

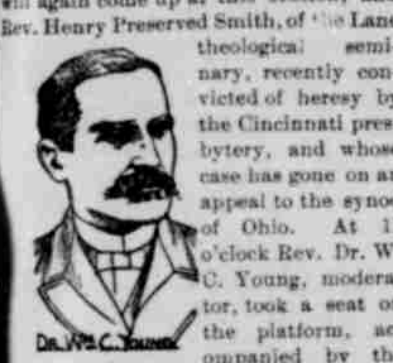
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Briggs Case Will Again Be Brought Up.

IMMENSE CROWD IN ATTENDANCE

The 10th Annual Session of the Presbytery Begun in New York City... Minor Mention.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The Presbyterian general assembly met in its 10th annual session in New York-avenue church this morning. The church was unable to contain the throng which wished to witness the proceedings. Among the noticeable features in the assembly was Rev. Dr. Briggs, of the Union theological seminary, whose hearing on questions touching his orthodoxy will again come up at this session, and Rev. Henry Preserved Smith, of the Lane theological seminary, recently convicted of heresy by the Cincinnati presbytery, and whose case has gone on an appeal to the synod of Ohio. At 11 o'clock Rev. Dr. W. C. Young, moderator, took a seat on the platform, accompanied by the secretaries and clerks. After singing, reading the scriptures and Dr. Young delivered the annual sermon. After the announcements, a recess was taken until 3 p. m.



Rev. Dr. Briggs

The Chinese Feel Better.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.—A local paper says a reporter visited the offices of the six companies and the consular yesterday, and was surprised to find that the gloom of last Monday, caused by the news of the United States supreme court decision, was not only dispelled, but that even a degree of cheerfulness bordering upon mockery had taken its place. That the Chinese are laughing at us is the true explanation of the situation at present. They boldly say they will get rid of their sick and useless Chinese at the expense of the United States, and will keep their well and healthy men and women, and yet they obey the Gentry act in the spirit and letter. Li, the consul, sent one telegram yesterday to China which cost upward of \$200, and in addition sent numerous cipher messages to Washington. He was not only in good humor but even jolly, and it is only possible that there is another "nigger in the woodpile" that the Mongolians expect to produce when necessary. Certain it is that they intend to give the people of the United States all the trouble possible without violating a single clause in the Gentry act. They will furnish Chinese enough for deportation to use up every cent of the \$70,000 appropriation for the deportation of the Celestials, and it is more than probable that the subjects for deportation furnished will need an immense amount of care and be in such a condition that no steamship company will consent to receive them as passengers. Once in the hands of the United States officers, the Chinese will absolutely refuse to have anything more to do with their sick and maimed, and will lay the burden of their care and safety upon the people.

A Presbyterian Surprise.

CINCINNATI, May 17.—A surprise will be sprung upon the Presbyterian general assembly to meet in Washington. At the breakfast tendered Dr. Roberts, the deposed Briggsite, professor at Lane university, yesterday, 80 letters addressed to him from prominent Presbyterian divines all over the country were suppressed. It is said these letters urged the professor to be a candidate for moderator, thus precipitating the Briggs case at the very opening of the assembly.

Dazed With the World.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., May 19.—[Special.]—The pardon and release of Donald Cheek from the penitentiary here, after serving 23 years of a life sentence, recalls a murder, mob violence and desperate resistance bordering on the marvellous. Briefly the record of his life is this: When 27 years old, in a fit of anger he killed his father-in-law, Mr. Harrison, a distant relative of ex-President Harri-

son, on Sept. 12, when he voluntarily surrendered himself to the authorities at Lawrenceburg, Ind.

He was twice condemned to death and finally sentenced to life imprisonment at the Jeffersonville prison from where he was pardoned. Twice a mob surrounded the prison where he was confined at Lawrenceburg and after he was condemned to death a third mob broke into the prison and tore open his cell.

