, however, will have to be abandoned, as apparently nothing less than a decree on the ground of abandonment will satisfy Mrs. Blaine. This decision was only arrived at yesterday afternoon, when the persons particularly interested had debated the subject for several hours.

Two Englishmen Fined.

ST. ETIENNE, Dec. 26.—John Cooper and Walter Beldnell, two Englishmen arrested in November for offering to bribe the workmen of the arms factory here to procure samples of the new French and Russian carbines, have been convicted. Cooper was sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment and a fine of \$900, and Beldnell to two months' imprisonment and a fine of \$200.

Trouble Still Exists.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—In spite of the peaceful official assurances from Rio Janeiro, a telegram states that hostile governments exist in Rio Grande de Sul and Sao Paulo, due to the dissatisfaction over the results achieved under the republic.

A Narrow Escape.

UNION, Or., Dec. 24.—An old lady named Taylor came near being burned to death last night at the home of her son-in-law, Vince Reeves, who resides in North Union. She was alone in the

room, and in putting some wood in the stove, her dress caught fire and was blazing up around her when, fortunately, Mr. Reeves arrived on the scene and with the aid of blankets smothered the flames. The old lady's face and hands were badly but not fatally burned.

WILL SOON SETTLE.

The Chilean Trouble to be Brought to a Conclusion.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The early settlement of the existing difficulties with Chili is confidently expected by officials here. What the nature of the settlement will be depends entirely upon the government of Chili. The policy of waiting adopted by this government for the reason that the difficulties that led to the present condition of things occurred under the administration of the provisional junta or government in Chili which might not present in any degree the belief of the people when the matters are fairly put before them, but it has never been proposed or conceived even, that Chili would not be held to a strict accountability for the unfortunate and wanton attacks by the Valparaiso mob upon the Baltimore's men, resulting in the death of two of them. That will be vigorously pressed at the proper time and in a proper way. The time has now arrived. Today the provisional government gives way to the new government under President Montt, elected since the fall of Balmaceda and the success of the congressionalists. It has been hoped by President Harrison and Secretary Blaine that in the new cabinet minister of foreign affairs might be found a man who would not reflect views of the radical element in the country, which is evidently bent on refusing to make suitable reparation for the attacks upon the Baltimore's sailors and subsequent indignities heaped upon Minister Egan and occupants of the United States legation. This hope has been encouraged by the expressions of Minister Montt, who, in all his communications with the state department, has given assurances of the pacific intention of the Chilean government.

The Southern Pacific Strike.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Acting Chief Ramsey, of the order of railway telegraphers, says the continuance of hostile methods depends entirely upon the action of the Southern Pacific people. He plans to have a talk with them soon. Assistant General Superintendent Pratt said today that no appointment for a conference had yet been made. He said further that everything on the system is going on as usual, and no prolonged difficulty with telegraphers or train men is anticipated.

A Train Robber Captured.

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 26.—A skirmish occurred Thursday afternoon in the mountains south of here between Sheriff Hensley and Deputy Sheriff McArdie and Gratton Dalton and Riley Dean, escaped train-robbers. Dean was surprised in the mountains on the way to his hiding place and compelled to surrender without a shot. Dalton, however, discovered the officers, and a couple of shots were exchanged, after which Dalton escaped.

The Russian Wheat Crop.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—The ministry has issued a report regarding the condition of winter wheat recently sown. According to this report the condition is satisfactory in all the Russian provinces in central Asia, including many of the famine-stricken districts. In Northern Russia and in the Crimea the crop is in medium condition, while in southern Russia it is unsatisfactory.

The New Orleans Affair.

ROME, Dec. 26.—According to the *Voce d'Italia*, in this city, the negotiations of Rudini with the government at Washington have progressed so far that the Italian government is about to appoint a successor to Baron Fava, minister to the United States. It is understood that a satisfactory settlement of the New Orleans matter is now assured.

