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IS CREELMAN A LIAR?

Tardy Denial from a Doubtful Source

Of the Port Arthur Atrocities.

This Must Have Come from the Frenchman So Bitterly Scored by Villiers and Creelman.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 26.—The Northern Pacific line "Sikh" arrives up to January 13th as follows:

The misconduct of the Japanese soldiers at Port Arthur is still the subject of earnest discussion among railway and foreigner.

A representative of the French army who followed the movements of the Japanese from beginning to end asserts that after the day on which Port Arthur was taken he witnessed no such atrocities as have been publicly charged. On October 21st, when the Japanese were in wild excitement over the mutilations of their comrades, so far as his observation went, there was no repetition of the murders on succeeding days.

Until last week an American officer, who was on the field after the others had returned to Tokyo, had yet to be heard from. His view of the affair, as now clearly set forth in private letters, entirely falls in with the uncontradicted report of the French.

There were many atrocities on the day of battle, but that ended them.

DOINGS AT OLYMPIA. Olympia, Jan. 26.—Two-thirds of the members of the body left town this morning.

Both houses adjourned until Monday. Senatorial matters are quiet. The Sergeant-Taylor controversy in the senate is the principal talk of the day.

Among the new senate bills, among the most important, are: a bill to transfer the marine records from the county auditor to the clerk of the house; appropriating \$50,000 for a state reform school; repealing the act allowing a second appeal to the supreme court in cases of felony.

Those to repeal the law exempting church property from taxation; to exempt personal property to the extent of \$1,000 instead of \$500, providing free text books; extending the right of eminent domain to electric power companies; exempting from taxation all American owned vessels registered in any port in this state, and the appointment of a grain commissioner and inspector.

INCONCEIVABLE STUPIDITY. Springfield, Mass., Jan. 26.—Robert Colgan, aged 13, while sucking an orange, swallowed it, and, which entered his windpipe. He was riding in a sleigh at the time, and, finding himself choking, jumped out, and started to a store for aid. On his way he met two men, and managed to say: "Quick, quick, strangle my boy." They thought he was joking, and only laughed at him. A pained expression came on the boy's face, and before the men aided him he fell to the ground, unconscious, dying within a few seconds, in an office to which he had been removed.

THE STEAMSHIP WAR. San Francisco, Jan. 26.—A traffic war has been begun between the Pacific Coast Steamship company and the Meyer & Aikman line, plying between Puget sound and San Francisco. The former yesterday cut cabin fares to Victoria, Tacoma and Seattle, \$4 and stowage \$2.50. Today the steamer Paragon of the opposition went \$2 under the cut, and the rates now are \$14 and \$5.50 for first and second class respectively. The expected reduction in freight will probably affect oreland rates.

A SCOUNDRELLY OUTRAGE. San Francisco, Jan. 26.—Eighteen adult negroes are in dire distress here. They say they were induced to leave their homes near Keystone, West Virginia, upon a promise of making seven dollars per day in employment on the Coos Bay, Oregon and Oregon Navigation and Coal Co., and they earned only ninety cents a day, with a deduction for board furnished by the company. The miners of Coos Bay paid their way to this city.

DEATH PURSUED HIM. Prescott, Ariz., Jan. 26.—Two prospectors report that on the Santa Maria river, seventy miles from here, a miner named Joseph Simi, was caught between two streams last week and drowned. The ground upon which he stood melted away, and he climbed a tree, but the water swept it away. The prospectors were unable to render assistance, as the water was running twenty feet deep on each side of the victim.

A SCURRILOUS ACT. Long Island City, Jan. 26.—Strikers at Maspeth last night waylaid a non-union man, gagged him, carried him to a vacant barn and put a rope around his neck and suspended him from a beam. He was rescued before he had been strangled to death, but his recovery is doubtful. His name was not learned.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT. New York, Jan. 26.—The weekly bank statement shows: Treasury, increase, \$115,375; loans, decrease, \$104,300; specie, increase, \$3,220,200; legal tender, decrease, \$3,052,000; deposits, decrease, \$2,790,200; circulation, increase, \$51,900. Bank notes held, \$45,899,459 in excess of the requirements.

