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NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR MANY READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week in a Condensed Form.

Germany are still excited over the Kruger incident.

The Oregon school fund losses an average of \$40,000 a year.

The labor and harbor committee is cutting down all estimates.

The Chinese question is again said to be approaching a settlement.

Fifty-two Filipino prisoners have been taken by American troops.

Enclaves were pronounced in the house on the late Representative Harmer.

Russia says all credit for securing existing entente belongs to United States.

Johannesburg will be fenced around with barb wire to cut off Boers' food supply.

United States Consul Goodnow, at Shanghai, will return home on leave of absence.

Netherlands disowns responsibility for sympathetic letter of minister to Kruger.

Senate will develop the present week to Hay-Panncote treaty and ship subsidy bill.

The naval appropriation bill will provide for two more battleships and two cruisers.

Delegate Wilcox, of Hawaii, strongly opposes importation of negro labor into the islands.

Envoys take removal of General Tung Fu Haiang to mean that government desires peace.

Establishment of ship subsidy bill as regular order will displace Nicaragua canal measure.

Bills for the reduction of war revenue tax and legislative appropriations will likely pass the house this week.

Robert W. Wilcox, Hawaii's delegate-elect to congress, has arrived in San Francisco, enroute to Washington.

Kruger was officially received by Queen Wilhelmina, the queen has promised to show her friendship when the grant is made.

A railway bridge collapsed in Germany, letting an express train plunge into the stream below. Five persons were killed and eight badly injured.

The ministers at Peking have reached an agreement.

The new war revenue bill will reduce taxation \$40,000,000.

The pension roll for the coming year will call for \$142,000,000.

The governor of Shanghai publicly executed 80 Boxer leaders.

Secretary Gage's estimate for government expense is \$626,741,762.

George von L. Meyer, of Boston, will be appointed ambassador to Italy.

Charles A. Towne accepted the appointment of senator from Minnesota.

McCall made a sensational speech in the house against holding the Philippines.

A small American force routed a band of rebels at Santo Domingo, Luzon.

Contract for erection of Salem, Or., postoffice has been awarded to a Chicago firm.

In a street duel in a West Virginia town a minister was killed by a prominent lawyer.

It is estimated that taxable valuation of Oregon for 1900 will be about \$2,000,000 less than in 1899.

Fire in the Cambridge, Ohio, works of the American Tiptone Company, caused a loss on finished tin alone of between \$175,000 and \$200,000.

John Luke Holy-Hutchinson, fifth earl of Donoghmore, is time assistant commissioner in Eastern Roumania, died of paralysis, in London.

Robbers raided the office of the Western Lumber Company in Portland, Or., just before the employees were ready to receive their November wages in coin, and secured \$4,700.

A special from Shanghai announces that Li Hung Chang's Manchou secretary, Yoko, has been arrested by order of Field Marshal Count von Waldersee, on the charge of communicating with the Boxers.

The third annual cowboy and Indian carnival opened in Phoenix, Arizona, with a great parade of vaqueros, red men and Chinese. After the parade, in a wild dash through the streets, an Indian was thrown from his horse and fatally trampled under foot.

Prairie chickens are said to be more abundant in western Kansas than for years.

Joseph Manley has resigned as chairman of the Republican executive committee of Maine after a service of 16 years.

Electric coal-cutting machinery is rapidly displacing hand work and other varieties of mechanical stamping appliances in the collieries of Great Britain and the United States.

Missouri will have the largest Democratic delegation in the next congress of the United States.

The city of Downs, Kansas, has more than 1,000 inhabitants, among whom there is not a single lawyer.

The fourth census of the Dominion of Canada is to be taken next year, beginning the first week in April.

When the newly elected governors of the states have all inaugurated there will be 26 Republicans, 18 Democrats and one Silverite, the last being Reinhold Sadler, of Nevada.

LATER NEWS.

Affairs at Guam are in better shape. Lord Roberts has left the Cape for England.

Holland refuses to intervene in the Boer war.

Senator Clay spoke against the ship subsidy bill.

French troops have ceased looting Chinese observatories.

Li Hung Chang claims to have absolute power to negotiate.

Chaffee protested to Von Waldersee against German looting.

The debate on the war tax reduction bill began in the house.

The house of commons voted £18,000,000 to carry on the Boer war.

The Hay-Panncote treaty was again considered in executive session.

A congressional committee was appointed to investigate the Boer war.

The Philippine commission gave merchants a hearing on the tariff bill.

A \$50,000 irrigation ditch will be constructed at once in Morze valley, Washington.

Oregon delegation decides upon continuing contract for Columbia river improvement.

State Superintendent Ackerman recommends that Oregon schools observe John Marshall day.

The master of developing Lower Nehalem coal is said to have been considered in New York.

In his annual report, Fish Commissioner Rial says value of fish output for Oregon is over \$3,000,000.

A number of persons suspected of plotting to murder Lord Roberts during his visit to Cape Colony recently, abandoned their schemes on learning that they were shadowed.

Outlawry in Kwang Si and Kwang Tung is increasing. The officials appear to be losing their hold of the situation and are powerless to restore order. Pirating on the West river is increasing.

Owing to a lack of proper facilities in the way of telegraph, caused by the strike, a serious collision occurred on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, in which several persons were probably fatally injured.

Cornelius L. Alford, Jr., ex-note taker of the First National bank of New York, accused of having embezzled \$600,000 from that institution, was indicted by the United States grand jury. The indictment was found on 51 counts charging Alford with falsifying the accounts of the bank and unlawfully appropriating to his own use nearly \$500,000 of the bank's money.

Hay now resign if the canal treaty is amended.

Lord Roberts was given an ovation at Cape Town.

The United States wants Chiriqui for a sailing station.

There is little change in the Santa Fe railway situation.

Charles A. Towne was sworn in as senator from Minnesota.

The house passed the legislative, executive and judicial bill.

The tension between Holland and Portugal is increasing.

Benjamin W. was held at Salem, Or., for arson at Silverton.

A house Republican caucus decided to stand by the war-tax bill.

The sultan of Turkey died officers of the battleship Kentucky.

Von Bulow explained why Emperor William would not receive Kruger.

Erection of poles and wires for another lighting system began in Salem, Or.

Four men were killed by an explosion in the Union Pacific tunnel at Aspen.

Attacks on Salisbury and Chamberlain were made in the British house of commons.

Only \$600,000 can be obtained from this session of congress for the Columbia jetty.

The Oregon supreme court upholds the street improvement section of the Portland city charter.

Cases of smallpox have been found frequently in Lima, Peru, and the public is alarmed, fearing a spread of the disease.

The Idaho supreme court decides that patented mining property is to be regarded the same as other realty for purposes of taxation.

The Austrian yacht Donau has arrived at Lima, Peru, bringing Bela Hakoweghy, commissioner of the Austrian government, who is visiting the consulates of South America.

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AT THE POINT OF WAR

Strained Relations Between Holland and Portugal

THEY HAVE RECALLED THEIR MINISTERS

The Trouble Was Caused by Withdrawal of the Exequatur of the Dutch Consul at Lourenco Marques.

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The tension between Portugal and Holland appears to have been unimportant, perhaps not altogether unimportant, by the peculiar warmth of King Charles' toast to Queen Victoria at the banquet given yesterday evening at the Royal Palace to Vice-Admiral Sir Harry Holdsworth Rawson, and the officers of the British fleet, now in the River Tagus, and by the telegram which the king afterwards dispatched to Queen Victoria, thanking her for sending the fleet, and for the friendship thus demonstrated.

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"England has often shared the efforts and glories of Portugal. Our mutual friendship and close alliance are strengthened by history and the blood shed together in causes which have always been just."

Admiral Rawson replied that the words of the king harmonized with the thoughts of the government and people of Great Britain.

Portuguese Minister Will Explain.

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THE CORONER'S VERDICT.

Holds No One Responsible for San Francisco's Thanksgiving Day Accident.

San Francisco, Dec. 10.—The coroner's jury, inquiring into the causes of the Thanksgiving day disaster, in which 22 lives were lost by the collapse of the San Francisco & Pacific Glass Works during the progress of the Stanford-Berkeley football game, has returned the following verdict in the case of each victim of the accident:

"That the accident was caused by the breaking of the ventilator of the roof over the furnace in the house of the San Francisco & Pacific Glass Works at the corner of Fifteenth and Folsom streets on the afternoon of November 29; further, that he had no business there and was there against the orders and temporary resistance on the part of the superintendent of said works, and further, that no one can be held responsible for his death other than himself and that death was accidental."

Territory for the Canal.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—A special to the Record from Washington says: Nicaragua and Costa Rica have announced their willingness to grant a lease to the United States for a period of 200 years of the territory necessary for the construction of the projected Nicaragua canal. The terms are regarded as moderate. It is understood that Nicaragua and Costa Rica will accept the value of the territory to be acquired by the former government to be less than \$6,000,000 and by the latter to be less than \$1,000,000.

Pleased With Americans.

Pekin, Dec. 10.—Li Hung Chang has informed General Chaffee that he and all the people of the province of Chi Li are extremely pleased and gratified at the behavior of the American troops toward the Chinese. This is considered no light matter. From all sections of the province, reports are coming of respectful and courteous words of praise, thankfulness and commendation regarding the behavior of the Americans.

Oxnard Married a Maid.

New York, Dec. 10.—The World says: "On the Deutschland, which arrived here yesterday, were Henry T. Oxnard, of San Francisco, president of the two American trade associations, and his bride, formerly Miss Marie Pichon, maid of Mr. Oxnard's sister-in-law, Mrs. Robert Oxnard. They were married in Paris November 15, but the marriage was not announced until the Deutschland's arrival."

Cruelty of the Boers.

Heddelburg, Transvaal Colony, Dec. 10.—The Boers are driving the Boer women and children from their homes because their husbands refuse to fight any longer. Forty women and children, ill-clad and hungry, were brought in by the British today.

Population of Berlin.

Berlin, Dec. 10.—The census returns show Berlin has a population of 1,844,315, compared with 1,677,304 in 1895.

WOULD NOT HONOR IT.

Requisition For an Indiana Man Turned Down by the Governor of Colorado.

Indianapolis, Dec. 12.—Governor Mount today received word that Governor Thomas, of Colorado, has refused to honor a requisition from Indiana for the return of Clifton Oxnard, of Princeton, Ind., accused of defrauding, in a real estate deal, J. Mayer Greene, of Chicago. A special from Denver says the Indiana sheriff had Attorney-General Campbell, of Colorado, inspect the papers and they were declared legal. Afterward, it is stated, Governor Thomas had a consultation with Mr. Campbell, and then announced that the papers were not made out in technical form, and this, taken in connection with the attitude of Governor Mount, of Indiana, in refusing to honor Governor Thomas' requisition for the return of Oxnard, is believed to be the reason why the requisition was turned down.

The trouble was caused by the withdrawal of the exequatur of the Dutch Consul at Lourenco Marques.

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EIGHT PERSONS DROWNED.

Iron Ore Barge Went to the Bottom During a Storm on Lake Erie.

Erie, Pa., Dec. 12.—In the midst of one of the most bitter colds here in this city in advance, a steamer, the Erie, was wrecked on the bottom at 4 o'clock this morning 10 miles off Erie, and eight persons were drowned.

The Foster was one of the fleet of James Corrihan, of Cleveland, and for two months has been running from Duluth to Erie. The crew consisted of 1,500 tons of ore. Captain Ashley, of the Iron Duke, made Erie in safety.

Governor Cotton Crop.

New York, Dec. 12.—A story to the effect that the government cotton crop which will be made public tomorrow, has been offered to certain cotton buyers in this city in advance, received confirmation today. The cotton crop, which is estimated to be 10,000,000 bales, will be offered to the public on Saturday. It is immediately modified President Hubbard, asked for a detailed statement, which was given, and this is to be used as a basis for federal investigation. President Hubbard said tonight that he would go to Washington without delay and place the entire matter before the proper authorities.

