

The Weekly Chronicle.

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FOREIGN RELATIONS.

He must be a poor American, says the N. Y. Tribune, who is not pleased with the president's utterance concerning Cuba. The simple record of the achievements of the administration in the last nine months, as modestly rehearsed, is ample to satisfy the most zealous upholder of American rights and honor.

Nine months ago Spain declared that the only way to pacify Cuba was to reduce the insurgents to submission, and it was trying to do the latter by means of what the president justly describes as not civilized warfare, but extermination.

In this immeasurably ameliorated state of affairs, what is the further duty of this nation? On this point the president is troubled with no doubts, nor should any one be who thoughtfully reads his convincing discussion of it.

Other foreign topics are of less importance, and receive less attention in the message, though they are all treated in a straightforward and convincing manner.

tional arbitration, and a liberal policy for the promotion of American representation at the Paris World's Fair of 1900 is urged. With these and a few minor topics briefly considered, the foreign relations of the country are dismissed.

AN IMPENDING CRISIS.

Matters have gone from bad to worse in Austria, and it seems almost impossible to avoid civil war or a disruption of the empire. The Czechs are trying the same tactics that they used in forcing the language decree from the Badeni ministry, only in more violent form.

The possible disruption of the empire raises some very interesting questions, the answers to which it is impossible to foresee. Will German-Austria go to Germany? May not a great Hungarian empire, possibly even a republic, be the magnet for the Balkan principalities?

The next few weeks may see great changes, unless Lord Salisbury's steam roller gets to work.

The revenues under the Dingley Act are not yet sufficient to meet the expenses. It has now been in operation four full months and has yielded about \$35,000,000, the deficit being nearly \$46,000,000 for the five months of the fiscal year.

Mr. Dingley thinks the law is working satisfactorily. He says the anticipatory impositions paid upward of \$32,000,000 into the treasury; under the present law they would have paid over \$33,000,000.

MR. McKENNA APPOINTED.

President McKinley has seen fit to ignore the protest against McKenna's appointment, and his name was sent yesterday to the senate for confirmation. The protest was made in good faith by those who were acquainted with the new appointee and had met him in official and social capacity.

A sent on the United States supreme bench is the highest honor a lawyer can covet, and we trust the new associate justice will live to prove that the protest of the Oregon lawyers, however, sincerely it may have been made, yet was founded upon a wrong assumption.

No one would question the humanity of the government's action in sending relief to the imprisoned miners at Dawson City; yet an eastern paper seriously asks if heed should not be paid to the poor and unfortunate at home before going 2000 miles to find them.

The cause of Cuba looks brighter every day. The Spanish soldiers are gaining no victories, while the confidence of the insurgents is reassuring. Even were Spain to conquer now, Cuba would not be worth the winning.

The year 1897 has been allowed to pass without seeing an effort put forth in The Dalles looking to the establishment of any industry with a pay roll. The business men of this city should see to it that another year shall not come and go without an attempt being made to build a woolen mill here.

Already the rush to Klondike seems to have begun. There can be little doubt that a mighty stream of people will pour to the Pacific coast next spring headed to the frozen North. Now is the time for Oregon to better herself.

Bryan should stay in Mexico and run for president. That's the proper place for him. He suits the people, and the conditions there, according to his mode of thinking, ought to suit him.

The country will respect the period of mourning which President McKinley has decreed for the white house. He needs relief from social

cares at all times, and especially in view of the great strain he has just undergone.

NEWS NOTES.

A report received from Dya yesterday states that exceptionally rich placer diggings have been discovered in that section.

A Cuban priest says that at the lowest estimate a half-million Cubans have perished of starvation during the past twelve months.

Reports received this morning state that the Steins Pass train robber has been captured, but no particulars were as yet received.

The latest reports from Oregon City say that the locks closed last evening, and that the water is still rising. The O. R. & N. steamers, Modoc, Elmore and Ruth, will discontinue service for an indefinite period, until the locks are reopened.

The heaviest rain storm of which there is any record prevailed at Seattle between 10 p. m. Sunday night and until 10 a. m. yesterday. During the twelve hours 3.74 inches of water fell.

