

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

HAPPENINGS OF THE PAST FEW DAYS FROM ALL QUARTERS.

International Conference About Patents - Volunteers to Return - Several Rail Road Hold-Ups - A Disastrous Fire at Canton - A Statesman Dead.

A man by the name of Albertson, living in Michigan city, Ind., recently sold his wife for \$2. The purchaser did considerable haggling before he paid the amount.

At the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor held last week at Louisville, Ky., Samuel Gompers was re-elected president.

A bold robbery on the Cotton Belt Railway occurred at Bassett, Tex., on the train coming north, in which Postal Clerk John N. Dennis was almost killed and mail pouches of his car rifled of their contents.

The international six-day bicycle race held at New York last week was won by the American team—Harry Eikes of New York and Lloyd McFarland of San Jose. The Canadian team came in second.

The fight last week between Terry McGovern and Joe Gans at Chicago is reported to be a fake and one of the largest swindling schemes ever played on the public. Over \$100,000 is said to have been cleaned up by the promoters.

The Fredonia state normal and training school at Dunkirk, N. Y., was destroyed by fire recently. Seven persons lost their lives in the flames. The property loss is \$200,000.

The centennial anniversary of the founding of the national capital at Washington, D. C., was celebrated last week with fitting ceremonies.

Michael C. Mulhall, the famous English statistician, is dead at London.

Henry C. Heiler of the United States Geological survey is in Arizona and will begin at once explorations of the reservoir dam sites which are under consideration for the storage of water for the Salt and Gila river valleys.

Three men went into a South Butte, Mont., butcher shop, and at the point of rifles, demanded all the cash in the till. Henry Strader, who was in charge, refused to deliver. One of the highwaymen shot Strader through the body. All then ran. An hour or so later the police arrested a man giving the name of Harry Smith. He admits firing the shot.

Four masked men held the town of Shanesville, four miles west of Canal Dover, O., at bay before dawn while they blew up the safe in the private bank of John Doerschuk. The explosion aroused the citizens, who armed themselves and turned out, but were held off by the determined burglars until the wrecked safe had been looted. Then, amid a hail of bullets the four escaped on a handcar, carrying with them between \$3000 and \$4000. That some of the bullets took effect is evident by a trail of blood. The conditions surrounding the robbery are the same as those at Seville a few days ago, and the belief is general that the same men did the work. The robbers abandoned the car before reaching Baltic, five miles distant. A posse is now in pursuit with bloodhounds.

Judson C. Clements of Georgia has been reappointed Interstate Commerce Commissioner.

A disastrous fire is reported from Canton. It broke out in the vegetable markets, and in four hours 500 shops and dwellings were destroyed. The bodies of three victims were recovered, but it is believed that many more were incinerated.

The first of the volunteer regiments to start from the Philippine islands for home will leave on the transport Sheridan January 1. Other regiments will follow as fast as transports can be secured. Regulars will be sent from the states to fill the places of the volunteers.

The international conference for the protection of industrial property, held at Brussels, at which United States Assistant Patent Commissioner Chamberlain and Minister Townsend were the American representatives, has adopted the following resolutions: First—The period of exclusive rights, previously fixed at six months for patents and three months for industrial designs, models and trade marks, is extended to a year for the first named and four months for the second named. Second—Countries signing the convention enjoy reciprocally the protection accorded by each country to its own citizens against unfair competition. Third—Patents cannot lapse because they are not put in circulation except after a minimum delay of three years, dating from the first application in countries where the patent is allowed, and in cases in which the owners of the patent do not justify causes of inaction.

Paddy Ryan, at one time the champion pugilist of the world, who was defeated by John L. Sullivan in their famous fight in Mississippi some years ago, died at his home in Glens Falls, N. Y., Friday afternoon.

Edmund Hansen, alias H. Larkos, believed to be the leader of the gang of counterfeiters operating at Spokane, has been captured. Hansen was a bridge watchman for the Great Northern. In his shack were found counterfeit molds and letters ordering gold and silver bullion. Near by in a cache in the rocks many stolen articles were found. Hansen protests complete innocence.

Professor C. C. Georgeson, of the agricultural department, has just returned from Alaska, and states that his experiments prove that agricultural products do well in that country.

The report of the city superintendent of buildings, filed recently, shows that the building record for Los Angeles is again broken, the number and value of building improvements for the fiscal year ended December 1, 1900, exceeding those of previous years. There were issued during the year 1852 permits for building, aggregating \$2,487,518. This record shows 147 more permits than last year and an increase of \$289,581 in the estimated value. The classes of buildings are divided as follows: Eighty brick structures, valued at \$375,000; 24 brick additions, \$44,130; 4 brick residences, \$14,500; 292 two-story dwellings, \$944,094; 390 one-story dwellings, \$378,942; 9 churches and schools, \$56,350; 394 frame additions, \$126,980; 3 hotels and lodging-houses, \$31,000. Repairs, alterations and additions make up the balance of the amount.