Pacific Coast Failures.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—The Bradstreet mercantile agency reports twenty-four failures in the Pacific coast states and territories of the week ended today, as compared with twenty-one for the previous week, and seventeen for the corresponding week of 1890.

The Boston at Valparaiso.

VALPARAISO, Chili, Dec. 24.—The United States steamer Boston arrived here today. It is stated that the supreme court will soon hand down a decision in the Baltimore case, and that the government then will settle with the United States.

Arranging a Compromise.

BRUNOS AYRES, Dec. 24.—Generals Mitre and Rica are treating with each other for a resumption of the conciliatory policy as desired by the supporters of each, in order to counteract the efforts of the radicals.

Will Contest a Seat.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—According to *Figaro* the conservatives of Brest have chosen the archbishop of Aix, who was recently fined for seditious conduct to contest the seat in the chamber just left vacant by the death of Bishop Frebber.

PREPARING FOR WHAT?

Indications Are Very Suggestive, but the War Rumor is Denied.

THE WAR DEPARTMENT CALM.

The Mexican Revolution is Causing Considerable Anxiety.

A COWBOY'S IDEA OF FUN.

Supposed to Be Chilean Spies—Portland's Bridge Committee Ahead—Committing Suicide.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Secretary Tracy's office presented a busy scene this morning. Within an hour he saw Senator Allison, chairman of the senate committee on appropriation. Senator Cameron chairman of the committee on naval affairs, Senator Butler, a member of the same committee, Senators Frye and Hale, Chief Constructor Wilson, Chief Engineer Melville, Captain Phillips, who is to command the new cruiser New York, Lieutenant Mason, Executive officer of the same vessel, Commodore Folger, chief of ordnance, Commander Chadwick, and lastly Charles Cramp, ship builder. Notwithstanding this sign of official activity and the reports printed of the unusual work at the navy yard, the officials of the navy department deny that there is the least speck of a war cloud on the diplomatic horizon. Assistant Secretary Tracy said that he had all ready expressed his views as to the navy yard. When asked where the San Francisco was bound he declined to give a definite answer, but when reminded that the last time she went out for "a year's practice" as reported by the department, she had next been heard of at Valparaiso, he said that the vessel had no orders for Chili. The naval officer who should know, when asked if the cruiser was bound for Acapulco, replied that she would not go as far south as Mexico. He also stated that the Baltimore is now possibly north of Panama, on her way to San Francisco.

At the department of state matters moved along in the usual serene fashion, and there is not a trace of war-like excitement. The officials say that nothing has been heard from Minister Egan since the 23rd inst.

At the war department neither acting Secretary Grant nor Major General Schofield had any information, in fact the only sign of warlike preparation visible at the executive departments consisted in an order issued Saturday for the immediate preparation of the new 12 inch gun just completed at the navy yard here for transportation to California together with 4000 pounds of powder and 11,000 shells.

Senator Montt the Chilean minister called at the department of state at noon, he had an interview with Secretary Blaine for half an hour.

The Mexican Revolution Causing Anxiety.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Acting Secretary Grant said today that he regarded the situation on the Mexican frontier as serious, and that the war department is exerting itself to prevent any further violations of the neutrality laws by Garcia's band of revolutionists. If it is necessary to prevent these men from crossing backwards and forwards between the Mexican and the United States military force under General Stanley's command will be distributed along the north bank of the Rio Grande. It is said at the war department that Garcia's movement is gaining strength.

A Cow Boy's Idea of Fun.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, Dec. 28.—Half a dozen cow boys took possession of the south bound passenger train on the International and great Northern rail road last night. They boarded the train at Buda station and their first act was to force a Chicago drummer off the moving train because he wore a red cravat and a high silk hat. They then made a number of young ladies in the pullman coach sing for them. Enforcing all the demands with drawn pistols. They ruled the train for about twenty miles, when they stepped off at the way station.