Today's Oregonian will say that a message has been received stating that the senate committee, who were to consider the Corbett case, has postponed its meeting until after the holidays.

Durrant's attorney, Mr. Duprey, is very much put out about Judge Bahr's action in the Durrant case, and says he will assault the judge at the first opportunity.

McKenna's name for supreme judge has been sent to the senate by President McKinley, but no action will be taken in the matter, however, until after the holidays.

Advices from Havana state that the Spanish generals are very much offended at the president's message; also that an infernal machine had been discovered in the United States consulate at Havana.

Bates Soper, who murdered his wife and two children at Aechie, Mo., in 1891, and who was recently arrested in Oregon, where he married again, was sentenced at Harrisonville, Mo., yesterday, to be hanged on February 4.

A blizzard prevailed in South Dakota and parts of Minnesota yesterday. Trains were badly delayed at Watertown, S. D., owing to drifting snow. The thermometer has dropped in St. Paul 16 degrees in two hours.

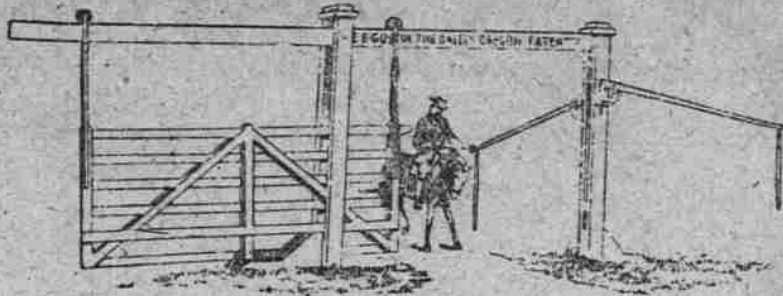
Latest reports state that congress has made an appropriation of \$250,000 to send supplies to the suffering miners in the Klondike country. Senator McBride introduced the resolution, and on Wednesday he consented to allow the resolutions to be committed to the monetary affairs committee.

Following is the list of letters remaining in the postoffice at The Dalles un-called for Dec. 9, 1897. Persons calling for the same will give date on which they were advertised:

- Anderson, Mrs L. Biess, John Bigbee, Ed C Boothby, Frank Brown, Clarence Connor, Ada M Campbell, Ellen Connor, Miss K Curditt, W E Cushing, Wm Dehn, Charlie Franzen, J Ford, R H Gregg, H W Hastings, Marie Hansen, Ana Hansen, N B Halson, T A Hogan, P Hutchison, Sam Martin, Cloud Murphy, Larry McGrath, Nancy Nevin, John Nelson, Mrs Chris Palmer & Shepley Press, Alfred Rice, Mrs Mary Sharer, Lizzie Scruggs, J M Smith, Edna Thams, Clarence Wether, Emilie Winyer, Charles Williams, Flora

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the county court for keeping the county charges by the week for the ensuing year. All bids must be filed with the clerk on or before the 5th day of January, 1898, at 9 o'clock a. m. Court reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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HENRY SMITH'S CASE ON TRIAL.

Judge Bennett of this place is at present trying the case of Henry Smith vs Day Bros., in Judge Ballinger's court in Portland.

The injuries sustained by Smith were received while he was engaged in a game of cards in the cabin of a steamer, tied up to the dock below the government works. A rock crashed through the roof of the cabin striking him on the head and rendering him unconscious.

The case was first brought in the state court, but owing to the fact that some of the parties drawn into the issue are residents of other states, a writ of removal to the federal court was granted the defendants.

Governor Lord will probably pardon H. B. Ringland, sentenced to the penitentiary October, 1895, for six years, for assault with intent to rob. Ringland and two companions entered a grain and feed store in Portland, where a boy was in charge at the time of their visit.

For a short time it was feared the boy would die, but he recovered, and positively identified the three men at the trial, and there was also other testimony implicating them in the affair. Ringland belongs to a highly respected family in Ohio, the patriarch of which, now a centenarian, is on his death bed, and desires before he dies to see his young kinsman.

Mrs. Eleanor Clarno, aged 71 years, died at the old family home on John Day, on Tuesday morning, December 7th. On the evening before she retired to her room and when the morning came was found dead in her bed, having apparently died very peacefully.

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