C. B. Howser, aged 28, and Lee Deck, aged 21, have been arrested and lodged in the county jail at Marysville, charged with the robbery of Brady's saloon at Wheatland on November 12 and the attempted murder of night watchman Uhler, who discovered them in the middle of the night in question in the act of blowing open a safe they had taken from the saloon in a hopfield half a mile distant. Deck shot the officer twice, while Howser beat him into insensibility on discovering he was not entirely helpless. The prisoners are sons of old residents of Yuba county.

A large number of Porto Ricans passed through California last week on the way to Hawaii. Many of them deserted along the route and caused considerable excitement by claiming they were being kidnaped. The bulk of the crowd went on board the Rio Janeiro and are now on the sea.

In a head-on collision between Southern Pacific trains at Wells, Nev., brakeman Tim Kennedy and fireman Duncan were killed and five others wounded.

Two counterfeiters, William B. Fritch and his son Emmett, were arrested at San Francisco last week. They had a complete outfit and a large amount of bogus money on hand.

Suit has been commenced at Los Angeles to divide the big estate of Winefreide Martin who died in 1897.

Charles Whelan, 12 years old, was killed by an electric car between Los Angeles and Pasadena. He was on his wheel en route to Los Angeles, and tried to go between a telegraph line and a mail car on the Los Angeles and Pasadena electric line. He was caught by the car and thrown from his wheel, his skull being fractured. He died on the way to the hospital. The youth was the son of a civil engineer now absent in Nevada, and lived on Holliston avenue, Pasadena.

The California Home for Feeble-Minded Children at Eldridge near Glen Ellen is to be equipped with a plant for burning crude oil, which will be substituted for wood fuel. It is expected a big saving will result, for the plant uses several hundred cords of wood a year.

The Lakeview and Agou (Or.) stage was robbed about two miles from Lakeview. A lone highwayman accomplished the job. No passengers were aboard the stage. Two mail sacks were rifled and a considerable amount of registered mail taken. Officers are now working on the case.

A committee of rich Dunkards have purchased the town site of Sunnyside, in the irrigated section of Yakima county, Wash. The purchasers include Elder S. J. Harrison of Sunnyside and C. Rowland, a wealthy banker of Lankark, Ill. They purpose to found an ideal colony which shall be noted for its temperance, Christianity and educational institutions.

A cave at the bottom of the 1500-foot level of the Pennsylvania mine, Brown's valley, Yuba county, resulted in the death of Albert Cornelius, a nephew of Naylor Williams, the superintendent of the mine, who lives in Grass valley. John Barrett of Mooney flat received a fractured thigh and internal bruises. Nelson Housch of Brown's valley has a broken leg; George Johnson of Dutch flat had his left leg dislocated and received internal injuries. The property where the accident occurred is one of the group of mines operated and owned by San Francisco parties.

George W. Percy, one of the best known architects on the Pacific coast, died in Oakland some days ago.

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South African War.

LONDON, December 15.—Lord Kitchener, under date of December 15, reports to the war office from Pretoria as follows: "Clements has come to see me. He says the four companies of the Northumberlanders held out on the hill as long as their ammunition lasted. The Boer force attacking the hill was 2000 strong, while another force of 1000 attacked Clements' camp. By 6:30 a. m. the hill was carried. Re-enforcements of one company of the Yorkshires failed to reach the top. Clements' retirement was carried out with regularity, but as many native drivers bolted a considerable amount of transportation was lost. All their ammunition not taken was destroyed. He reports that all behaved very well."

"Broadwood has gone to Rustenburg and supports Oliphant's Nek, which has been re-enforced. A flag of truce which has come into Commando Nek for the Boers says Joubert's son was killed and further reports their losses very heavy."

"ALWAL NORTH, December 16.—A party of Brabant's Horse, consisting mainly of raw recruits, engaged a superior force of Boers December 13 near Zaestron, Orange river colony, losing four killed, 18 wounded and 129 taken prisoners."

LONDON, December 16.—The following dispatch has been received by the war office from Lord Kitchener: "PRETORIA, December 15.—Five officers and 316 men, Magaliesburg prisoners have been released."

"The Boers surrounded and captured 120 of Brabant's Horse in a defile in Zaestron district."

"Colonel Blomfield, moving on Vryheid, defeated the Boers with heavy loss, driving them from Scheepers' Nek and capturing a quantity of arms. The Scheepers' nek movement occurred December 13."

"The Boers who attacked Vryheid December 10, lost 100 killed and wounded before they retired. The fighting lasted all day, the enemy drawing off at 7:30 p. m. The British lost six killed, 19 wounded and 30 missing. Our casualties include two officers, who died of their wounds."

Wiring from Pretoria yesterday (Sunday), Lord Kitchener, after announcing that the released Magaliesburg prisoners had arrived at Rustenburg, says that the Boer force divided into two portions, one moving south and the other west."

Bryan to Star: a Paper.

LINCOLN, Neb., December 15.—Mr. Bryan gave out the following interview this morning: "I have for several years had in contemplation the establishment of a weekly newspaper and this seems an opportune time for undertaking it."

"Intending to devote my life to the study and discussion of public questions, I will best accomplish the purpose which I have in view. Through such a paper I shall be able to keep in touch with social and political problems. The paper will at the same time, if successful, provide an income sufficient for my pecuniary needs, and this kind of work will allow me more time with my family than I have been able to enjoy for several years past."

"I expect to lecture occasionally, especially in college towns where I can speak to students, but my principal work will be done with the pen, or perhaps I should say with the pencil."

"The paper will be called The Commoner and will defend the principles set forth in the Kansas city platform. The first issue will appear in January. I shall be proprietor and editor."

Training Ship Founders.

MADRID, December 16.—The German training frigate Gneisenau has foundered off Malaga, northeast of Gibraltar. The Gneisenau foundered at the entrance to the port of Malaga, where she was about to take refuge from the terrible storm prevailing. A large number of the cadets can be seen from the shore clinging to the rigging. They are shouting and signaling for help. The captain and many of the cadets have been drowned.

It is believed that 40 who left in one of the ship's boats and have not been seen since, are lost. The total loss is now thought to be no less than 100. Some dispatches say 140. Forty of those saved are badly hurt.

The report of the director of the mint on the production of gold and silver in the United States during the calendar year 1899, shows only slight variation from the approximate figures given out early in the present year. The final figures are \$71,053,40 for gold and \$32,868,700 for silver. The gold product was the greatest in the history of the country. The silver product of the United States in 1899 was slightly greater than in 1898, being 54,764,000 ounces, against 54,438,000 ounces. The world's production of silver in 1899 was 107,224,243 fine ounces, against 106,295,572 fine ounces in 1898. Mexico leads in silver production and Mexico and the United States produce two-thirds of the silver yield of the world. The world's industrial consumption of gold is estimated at \$72,868,500 and of silver \$24,595,600.

The south-bound Illinois central fast mail, was held up and robbed by a lone train robber about one mile above the upper limits of the city of New Orleans. His booty consisted of only one registered mail pouch from Durant, Miss., and six other registered letters from points between Cairo and New Orleans. Conductor Klansberg was shot in the groin, and J. C. Parker, railway mail clerk, had his left eye powder-burned by a shot directed at his head.

John Addison Porter, former private secretary to President McKinley, died at his residence in Putnam, Conn., a few days ago.

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Benjamin R. Crocker died in Sacramento recently, after a long illness. Mr. Crocker was one of the best known men in the state. He came to California in 1850 and engaged in mining, but afterward conducted a store. He had the entire confidence of the projectors of the Central Pacific railroad and when its construction was begun was made the purchasing agent and conducted all that part of the business. In 1887 he was injured by being thrown on his head by a fractious horse, and he retired from railroad affairs, attending only to his own business interests since then.

Florian Guyan, a native of Switzerland and unmarried, was accidentally killed at his home on Jackson flat, near Centerville, Shasta county, in a peculiar manner. Guyan and a half-breed Indian named Stephen Shoemaker had driven in a cart about a mile from their home to secure a mining rocker. They found the rocker could not be placed in the cart, and Shoemaker agreed to carry it. Guyan followed behind in the cart, with his shotgun and Shoemaker's rifle between his knees. Something, presumably the jar of the cart, exploded the rifle, the ball piercing the man's right lung. Shoemaker heard the shot and Guyan's scream of pain. Turning around, he saw the wounded man stop the horse, step off the cart and fall to the ground. He was dead when

HONOLULU, December 13.—The city was placarded to-day with statements inciting the people and the members of the street societies to unite and rise during the month of January and drive out all the foreigners. Crowds gathered around the placards, but no actual outbreak is reported.

Reports have been received from Canton to the effect that Young Sung Po, the reformer, has been horribly tortured. Though he was strung up by the thumbs and toes, he would confess nothing.

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