Here he did a remarkable thing. He broke his bed and with the leg of it felled the leader of the mob, took his pistol and firing into the crowd drove it panic stricken out of the jail. He then calmly delivered the pistol to the warden and returned to his cell. He has always been a trusty, and never in all his prison life was known to break a promise made. In a talk with a reporter and speaking of his freedom he said the strangest thing about it all was the bigness of everything.

"For 23 years I have seen nothing but prison walls, where I could take in the whole scene at a glance. When I got outside and looked about, my eyes felt as if they would fly out of my head, and my head felt as if it was swelling and getting bigger. For days I had a fearful headache over my eyes, as if they were trying to rise in my head.

"I have all but suffered death. The awful sensation of not being able to make plans for the future. At times I would forget and go to thinking what I would do when I got out of jail, and then like the deadening blow of a hot sledgehammer on my brain would come the awful thought that I would never get out. I have practically been dead and am now born again. I am dazed with everything."

Chinese Deported From Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., May 18.—The United States commissioner released three Chinese, captured here while en route to Portland. The commissioner said the only law they were violating was the Gentry law. Two Chinese, claiming to be merchants at Portland, who came on the steamer Victoria and taken off here on writ of habeas corpus, were today ordered deported. An appeal will be taken to the United States court.

Blondin, the Strong Man, Dead.

SARASOTA LAKE, N. Y., May 18.—One of the feats performed by Blondin, the strong man with Cole's circus, was holding together two strong horses pulling in opposite directions. Last night two horses unaccustomed to the performance were tried. They reared and plunged, and Blondin, in endeavoring to hold them, burst a blood vessel and died soon after.

Daughters of the American Revolution.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—[Special.]—The department of the Daughters of the American Revolution meets today in the Art Palace, Chicago, under the auspices of the woman's branch of the world's congress auxiliary. President General Mrs. Stevenson will preside.

Damage to Railroads.

PITTSBURG, May 18.—It is estimated that the damage sustained by railroads in the flooded districts of Ohio and Pennsylvania is over \$1,000,000. Railway communication is generally cut off in these districts owing to the washout of bridges and culverts, and submergence of the track.

Mohican's Officers Think Annexation is Not to Be Had.

TACOMA, May 18.—The United States steamship Mohican arrived in Port Townsend from Honolulu. The officers say the appointment of Blount to succeed Stevens as minister has given the annexationists a severe set-back. The royalists are gaining strength by the attitude of Blount. It is now considered improbable that annexation will be made during the present administration. Since Blount's arrival Stevens has been completely snubbed and ignored, his advice or counsel not being taken on any subject.

The Mohican's officers confirm the statement that Mills, private secretary to Blount, is engaged to the sister of the rich Chinese, Marie Ah Fong, whose sister is to marry Commander Whitney of the United States steamship Alliance. The Mohican completes the American fleet that will do duty in Behring sea the coming season.

River Rises Rapidly.

SPOKANE, May 18.—The rain of Tuesday evening cut the snow in the mountains more than warm sunshine would have done, and the river had risen seven inches in the 12 hours before 7 o'clock yesterday morning. It kept rising steadily all day yesterday.

IT WILL BE ENFORCED

Cleveland Will Carry Out the Gentry Law.

AS FAR AS FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE

Chinese Attorneys Hope for a Stay of Proceedings, and Repeal of The Law.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—President Cleveland and his cabinet have arrived at a definite conclusion as to the action to be taken with reference to the Chinese exclusion act. The president and members of his cabinet, who have charge of this matter, have decided to put the law into operation provided the attorneys for the Chinese Six Companies do not obtain a stay by bringing forward additional legal obstacles. Attorney Riordan proposes, if possible, to carry back from the supreme court to the circuit court, from which the appeal came, the mandate of the court to carry the law into effect. This point may not be successful, but is a very important one. The attorneys assume that it will sufficiently delay action until congress meets again, and then it is hoped by the attorney of the Chinese, and probably by that government's officials, that at least that provision of the Gentry act providing for the deportation of the Chinese will be repealed. In the event that no further stay can be secured by the attorneys of the Chinese, there is no longer any question but what the administration will attempt to carry out the provisions of the Gentry act just as far as it is possible for them to do with the money on hand to pay the necessary expenses. This action was determined upon at a conference between President Cleveland and Secretaries Carlisle and Gresham and Attorney-General Olney yesterday.

