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DOINGS OF THE WEEK

A Complete Review of the Telegraphic News of This and All Foreign Lands.

German exports to America are said to be decreasing.

In Wisconsin it is estimated that 500,000,000 pine trees have been destroyed by fire.

Spanish forces are preparing to leave Cuba. Marching orders have been given at several points.

An authentic report received at San Francisco says the seal herds of the northern waters are being rapidly exterminated.

It is reliably reported that the ultimatum of the powers to Turkey regarding the island of Crete, has been presented to the sultan.

Advices from Van, Turkey, say fighting occurred at Alahgord between Turks and a number of Armenians from Russia. About 50 Armenians were killed.

A Quebec special says that Skagway or Dyea are to be placed under British administration, and that Canada will be allowed access to the Yukon by way of Lynn canal under the treaty now being perfected at Quebec.

It is estimated that the total hop crop of Washington this season will be between 27,700 and 30,000 bales. A considerable portion of the crop has been already contracted for on a basis of 10 and 11 cents per pound.

The story of the loss of the fishing schooner Bella has reached Seattle. The captain of the vessel was washed overboard and drowned. A member of the crew was also washed overboard, but rescued. The wreck has been beached by the Parallon.

Fire, supposed to have originated from forest fires, burned half of Cumberland, Wis., causing a property loss estimated at \$225,000. About 25 families are homeless. Five children are reported burned to death. A large saw mill is among the buildings burned, throwing many out of employment. Rain saved the entire city from being burned.

The steamer Gaelic has arrived in San Francisco from Hong Kong and Yokohama via Honolulu, bringing the congressional commission from the latter place. In speaking of the work of the commission Senator Cullum said: "We have done as much as was possible in the time at our disposal, and we have covered the ground thoroughly. When we meet in Washington we will go to work at once on a report."

Senor Agoncillo, the Philippine representative who has gone to Washington to ask that the insurgents be heard by the peace commissioners at Paris, has made public a translation of the Philippine constitution, which Aguinaldo was to have proclaimed at Malolos. By this constitution Aguinaldo is declared the president of the Philippines.

The aged Queen Louise of Denmark died at Copenhagen.

American and Spanish commissioners met and breakfasted together in Paris Thursday.

In Colorado, forest and prairie fires have done tremendous damage in Routt county, along the Raming Fork river, and down in the San Juan region.

In addition to the troops already ordered to go to Cuba not later than October 20, there will follow four more divisions, three of infantry and one of cavalry.

Secretary Alger has returned to Washington, after his inspection of the army camps. He says the troops did not take care of themselves, which accounts for their present condition.

A man has been arrested at Orsova charged with complicity in a plot to assassinate the king of Roumania. The police received timely warning and the attempt was frustrated. A phial of poison, a dagger and several other weapons were found in the man's possession.

Striking negro coalminers and imported negroes engaged in a pitched battle in the main street of Panama, Ill. Several hundred shots were fired. No one was wounded in the ranks of the union men. The negroes, it is believed, had several wounded men, and one died after reaching the stockades.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Panama, Colombia, says: It may be stated with entire confidence that Colombia has not defied Italy by declining to pay the Cerruti claim. The dispute with Italy is regarded as settled so far as the award of President Cleveland in the case is concerned. Sixty pounds sterling has already been paid to Ernesto Cerruti for personal damages, and the payment of the liabilities of Cerruti & Co. has been guaranteed.

Minor News Items.

The North Atlantic squadron is to be reduced from a force of about 100 vessels to 82.

A boiler burst at a sawmill near Evergreen, Ala., and Bud Archer, the engineer, his wife and child and his wife's sister were instantly killed.

A special train on the Chicago & Northwestern railway established a new record between Chicago and Omaha, making the run of 493 miles in nine hours and 29 minutes.

General Toral, who surrendered the Spanish army at Santiago to the Americans, arrived at Vigo, Spain, and was greeted with a storm of hisses and abuse.

Philip D. Armour, Marshall Field and Norman B. Ream, of Chicago, are said to have obtained control of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad.

Severe earthquake shocks were felt at Sioux City, Ia., Bloomfield, Neb., and at Elk Point and Hurley, S. D.

The Peruvian congress by an immense majority has sanctioned the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus.

A London special from Bombay says a ferry-boat capsized while crossing the Andus river, and 100 passengers were drowned.

The Hawaiian Star says the new government of Hawaii is to be territorial in form, with one representative in congress.

Dr. David J. Hill, of Rochester, N. Y., has been appointed first assistant secretary of state to succeed John B. Moore, resigned.

The Paris Figaro states that Count D'Aubigne, French chargé d'affaires at Munich, will replace M. Cambon as minister at Washington. Cambon will go to Madrid.

Thirty thousand people were present to witness the launching of the battleship Illinois at Newport News, Va. Many prominent persons were present from the national capital.

The American authorities in Manila have invited all the schoolteachers to resume the instruction of their classes. The schools have been closed since the surrender of Manila to the Americans.

Upon separate ballots being taken in the Oregon legislature Tuesday in Salem, H. W. Corbett received 26 votes, Judge Bennett, 24, and M. C. George, 10. Forty-six votes are required on joint ballot to elect.

A. P. Swineford, ex-governor of Alaska, while in Chicago declared the prospectors who have returned goldless from that region were unsuccessful because of lack of foresight in failing to prepare for life in a new country.

In consequence of serious disorders due to the presence of the insurgents in the vicinity of Manzanillo, General Lawton has dispatched thither the steamer Reina de Los Angeles with one battalion of four companies from the Third Immunes under Colonel Day.

Evacuation is well nigh completed and the Stars and Stripes will soon wave over the entire island of Porto Rico. The Spanish and American commissioners have worked in perfect harmony. The Spanish made no attempt to delay the carrying out of the terms of the protocol, but on the contrary were anxious to return to Spain.

Isaac Schlesinger, his wife and two children were held prisoners 14 hours at their home in West Taylor street, Chicago, by a crowd of 200 boys. During most of this time the family were compelled to go without food, at their alder was empty. They were in constant fear that an attack would be made upon them.

In the case brought by Governor Pingree, of Michigan, to compel the Michigan Central railway to sell mileage tickets at a flat 2 cents, the Wayne county district court holds that the company, under its special charter, has a right to fix its own tolls, and that this is a vested right which the state must pay for if it takes it away.

A report from General Otis to the department states that the total number of deaths among the troops at the Philippines in three months was 87.

The state department has issued a circular instructing the United States consulates to half-mast their flags in memory of the late Ambassador Bayard.

A warrant is out for the arrest of United States Senator Quay. Himself and son and other prominent Pennsylvania men are among the people's bank to speculate in stocks.

Thirty miles from Murfreesboro, Tenn., four prominent men were assassinated by John Hollingsworth and several of his friends, who fired upon them from ambush. Hollingsworth was later captured and shot by a posse.

General Fitzhugh Lee's corps will go to Cuba this month. The general himself is in excellent health. The camp at Jacksonville, Fla., is well watered and in splendid sanitary condition. Cuba, the general thinks, will be divided into military departments.

The steamer Fastnet has arrived at Vancouver, B. C., from Skagway with half a million more in dust, and with news that the Fastnet left. There will be but one more boat from Dawson, the Columbia, which will bring down a large amount of treasure.

Captain Dryfus, whether guilty or innocent, has certainly caused a veritable cyclone of passion to be let loose, and Paris was in a turmoil all Sunday. Crowds, scuffles, uproar and arrests were the programme of the day. About a score of people are said to have been seriously wounded in the various free fights.

Secretary Long, upon advice received at the state department, which show the existence of threatening conditions in China, has ordered Dewey to send two warships immediately from Manila to a point as near the Chinese capital as possible for a warship to approach. The vessels selected are the Baltimore and Petrel.

Bertha Beilstein killed her mother in Pittsburgh, Pa., and later put several bullets into her own body, from the effects of which she has not recovered. The only explanation the girl has given for her terrible deed were these words: "I was tired of life. It held no pleasure for me. I wanted to die and did not want mother to live and fret over my death. For that reason I killed her."

Rev. E. Fullerton, who has been appointed United States consul at Nagasaki, Japan, is a Methodist missionary.

The American Indian company has been formed in New York with a capital stock of \$18,000,000. Its object is to develop the resources of Cuba and Porto Rico.

President McKinley and as many members of his cabinet as can do so will attend some portion of the peace jubilee which begins at the Omaha exposition October 10.

Lieut. John W. Heard, of the Third United States cavalry, is the champion pistol shot of the United States army.

Mrs. L. Seelye, aged 60 years, died in Laport, Tex. Mrs. Seelye served in the civil war as Frank Thompson, of company F, Second Michigan volunteers, and was granted a pension as a veteran after proving her case.

A cable message from the European Union of Astronomers to Messrs. Chandler and Ritchie, announces the discovery of a minor planet with a remarkable orbit, which overlaps, to some extent, that of the planet Mars.

WORK WILL BE RUSHED

Americans Already Made Demands on Spain.

HIGHLY PLEASED WITH RESULTS

Report of Retention of the Philippine Islands Under the Veto of the Senate.

Paris, Oct. 5.—Major-General Merritt reached Paris today. The American peace commission held a session this morning preparatory to a second meeting with the Spanish commissioners this afternoon.

Today's session lasted until 4 o'clock, at which hour the commissioners adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock next Friday afternoon, such interval being desired and necessary to allow separate consideration by each commission of matters before the joint commission.

The interval will be thus filled with work by each commission, the ultimate results being facilitated. The secretary of the Spanish commission will arrive tonight, and the interval will also be employed by the secretaries jointly in making plans for the work of procedure. While the American commissioners were at luncheon today, General Merritt called at their hotel, but did not wait to see the commission. He will call again tomorrow to see members of the commission.

The Spanish and American commissioners will be received tomorrow by President Faure. The hour fixed for the reception of the Americans is 3:45 in the afternoon. General Merritt will accompany the Americans to this function, which will be held at the Palace de Eliseo.

The opinion is now held that the work of the commissioners may be finished within a month from the present time. While it is the general impression that today's meeting was again devoted to preliminary work, and that the adjournment to Friday was taken only to enable the secretaries to draw up a schedule of work, the representative of the press learns that the session was highly important, and that the Americans have made a demand of such character that the Spaniards find it necessary to ask for an adjournment in order to enable them to consult with the government at Madrid.

It is believed that the question concerns the Philippines, and it is known that the Americans are highly pleased at having so soon reached what they consider a very important phase of the negotiations, and consider the two sessions thus far held as very satisfactory to America.

The fact that a member of the commission expressed the belief that work would be completed within a month indicates a happy frame of mind.

In the Spanish camp great hopes are built on what they believe General Merritt will advise, namely, that the Philippines are incapable of self-government, and that the whole situation does not warrant America in taking the responsibility for the entire Philippines. The Spanish commissioners are quite ready to give whatever America asks in the way of coaling stations, but without anybody claiming the money.

Madrid Worried.

Madrid, Oct. 5.—The reported intention of the United States government to retain the whole of the Philippines has created almost a state of stupefaction here, and it is semi-officially announced that the Spanish government has resolved to vigorously combat any action which it is claimed, the terms of the peace protocol preclude. General Ric, governor of the Visayas islands, reports to the government another defeat of the insurgents. The Spanish volunteers, he says, also repulsed an insurgent attack on the town of Basan, and killed 31 of the attacking force.

TO CORNER WAR IMPLEMENTS.

Reported Scheme to Form a Combine of Warship and Gun Factories.

Cleveland, O., Oct. 5.—An evening paper says one of the most gigantic projects for a combination of capital is being examined in this city. It is nothing less than an attempt to unite the warship building interest and armor and gun-making interests of the world into one great syndicate. Men of international reputation in the financial and manufacturing world are in the deal. The projectors claim they can raise a capital of \$200,000,000.

Among the Clevelanders who are in the deal is said to be Colonel Myron T. Herrick, president of the Society of Savings, and Robert Wallace, president of the Cleveland Ship Building Company. Dr. Gatling, the famous inventor of guns, has been here in conference with other men in the deal. Armstrong, the inventor of the gun which bears his name, has also been here. Andrew Carnegie is one of the chief men in the negotiation. Robert Wallace is now in the West with several foreigners. Before he returns he will stop at San Francisco, and the proprietors of the Union Iron Works will be approached as to whether they will come into the deal.

Killed His Wife and Himself.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 4.—This evening Robert Lash, a desperate character, went to 224 Court street, where his wife was stopping, and, calling her into the hallway, shot her dead. Lash then killed himself with the same weapon. The tragedy was the culmination of many quarrels.

In the hotels built in China for the use of foreigners the highest stories are the most expensive because the treacherous.

Postoffice Department Ruling.

Washington, Oct. 4.—In a communication to the attorney-general, re: postmaster General Heath says the post office department holds that a referee in bankruptcy is an officer of the United States government, entitled to use the "penalty envelope," but is not satisfied that a trustee in bankruptcy is so entitled. The referee, he explains, is appointed by the court, and required to take the usual oath, while the trustee represents the creditors, is appointed by them, and is not required to take the oath.

THOUSANDS ARE SICK

Critical Condition of the Army in Porto Rico.

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