Supposed to Be Chilean Spies.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—A morning paper says: "An officer of General Miles' staff received a telegram late last evening from his brother, a United States sailor, stationed at San Francisco, telling him

of the arrest there yesterday of two foreigners, one a Spaniard and the other a Chilean, who had been there for the past three weeks, and acted in a manner to cause suspicion. They were arrested on the charge of vagrancy, though they are strongly suspected of being Chilean spies.

The City Won the Suit.

PORTLAND, Dec. 28.—Judge Deady's court this morning rendered a decision in the case of the Rollins investment company against the Portland bridge committee. The question at issue was whether a temporary restraining injunction should be issued preventing the bridge committee from issuing bonds pending the suit. The decision was in favor of the city. The Rollins investment company was given ten days to file an amended complaint.

Slow Way of Committing Suicide.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Edward M. Field neither eats or drinks and is growing weaker every day. He passed a restless night, and this morning refused to take breakfast. He complains of pains in the head, but he refuses to touch medicine.

A Good Deal Short.

WARRENTON, Va., Dec. 28.—A statement of the affairs of Rosenberger, Spender & Co., of New Market, Va., bankers, who had branches here and in two other towns, places their combined shortage at \$100,000.

Six Men Saved.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The steamer Arago arrived from Coos Bay this morning, with Captain Marshall and five of the crew of the wrecked steamer, *Maggie Ross*.

Diphtheria in a Dreadful Form.

CASS CITY, Mich., Dec. 26.—Diphtheria is raging here in a dreadful form. Twenty deaths have occurred this week. In the house of Fred Assen today the father, mother and two daughters were found dead. They had not been seen for several days, and when the neighbors investigated this afternoon the whole family were dead.

Tortured by Thieves.

STOCKTON, Cal., Dec. 27.—News was received at the sheriff's office here today that two men went to the house of Vincent Glenn, a farmer, near Newhope, on Christmas eve, at about 8 o'clock, bound him and tortured him until 3 o'clock in the morning in an effort to make him tell where his money was. They got \$80 that he had in his pocket.

The War Against Christians.

TEHRAN, Dec. 26.—The priests still maintain their interdiction against the use of tobacco, and the people obey them implicitly. A dangerous feature of the matter is the attitude taken against Christians. The walls of the city are placarded with appeals to the Moslems calling upon them to unite forces and exterminate Christians.

A Close Inspection Ordered.

ROME, Dec. 26.—The *Osservatore Romano* says that strict instructions have been issued by the government to the effect that pork imported from the United States henceforth be carefully inspected, owing to the fact that some of the meat has been found to be infected with trichina.

The Bondsmen Must Pay.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 24.—Judge Lichtenberg today decided that the bondsmen of ex County Treasurer George D. Hill must pay the deficit of \$29,143.60 on his last term of office. The bondsmen have already been mulcted for \$25,000 for the shortage on his first and \$10,000 on his second term, making about \$64,000 in all.

A Chess Match Arranged.

HAVANA, Dec. 24.—The details of the great chess match for \$2000 a side between William Steinitz and M. Teshigorn has been arranged, and the game will begin on New Year's Day. Great interest is felt in the contest, and the Havanaese, who are given to betting, are preparing to wager largely on it.

A Beauty of Pompeii.

Charles A. Dana of the *New York Sun*, is a good reporter as well as editor. He has just come back from another trip to Enrope.

"The most beautiful thing that I saw," said he to a *New York Press* interviewer, "was the body of a young girl in Pompeii. She lay face downward, with her face resting upon her arms, perhaps asleep. The accident which wiped out a city did not disturb her. Ashes from the volcano settled down on her, packed with the weight of centuries, and when with time her body had crumbled to a handful of dust the ashes and powder from the volcano formed a perfect mold of her form. Of this mold the marvellously skillful men working at the restoration of the dead city have taken a cast, which I saw. The young girl, who might have been 20 years old, was clad in a single garment. No more beautiful form was ever imagined by a sculptor."