She Loves the Chinese.

CHICAGO, May 19.—The National Editorial Association today chose Asbury Park, N. J., the next place of meeting. Papers were read, and addresses made by Emory Herbert and Colonel F. B. Anthony, of Kansas; Joseph M. Chappell, of Ashland, Wis. William E. Pabor, of Florida, read a poem. Isabella Beecher Hooker was introduced by the chair, and said: "I came here to arouse indignation. My husband writes me that the supreme court has sustained the wicked anti-Chinese Gentry act. I protest in the name of Thomas Hooker, one among those who framed the first free constitution on earth. We, his descendants, claim to know something about constitutions. The United States constitution is based on justice to all people. What kind of justice is it to prosecute the Chinese as long as they are law-abiding? It is not the justice of Christ. All these Oriental people with their beautiful religion should send missionaries to us to teach us Christianity. When you destroy the liberty of the Chinamen you insult your God." Mrs. Hooker also spoke warmly against the Sunday closing of the world's fair.

EXPORT AND IMPORT STATISTICS.

A Very Large Decrease in the Former and Increase in the Latter.

WASHINGTON, May 18.—The chief of the bureau of statistics in his statement to the secretary of the treasury reports that the total value of the exports of merchandise from the United States during the 12 months ending April 30th, 1893, were \$488,584,427, a decrease of \$162,748,746 from the preceding year. The value of imports during the same period was \$926,151,988, an increase of \$94,066,617. The exports and imports of gold and silver for the same period and in comparison with the same months of the previous year were:

	1892-3.	1891-2.
Gold—Exports	\$10,000,000	\$20,411,702
Imports	19,541,000	20,392,925
Silver—Exports	\$9,498,036	\$20,344,839
Imports	\$36,000,707	\$29,755,573
Total Exports	19,498,036	40,756,541
Total Imports	55,641,707	50,148,508

This showing is the worst made by the government in years.

A MISSING MAN FOUND.

But He Had Been Dead and Buried for Some Time.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., May 19.—March 21 A. Potter, of San Jacinto, left home for Oregon, having \$2,000 on his person with which he expected to close a real estate deal. Since that time no trace of him has been found. Eight days after Potter's departure a body was found near this city with a bullet hole in the forehead. At that time no intimation was given that the body was that of Potter, who was not then supposed to be dead. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict to the effect that the man had been murdered and was unknown. The wife

and son of the missing man, hearing of the case, made an investigation, and today the body was exhumed. It was unrecognizable, but her son said it was his father and identified him by his shoes. Mrs. Potter is heartbroken and says her husband was murdered for his money. Others are of the opinion that the body is not Potter's.

The Agricultural Department.

W. J. BUCHANAN.

W. J. Buchanan, chief of the agricultural department of the world's fair, was born in Miami county, Ohio, in 1833. Like most country boys, he attended school during the winter months and worked on the farm in the summer. In 1870 he removed to Rochester, Ind., and lived with his grandfather, who was a farmer. In 1871 he learned the trade of making edged tools. He was appointed engraving clerk in the Indiana house of Representatives in 1872, and served two terms. In 1881 he removed to Sioux City, Iowa, where he has since been prominently connected with the leading enterprises of that city. He was instrumental in establishing the celebrated "coal palace" in 1887. In December, 1891, he was appointed to the position he now holds.

A. B. HURT.

A. B. Hurt has been secretary of the agricultural department of the world's fair ever since its organization. He was born in Mississippi and was a member of the legislature of that state when he was 23 years of age. Later he was secretary of the committee of postoffices and postroads, and superintendent of railway adjustments in the post-office department. During the Fiftieth congress he was door-keeper of the United States house of representatives, an office having more than 150 employes. At the expiration of his term he removed to Chattanooga, Tenn., and engaged in the newspaper business, and is at present president of the News Publishing Co., of that city.