A CALIFORNIAN SOON. New York, Jan. 26.—The Commercial Advertiser says Horatio Odierich has admitted that he will reside here forth in San Francisco, becoming a citizen of California. He says he may go into politics in San Francisco, and would like to become United States senator from California.

THEY "BROKE AWAY." Sandy Hook, Jan. 26.—At 10:30 a. m., during a heavy southwest gale, the tug boat "Sandy Hook" broke away from the tug "Sandy Hook" and was lost.

THE U. P. RETALIATES.

Chicago, Jan. 26.—The Union Pacific has taken a stand that will cause other western roads no end of trouble. It is possible that a hot fight will arise between it and the lines in the western trunk line commission. When the agreement was formed it was agreed that the Union Pacific should make no demand for any of the Puget sound business. The Union Pacific now asks that it be given a portion of the Puget sound business, and has intimated very plainly that if it gets no share of the Puget sound traffic it will take steps to prevent an advance in rates, which the other lines had agreed should take effect on February 15th. It is probable the Union Pacific will have a big fight on its hands.

TO FIGHT McNEILL. Omaha, Jan. 26.—Senator-elect John M. Thurston, attorney for the Union Pacific receivers, Gen. John C. Cowan, special counsel for the United States, Attorney Winslow S. Pierce of New York, and Freight Traffic Manager J. A. Moore, leave tomorrow for Portland to be present at the hearing before Judge Gilbert on the application of the American Loan & Trust Co. for a separate receiver for the Oregon Short Line and Utah Northern. Mr. Thurston will represent the receivers of the Union Pacific in resisting Receiver McNeill's attempt to make other interests responsible for the extensive repairs done on the Oregon Railway & Navigation Co.'s road, as a result of the washout on the Columbia river.

GRAIN QUOTATIONS. San Francisco, Jan. 26.—Wheat—shipping, No. 1, \$2.25; milling grades, \$2.10 to \$2.25; Walla Walla, \$2.10 to \$2.25; No. 2 red winter, \$2.10 to \$2.25; No. 2 hard Manitoba, \$2.10 to \$2.25; No. 1 California, \$2.10 to \$2.25.

New York, Jan. 26.—Wheat, steady; common to choice, old 96 to 97c. New, 11c.

Liverpool, Jan. 26.—Close, wheat, firm; demand poor; No. 2 red winter 55 1/2d; No. 2 red spring 55 1/2d; No. 1 hard Manitoba 55 1/2d; No. 1 California 55 1/2d.

London, Jan. 26.—Pacific coast, 42 1/2 shillings.

YESTERDAY'S RACE RECORDS. San Francisco, Jan. 26.—Five and a half furlongs—Quarterstaff won in 1:19.

Five and a half furlongs—Flirtilla won in 1:19 1/4.

The Palace Hotel stakes, \$2,000, mile and one sixteenth—Gusnie won in 2:08 1/4.

The steppes, value \$1,500, mile and one half—Floodmore won in 3:35.

Six furlongs—Robin Hood II won in 1:27.

A POLITE "KICK OUT." Madrid, Jan. 26.—Correspondencia de Espana publishes a dispatch from Tangier stating that the Moorish government has become incensed at the long stay of the British minister, Ernest Sartor, at Fez, and at the persistence with which he has urged his claims. He has been told to leave the capital, and has been kicked out.

CORDRAY TO PAY \$750. Portland, Jan. 26.—Miss Esther Lyons, an actress, was today awarded \$750 damages in a suit against John P. Cordray, proprietor of Cordray's theater. 1890 Miss Lyons was engaged to play for one year at Cordray's at a salary of \$50 per week, but at the end of thirty weeks she was discharged. She brought suit for \$1,750 and the referee today awarded her \$750.

NO GREAT MATTER. London, Jan. 26.—The Daily News correspondent in Berlin says: "There will be no Beethoven festival in 1895, but merely rehearsals next autumn of the Nibelungen ring, which will be revived in splendid style in 1896. A Beethoven festival will be given in Munich in August and September for the benefit of British and American tourists."

BELONGS TO UNCLE SAM. San Francisco, Jan. 26.—The cruiser Olympia was towed to Mare Island this morning and formally delivered to the government, having already been accepted at the navy yard. Coal, stores, and ammunition were put aboard, ready for service in three weeks. The Olympia requires 250 men, exclusive of officers.

"TWIXT LAND AND TIDE." Gloucester, Mass., Jan. 26.—The schooner Leader is ashore on a reef off Norman's Woe, at the entrance of the harbor. Four of the crew of eleven, have reached the shore. It is feared the vessel cannot long withstand the storm and the men on board will perish.

SAVED BY A MAN-OF-WAR. Lourenço Marques, Delagoa Bay, Jan. 26.—The American bark "Sandy Hook" from Port Hely, straggled off the north of this port, has been towed off by the German cruiser Cormorant and arrived here safely.

TOOK LEG RAIL. Port Townsend, Jan. 26.—Ex-County Treasurer A. M. Clump, of Port Angeles, who was arrested last night on a charge of embezzling \$3,000 of the county funds, escaped from the officers and is now at large.

RUMORS OF WAR. San Francisco, Jan. 26.—The steamer St. Paul sailed for Mexican ports today, having in her cargo 33 cases of cartridges, one case of rifles, and one case of shells, to be landed at Mazatlan.

THIRTEEN LIVES LOST. New London, Conn., Jan. 26.—The tug boat "Sandy Hook" reported that this morning she lost two out of five barges of Point Judith, in a gale. Ten men and three women were drowned.

HAD TO BE SCUTTLED. Dieppe, France, Jan. 26.—The British bark Annie Stafford, which arrived from Philadelphia December 17, and was bound back to that port, took fire and had to be scuttled.

THE SITUATION AT BOISE. Boise, Jan. 26.—Two ballots were taken today for United States Senator. The result was: Shoup 19, Sweet 13, Claggett, (pop.) 15. There are rumors of a trade having been made by the populists to let Sweet. Tonight the populists go into caucus.

THE ENCYCLICAL HERE

The Pontiff's Great Message

Made Public by Monsignor Satolli.

It Deals With the Hierarchy Secretly and with the Divorce Problem.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—Mr. Satolli today made public the long expected encyclical from the pope. The most important feature relates to the American delegate and his relations to the hierarchy in this country, and also defining the pope's attitude concerning societies of working men.

The pope refers to the fact that the first bishop sent out apostolic authority to rule over the American church began his labors when the great Washington was at the helm of the young republic. The well known familiar intercourse between the two men seems to be evidence that the United States ought to be conjoined in accord with the Catholic church as a nation, and with the clergy. The establishment of pious societies, general schools and mutual aid associations are particularly commended. The pope says that bishops placed in a "very" position of authority are to be obeyed.

The pope then sets forth the purpose he has in mind in leaving nothing undone to preserve and solidly establish the Catholic religion in America. The encyclical refers to the indissolubility of marriage and the deadly pest of divorce. The pope declares that divorce is a mortal sin, and that the church is bound to excommunicate those who are guilty of it.

DEBS DOING BATTLE. CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—The first witness placed on the stand by the government in the Debs trial today was Wallace Rice, a reporter for the Chicago Herald, and a member of the Local union, No. 350, A. R. U., at Pullman. Rice was asked by questions by the government counsel to relate the proceedings of the A. R. U. convention of June 15th, last. The plan of the prosecution was to show that the conspiracy would be a permanent one, and every step taken in the convention was a link in the chain of that conspiracy.

Rice said that Debs in his opening speech at the convention, said the conspiracy would be a permanent one, and would be able to dictate its own terms. Debs opened the subject on the part of the union in a speech in which he denounced Pullman's corporation as an octopus, and said that the time had come to stop it. He said if any railroad attempted to enjoin the union from interfering with the Pullman cars, the entire system of that road would be used.

On the evening of June 26th, the strike was inaugurated at a mass meeting. Debs said the strike was to be a battle to the death, and it meant either the extermination of the general managers' association or that of the union.

EVERGREEN SOLONS. Olympia, Jan. 26.—A memorial to congress praying the government to foreclose the Pacific railroad liens expired today. It was a lengthy debate in the house today, but was not adopted, by a vote of 57 to 56. Reader of Pierce county, a populist, wanted a concurrent resolution adopted urging the lower house of congress to defeat the Nicaragua canal bill on the ground that it was a Pacific railroad steal. The populist wanted the bill to be given in Munich in August and September for the benefit of British and American tourists.

WILL THIS NEVER END? Lancaster, Pa., Jan. 26.—Miss Sue Auer shot and seriously injured Miss Mary P. Taylor last night. Both are friends of the writer. They were getting ready to go to church in the home of Miss Auer. The latter found an old revolver in a bureau. In a playful manner she pointed the weapon at her friend's head, not knowing it was loaded, and exclaimed: "Your money or your life." Miss Taylor replied, "I will give you neither," and Miss Auer pulled the trigger. The bullet struck Miss Taylor in the left temple only an inch from the eye, and passed down through the muscles of the neck, where it is still lodged. The ball has not been located, but the girl may live.

DOESN'T NEED DAMAGES. Oakland, Cal., Jan. 26.—Patrick Shields, one of the American seamen of the Baltimore, who was attacked by a mob in Valparaiso, Chile, during the recent strike, has been awarded \$50,000 damages against the government of Chile. Shields was added to the list of sailors who were killed under the influence of liquor he wandered down into the marsh and fell over in a stupor. He has been living in this city for some time, working occasionally as a common laborer.

PRESERVE IT FOREVER. Augusta, Me., Jan. 26.—Less than \$500 having been subscribed for a memorial to the late James G. Elaine, a bill was introduced into the senate yesterday which provided for the appointment of a committee to inquire into the expediency of purchasing the Elaine homestead to be preserved by the state as a memorial building, and for an executive mansion. The house stands within a stone's throw of the capitol, and is an unpretentious two-story wooden structure. The lot, which is one of the best located in town, is worth as much as the buildings.

ALL HANDS WERE SAVED. Sandy Hook, Jan. 26.—The British bark "Sandy Hook" which went ashore last night near the Spearhead life saving station is breaking up. All the crew were rescued.

HEAVY PORTLAND FAILURE. Portland, Jan. 26.—Praeger Bros. of the Portland cement works, on suits aggregating \$88,651.

LAWYERS AT BOISE. Olympia, Jan. 26.—In the senate today numerous signed petitions from Washington citizens asked for the enactment of a law to reduce freight rates 1 cent per ton per mile in carload lots. The resolution to investigate the penitentiary was again tabled to await the preparation of a bill authorizing investigating committees to send for papers and persons. The senate won't confine the investigation to recent misdoings, but will go back to the origin of the alleged corruption. A number of bills of minor importance were introduced in both houses.

BOISE, Jan. 26.—No change in the senatorial deadlock.

WILSON LEADS AT OLYMPIA.