To Amend Laws.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Representative Jones of Washington, seeking to amend the pension laws by lifting from the soldiers the necessity of proving that the disability for which they seek pensions did not exist prior to their enlistment. His bill on this subject provides that in all cases where the services of a soldier were accepted, and he was mustered into the army, no further questions should be asked concerning his physical condition prior to enlistment. In many cases the soldier of the Civil war has been prevented from securing a pension because of his inability to prove that his disability did not exist prior to his enlistment.

Hospital for Lumbermen.

Eugene, Or., Dec. 12.—Arrangements have been made whereby the Booth-Kelly Lumber Company will provide a hospital in Eugene for the benefit of the workmen who may at any time be taken sick or injured. The employees will pay monthly dues for the support of the institution, and when any of them require medical or surgical treatment he will receive it without further cost. A contract has been made with Drs. Paine and Kuykendall for professional services and medicines for a year. They will select a suitable building and have the hospital ready to receive patients by the first of January.

All Credit Due America.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—The Novoye Yuzovka, in an article evidently inspired, relating to the recent visit of the Russian minister to Peking, says: "The credit for the existing entente really belongs to America. England begrudges President McKinley his just prestige because he has emphasized America's friendship for Russia."

Fire at Silverton, Or.

Fire at Silverton caused a loss of \$12,000. Incendiarism is suspected, two men being under arrest. A fire engine was sent from Portland to the relief of the town.

The British Show Little Interest in Nicaragua Affairs.

Argument in the Neely case was begun before the United States supreme court.

National Irrigation Movement.

The holding of the national irrigation congress in the East, as it turned out, was a wise move. The Western delegates went home with the feeling that they have the hearty approval of eastern interests in securing action which will open up to settlement land capable of supporting fifty million people. They cannot but feel that this support is growing; that it is developing into a great movement; that many people are realizing the national irrigation movement as a Western development which will increase the national wealth beyond measure.

FIRST SUPPLY BILL

It Was Passed by the House in Record Time.

WAS NOT TEN MINUTES OF DEBATE

Legislative and Judicial Appropriation Bill, Carrying Over \$24,000,000, Went Through Unchallenged.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The first of the great supply bills, the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, passed by the house in record time today. The bill carries \$24,000,000, and was passed in less than ten minutes of debate.

The bill was introduced by Representative Bingham (Rep., Pa.), who was in charge of the measure, and a preliminary statement of its contents. Both parties in the recent campaign, Bingham said, pledged themselves to economy and retrenchment. The pending bill—the first of the big money bills—was a step in that direction.

Representative (Dem. Ind.) expressed the opinion that if retrenchment were desired, a provision be inserted in the bill to cut off the 30 days' sick leave in addition to the 30 days' leave now allowed to clerks in the executive departments.

Bingham explained that such legislation did not come within the purview of the pending bill. The law left the question of leave within the discretion of the various heads of departments.

Representative (Rep. Cal.) protested that clerks in the government service outside of Washington did not receive the same leave privileges received by those here, and he thought the unjust discrimination against the former should cease.

An amendment providing for 12 additional temporary clerks to dispose of accumulated business in the office of the controller of the treasury was adopted. At the conclusion of the reading of the bill, Bingham thanked the members for the confidence shown in the appropriation committee in allowing the bill to go through unchallenged, and the bill was then passed.

CHIRQUI COALING STATION.

United States May Purchase the Port From Colombia.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The greatest project of the United States government in the Pacific is to purchase the port of Chiriqui from Colombia. It is understood that the United States government has offered to purchase the port of Chiriqui from Colombia for \$1,000,000. The port is situated on the Pacific coast of Colombia, and is one of the best harbors in the world. It is situated on the Pacific coast of Colombia, and is one of the best harbors in the world. It is situated on the Pacific coast of Colombia, and is one of the best harbors in the world.

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