World's Fair Rates.

CHICAGO, May 19.—A meeting of the general managers called to settle the world's fair rates in the west discussed the subject all day and finally left the matter in the hands of the committee of seven, which will report tomorrow. The committee has no power of settlement and will do nothing but recommend. Several roads in the Western Passenger Association are seriously considering a reduction of west-bound rates, if the Atchison persists in reducing its tariff into Chicago.

High Water in the Couer d'Alene.

WALLACE, Idaho, May 18.—The Couer d'Alene river is higher than ever known before. Railroad tracks are badly washed out. No trains today. Some damage is done in Burke and Gem. Little damage has been done in Wallace. Tonight will be cold and the river will lower tomorrow.

Must Reside in the State.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 17.—The assistant attorney-general has decided that every insurance policy on Kansas property must be written in the state, and every agent of the company, special or otherwise, must reside in the state.

Spurgeon Going to Chicago.

LONDON, May 20.—[Special.]—Thomas Spurgeon sailed from Auckland, New Zealand, for San Francisco today. He will pass several days in Chicago and assist Dwight Moody in evangelical work in that city.

An Armistice Agreed Upon.

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Unofficial advices are received at the state department that an armistice has been agreed upon between the government and the revolutionists in Nicaragua. The news is believed to be true.

Students' Excursion.

PORTLAND, May 20.—[Special.]—The students of the university made an excursion on the Harvest Queen to Multnomah falls and Brownsville today. The object of the excursion is not money, but a gala day for the students and their friends.

Jews in Russia.

MERV, May 19.—A new ukase has been issued, expelling the Jews from the Asiatic provinces of Russia. It will cause widespread suffering.

CHANGE OF OFFICERS

Secretary of the Navy Herbert Issues an Important Order.

GHERARDI ASSIGNED SHORE DUTY

Philadelphia to Come to the Coast in Place of the San Francisco Which Remains East.

WASHINGTON, May 20.—Secretary Herbert today signed orders making a number of important naval changes. Admiral Gherardi was ordered to haul down his flag on the Philadelphia the 31st inst. and assume command of the Brooklyn navy yard. The same day Admiral Walker will lower his flag on the Chicago and go on a leave for three months. Admiral Benham will transfer his flag from the Newark to the San Francisco and assume command of the North Atlantic squadron. Commodore Erben, on being relieved of the command of the New York navy-yard by Admiral Gherardi, will raise his flag on the Chicago and prepare to go to the European station, which he will command. The Philadelphia will go to the Pacific ocean in the place of the San Francisco, which will become the flagship of the North Atlantic squadron. No vessel nor commandant has as yet been selected for the South Atlantic. The Charleston will go to the Pacific and the Baltimore to the Asiatic station, leaving the San Francisco, Miantonomoh, Atlanta, Kearsarge and Vesuvius to constitute the home squadron. The command of the South Atlantic station will be given to some officer now on shore duty, and it is believed Admiral Walker will be given command of the Mare island yard when his leave expires.

ROSLYN BANK ROBBERS.

After a Short Chase They Were Recaptured.

ELLENSBURG, Wash., May 21.—At 3 o'clock this afternoon a bold break for freedom was made by George McCarthy and Ras Lewis, alias "Diamond Dick," the Roslyn bank robbers, who were confined in Ellensburg jail awaiting trial, which takes place tomorrow. The time chosen for the escape was when they were given the freedom of the jail corridors after dinner. They made quick work during the short period, drilling a hole alongside the screen window grating on the west side of the building. A short double-pointed crowbar was used for the purpose of effecting the escape, and as the wall is built of brick and very thin, it readily yielded, and a hole large enough for a man to crawl through was soon made. They then scaled the fence and secured arms which were concealed under the side walk. Their faces were blacked, but they were detected as they were running up an alley on the north of the jail, when Ed Grady and Mose Bowman, two citizens, shot at them. The fire was returned by McCarthy, who shot Billy Hayes, son of the depot policeman, the shot taking effect in the right arm. Bowman's shot struck McCarthy's wrist, and Lewis was shot in the back, but the wounds were slight. Six shots were exchanged, when the robbers ran into the residence of J. C. Clymer, an engineer on the Northern Pacific. Here they were recaptured by the police. Their trial comes off tomorrow.