Olympia, Jan. 26.—The senatorial excitement is at fever heat tonight, and Congressman John L. Wilson, who was one time dropped to seven votes and was about to close his headquarters in disgust, is now at the top of the heap and within four votes of the caucus nomination and good prospects of getting there. When the caucus convened tonight seventy-nine of the eighty-one republicans answered to roll call. Fishburn of King, absent, and Logan of King was sick. All signed the call agreeing the candidate receiving forty-one votes should be the nominee. Eight ballots were taken when the Ankeney forces, with the aid of a minor faction, carried a motion to adjourn. First ballot, seventy-nine voting, the result stood: Ankeney 32, Wilson 31, Allen 8, McMillan 2, second ballot, Harper of San Juan went from McMillan to Wilson; Johnston of Whitman, and Leah of Yakima from Allen to Wilson; McDonnell of King from Allen to Ankeney; Albertson of King from Allen to Justice Hey. On the third ballot Allen continued to lose until adjournment, when he was gone. On the fourth ballot Wilson gained Murray of San Juan, from McMillan, and Wiig of King, from Allen. The fifth ballot, Fishburn, who had been absent, entered the caucus, and voted for Ankeney, who also gained Hanford from Allen. No change in the sixth and on the seventh Wilson gained Dorr of Whatcom from McMillan. No change on the eighth and the ninth stood: Ankeney 35, Wilson 37, Allen 3, McMillan 4, Hoyt 1. The caucus adjourned until tomorrow night. Wilson is confident of nomination tomorrow night.

LOUISIANA DEMOCRATS ARE TAUNTED. On Sugar Is Repealed in the House.

Flashes of Newey Interest Caught from the Washington Wires Last Night.

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CONCESSION. Washington, Jan. 26.—The Guatemalan government has agreed, it is understood, to make such concessions in the boundary dispute that a peaceful solution may be achieved without wounding the national honor of Mexico. In official circles here confidence is expressed that the irritating question of territory will be speedily and permanently settled to the complete satisfaction of Mexico, and that the matter of indemnity, which has recently complicated affairs and been particularly obnoxious to Guatemala will be disposed of through arbitration, probably of a South American government, probably Brazil.

A CELESTIAL VISITOR. Hermosillo, Mexico, Jan. 26.—The great meteor that recently fell in the mountains of Mexico, north of the Real del Castillo has been found by H. B. Tremble, an American archaeologist, who was accompanied by a party of Mexican guides. It is of immense size, and Mr. Tremble pronounced it the most wonderful specimen of the kind ever discovered. The meteor produced a sound like a terrific explosion as it struck the earth, terrifying the ignorant Mexicans for miles around.

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San Francisco, Jan. 26.—Wheat, shippers quiet at 81 1/4c for standard, with 82 1/4c for choice; milling grades 81 1/4c to 82 1/4c; Walla Walla 82 1/4c to 83 1/4c for fair average quality, 75c to 80c for blue stem, and 67 1/2c to 70c for damp.

Portland, Jan. 26.—Wheat, valley 75c to 77 1/2c per cental. Walla Walla 80c per bushel.

AGAINST THE DEFENDANT. Chicago, Jan. 26.—The defense in the Debs conspiracy trial received a heavy blow today on the adverse ruling of Judge Grosscup on the objection raised as to a futile induction to crime. It could be shown that they were done by the knowledge and under the direction of officers and directors of the Pullman Palace Car Company to obstruct the mails. Judge Grosscup held that evidence could be introduced tending to show that a conspiracy existed to stop all trains, and this would include, necessarily, a conspiracy to stop the United States mails.

THE ANTI-SOCIALIST BILL. Berlin, Jan. 26.—The parliamentary committee on the anti-socialist bill adopted yesterday the national liberal amendment, making the glorification of crime punishable in the same manner as a futile induction to crime. The vote indicated that the clericals were swinging over to the government side, as without their aid the amendment would have been lost.

\$30,000,000 IN SHIPS. London, Jan. 26.—The Pall Mall Gazette says the naval programme which has been approved by the cabinet involves the construction of the ensuing financial year of four first-class, four second-class and two third-class cruisers, twenty torpedo boats and twenty torpedo destroyers. The cost of these vessels is to aggregate over \$30,000,000.</