MAY NOT BE DEAD.

Although a Physician Made Out Her Death Certificate.

SEATTLE, May 21.—The body of Mrs. Catherine Castillo, who was pronounced dead this morning by a physician, is arousing considerable interest, because of the belief of the husband and friends that she is not dead, but only in a trance. She was found in bed by the side of her husband this morning at 3 o'clock without a pulse and to all appearances dead. She had been suffering with a relapse from pneumonia, and the physicians signed a death certificate to that effect. The husband, however, thinks that after that he saw his wife open and shut her eyes. Spiritualists have interested themselves, and declare the woman is alive. This belief has been strengthened

by the fact that a brother of the woman was unconscious years ago for 30 hours.

Cycling Association.

O. S. Bunnell, of Philadelphia, has been selected to fill the most responsible position of the National Cycling Association—that of official referee. Mr. Bunnell is well known to the cycling public, having been prominently connected with the League of American Wheelmen's work in Pennsylvania for several years. He also holds responsible positions in other wheelmen's leagues, but will resign them all so that he may in the future devote his entire time to the National Cycling Association. Upon him, more than on any of the other officials, depends the success or failure of the new association. It is already acknowledged that no better selection than Mr. Bunnell could have been made.

Treasurer of the Exposition.

A. F. Seeberger, the treasurer of the Columbian exposition, is a man whose honesty and responsibility are not to be doubted. He was born in Wetzlar, Germany in 1837 and when quite young came to America with his parents, who settled on a farm near Wooster, Ohio. He was with a Wooster dry goods house for nine years. At the end of that time he went to Iowa and opened a hardware store and is at present in the wholesale hardware business in Chicago. In 1885 Mr. Seeberger was appointed collector of customs for the port of Chicago, by President Cleveland, and served until his successor was appointed by President Harrison.

The Women's Congress.

CHICAGO, May 21.—The attendance at the various meetings of the women's congress was very large this afternoon. The greatest interest was in the religious meeting at which Mrs. E. Grannis, president of the Social Purity League, presided and delivered a short address. The "labor experience meeting" did not have a large attendance, but the speeches were very interesting. Among the speakers were Clara Faltz, of San Francisco.

THE RELIGIOUS SERVICE.

Eighteen ordained women ministers sat on the speakers' platform at the religious service held this morning by the world's congress of representative women. The women who took an active part in the services were: The Revs. Mrs. Tupper Wilkes, of St. Paul; Mrs. Mary Safford, of Sioux City; Mrs. Florence Kollock, of Pasadena, Cal., and Mrs. May Wright Sewall. The Rev. Jeannette Olmsted invoked the divine blessing, and the Rev. Emily Gordon recited the hymn, "Rise Up, Rise Up, O Woman." The Rev. Florence Kollock offered prayer and delivered a short address. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. Anna Shaw. Other female divines also participated in the services.

Eddy Chosen Vice-President.

CHICAGO, May 20.—Walter Williams, of Columbia, Mo., was elected president of the National Editorial Association today, while Colonel J. B. Eddy, of Pendleton, formerly editor of the Tribune, was elected first vice-president. The fight for Eddy was made by Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California, Montana and Nevada delegations. California wanted the presidency, but failed to make a combination for it. Colonel Eddy will respond to a toast at the closing banquet Tuesday evening.

The Spokane River Falling.

SPOKANE, Wash., May 21.—The Spokane river fell half an inch today. Men who have made a close study of the stream expect an additional rise of three feet, though long continued cold weather would prevent this. Sensational reports of damage and impending danger are almost wholly false. The river would have to rise 9 or 10 feet to shut off the electric lights.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE