

## EVENTS OF THE DAY

An interesting collection of items from the two Hemispheres presented in a condensed form.

Oregon pheasants are to be "planted" in Illinois.

General Chaffee may be sent to the Philippines to succeed General Lawton. Prayer-meetings are being held in Holland for the success of the Boer army.

The navy is in need of more training-vessels and two first-class ones will soon be asked for.

Three wagon loads of mail will leave on the transport Grant for the soldiers in the Philippines.

The Santa Fe is now a competitor against the Southern Pacific for South American business.

A Paris dispatch says that the bank of Russia has advanced the bank of England \$5,000,000.

Two big lawsuits have been instituted in Chicago courts between Montana cattle companies.

Samuel Gompers has been unanimously re-elected president of the American Federation of Labor.

The Interstate commerce commission will grant railroads more time to equip their cars with safety appliances.

A marvelous quartz discovery is reported from Dawson. The ore averages \$800 to the ton, and the ledge is a mile wide.

Senator Fairbanks has introduced a bill granting a pension of \$2,000 yearly to the widow of General Lawton. A similar bill has been introduced in the house.

The National Association of Retail Druggists is strengthening its forces to fight the cut-rate druggists throughout the country.

Boers, with a sense of humor, send Baden-Powell, at Mafeking, a message in a five-pound shell: "Don't drink all the whisky; leave some for us when we get in."

The consul from the Orange Free State in New York city reports that many Americans have applied to him for enlistment in the Boer army. The majority of the applicants were soldiers who fought in the Spanish-American war.

England's troubles are multiplying. Abyssinia now threatens to turn upon the British. Emperor Menelik has put 200,000 men in the field and is said to have been preparing for war over the question of territorial rights. His armament is in excellent condition.

The senate will take up the currency bill on January 4.

The Negro uprising was caused by the Filipino junta at Hong Kong.

Two Chicago electricians are held to an estate in Hungary worth \$4,000,000.

Fire in Florence, S. C., destroyed the city hall, hotel, bank and five stores.

The controller of the treasury finds that Admiral Sampson was allowed too much pay.

The remains of the late Lieutenant Brumby were sent to Atlanta, Ga., for interment.

Eight lives were lost in the burning of two big tenement houses in New York city.

Goebel is making preparations for his coming fight against Governor Taylor, of Kentucky.

The transports Hancock and City of Puebla have reached Manila with two regiments of infantry.

All aged employees of the Pennsylvania railroad will be retired and pensioned January 19, 1900.

England has at last decided to send more cavalry to South Africa. This is according to Buller's wishes.

Sensor McBride, of Oregon, has introduced a bill to increase the pay of letter-carriers in large cities.

Sensor Shoup and party will visit Arizona and New Mexico to report on their application for statehood.

General Lawton was killed while in front of his troops at San Mateo, Luzon. He was shot in the breast and died immediately.

The supreme court of Ohio has rendered its decision in the bribery case of Attorney-General Monnett against the Standard Oil Company. The attorney-general furnished information to the effect that he was approached by Charles Squires, of New York, with a bribe of \$400,000 if he would permit the cases pending against the Standard Oil Company to go by default. It was claimed that Mr. Squires was the representative of the Standard Oil Company. The decision dismisses the cases on the ground that this fact was not established.

The Chicago & Northwestern road added 298 miles to its lines during 1899.

Governor-elect Nash, of Ohio, is a widower, and the social duties of his administration will devolve upon his stepdaughter, Mrs. Babcock.

Miss Mayne Jester, a niece of Buffalo Bill, is said to be the only female press agent on the road. She left the newspaper business to go into this new field.

Ex-President Harrison is one of the busiest lawyers in the United States and has probably the largest income from a legal practice in the west.

To mark the completion of Professor Edward O'Brien's 50th year as a teacher in Philadelphia over 2,000 of his former pupils attended a reception in his honor.

During the first nine months of American occupation exports of merchandise and gold coin from Havana to the United States reached a total of \$16,411,160 more than to all other countries.

## LATER NEWS.

An earthquake caused havoc in Southern California.

Admiral Dewey has reached the age limit of 65 years, but he will continue in service.

The Grangers' warehouse at Roseburg, Or., was destroyed by fire; loss, \$4,000, fully insured.

Four men were killed by a train wreck on the Northern Pacific near Beaumont, Montana.

A six-story building, 90 years old, was destroyed by fire in New York, entailing a loss of \$80,000.

At San Francisco the Carlisle Indians defeated the university of California in a football game; score, 2 to 0.

Julius Baldwin is dead at his home at the Dalles. He was one of the oldest and most prominent pioneers of the Northwest.

Thirty men perished in a colliery horror caused by fire damp explosion at the Bransell mine, near Brownsville, Pa.

Laurier's French-Canadian following is protesting against Canada sending any more troops to help England in South Africa.

Mrs. Potter Palmer will be appointed by President McKinley director of the American woman's department at the Paris exposition.

The state department will investigate the action of the British government in seizing several cargoes of American flour off Delagoa bay.

The trainwreck near Pomona, Cal., in which one life was lost and four were injured, was caused by the breaking of a locomotive wheel.

At Rome the pope solemnly inaugurated the holy year by performing the impressive ceremony of opening the holy door of St. Peter's cathedral.

Penitents threaten to make as much trouble as possible for Great Britain, and will hamper her operations in sending troops from home ports.

Twenty-one sailors from the British steamship Ariosto were drowned in Hatteras, N. C., surf. Their lifeboat was swamped. Their companions were subsequently rescued by the life-saving service.

The situation in the Philippines is very gratifying to Washington officials. The insurgent army has practically disappeared from Northern Luzon, where all ports will be open January 1. Otis will then give his attention to the South.

The charred remains of W. J. Thomas, a farmer, and his three children, were found in the ashes of their home, 11 miles southwest of Chillicothe, Kan. It is supposed that Thomas murdered the children and then set fire to the house and took his own life. About a year ago Thomas' wife committed suicide by taking poison.

Buller's losses at Colenso were 1,119 men.

Chicago poolrooms were closed by the police.

London papers fret under restraint of censorship.

Col Smith Russell will retire from the stage for a year.

Lieutenant Churchill has arrived safely at Delagoa bay.

Swift & Co. are to be paid for a lot of beef that spoiled.

A receiver has been appointed for the Globe National bank of Boston.

Near Norwood, O., a man was shot and killed for cutting telegraph wires.

Both salt and borax have been discovered in Lake county lakes, Southern Oregon.

Price of hops has already materially advanced in consequence of the pool formed by Oregon growers.

President Kruger has entered protest against England's being permitted to purchase war supplies in this country.

Puerto Rico has been officially declared open to commerce, and the Venezuelan revolution is considered at an end.

The Filipinos have placed a large order with a continental firm for artillery. They are said to have plenty of money.

The warden of a California prison is confronted with a problem. A prisoner whose term has expired refuses to leave the penitentiary.

Ex-United States Senator Washburne, of Minnesota, is suggested by Indiana politicians for the head of the proposed Oriental commission.

Dwight L. Moody, the famous evangelist, is dead at his home in East Northfield, Mass. The cause of his death was a general breaking down due to overwork.

The Venezuelan government troops completely defeated the rebels under General Hernandez. It is believed that many prisoners were taken and that a large quantity of ammunition was seized. General Hernandez fled.

Missionaries in Tibet have a hopeful and dangerous task before them. After three years' work not a single convert has been obtained. The Buddhist priests, owing to China's internal troubles, are in absolute control, and will make physical war on the introduction of Christianity.

Governor Stone, of Pennsylvania, expresses the opinion that every husband should heed to his wife the homestead.

Sensor Dewey has leased the Corcoran mansion at Washington for his full senatorial term of six years at an aggregate rental of \$80,000.

A monument, a granite shaft 70 feet high, is to be erected on an eminence at Erie, Pa., overlooking the lake, in memory of the late Captain V. P. Gridley, of the Olympia.

Baroness Hirsch has given over \$5,000,000 to charity since the death of her husband.

The total gold production of the Cripple Creek district in November was \$2,515,500, an increase of more than 25 per cent over the largest previous monthly record.

The supreme court of Minnesota, in a case where a husband sought to secure possession of his wife, aged 18 years, decided that girls under age can marry without their parents' consent, notwithstanding the state law on age of consent.

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## IDEAS COME TOO HIGH

Marconi Wants the Earth for His Invention.

WE WILL MAKE A BETTER ONE

Yankee Genius Will Be Set to Work at Once to Build an Apparatus for Wireless Telegraphy.

Rome, Dec. 25.—A terrible disaster took place this afternoon at Anagni, the popular tourist resort on the Gulf of Salerno. About 2 o'clock an enormous rock, upon which stood the Capriotti hotel, slid bodily into the sea with a deafening roar and without a moment's warning, carrying with it the hotel, the old Capriotti monastery and several villas. Many people were buried in the debris, which crushed four vessels to the bottom of the sea, destroying their crews. The mass of earth which slipped was about 50,000 cubic yards.

The population is in a state of terror, fearing fresh calamities. Troops have arrived upon the scene and have begun rescue work. It is believed that the loss of life is heavy, including a number of monks and the occupants of the hotel. As yet it is impossible to ascertain the exact number.

Amalfi is a small, but lively town of 7,000 inhabitants, situated at the entrance of a deep ravine, surrounded by imposing mountains, and rocks of the most picturesque forms. The Capriotti monastery was founded in 1212 by Cardinal Pietro Capriotti, for the Capriotti, but came into possession of the Capriotti in 1683. The building, which stood in the hollow of a rock that rose abruptly from the sea to a height of 230 feet, contained fine cloisters.

TRAGEDY AT A REHEARSAL.

Eleven School Children Burned to Death at Quincy, Ill.

Quincy, Ill., Dec. 25.—While a school children of St. Francis' parochial school, Seventeenth and Vine streets, were rehearsing this afternoon for an entertainment to be given Tuesday evening, the dresses of one caught on fire from a gas jet and 10 minutes after four of them are burned to death, two died an hour later, and five others were burned more or less severely.

The dead are: Irene Frieberg, May Waverling, Mary Althoff, Bernardino Tross, Melitta Middendorf, Mary Hoke, Wilhelmina Gottschold, Olivia Timpe, Adelle Fattorini, Josephine Bohne, Margaret Warner, Josephine.

All of these are between 9 and 11 years old. Helen Zebbing and several other teachers, Father Nicholas and Professor Muehlhoff, were painfully burned trying to rescue the children. The school hall was filled with children, and many would have been killed in the panic which followed had it not been for the prompt efforts of the teachers and Sisters, who were in charge of the entertainment and were present. The children rushed for the doors, but prompt efforts quieted them, and no one was hurt in the rush.

BROOKE'S FAREWELL.

Banquet Tendered the Retiring Governor of Cuba.

Havana, Dec. 25.—Sixty-five persons were present at the farewell banquet tendered to General Brooke today at the Paris restaurant. General Mario Menocal presided, and Ernest Lee Cogswell acted as toastmaster. Major General Wood, in response to words of welcome, said:

"The United States is in Cuba in the person of representatives, who intend to carry out a great work and to fulfill strictly the promises of the United States congress. As for myself, I can only do what the president has sent me to do, but I hope to enjoy the esteem and confidence of the Cuban people as General Brooke has enjoyed them."

General Brooke said:

"I shall always remember the long hours of toil in Cuba, but I shall also ever recall the kindness shown me by all Cubans, especially by those who realize that the Americans are their best friends."

Missing Under Butte.

Minnesota, Dec. 25.—A special to the Times from Butte, Mont., says: Alexander Tarbet, a Salt Lake mining man, today closed a deal with the owners of the mineral rights to the Destroying Angel and Copper Bottom Lodge claims, by which he secured control of the interest for \$300,000. The veins run through the business portion of the city, and the Destroying Angel was uncovered recently by persons who were excavating for the foundation of a hotel. It has developed into the richest copper mine in this district, and the new owners intend to tunnel under the city. As soon as the deal was closed this afternoon, they started to sink a shaft, which will put down 1,000 feet at the corner of Broadway and Arizona streets, within a half block of the two principal hotels and the city hall.

Forty Children Drowned.

Brussels, Dec. 25.—Upwards of 40 school children were drowned today in an ice accident at Freilighem, near the French frontier. The children of the district had been given a holiday, with permission to play on a frozen river Lyens. When the merriment was at full height, the ice broke suddenly and the children disappeared. A few were rescued half dead but the majority were drowned. Thirty-six bodies have been recovered, but others are still missing.

Shocked and Bled to Death.

Seattle, Dec. 25.—Theodore Mayers, a lineman in the employ of the Grant-Street Railway Company, met death this afternoon from the combined effects of an electric shock and a 20-foot fall from a pole, the fall being caused by the shock. He was formerly a resident of Los Angeles.

Calm Before the Storm.

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## PROTECTED HER HOME.

Young Woman Shot and Killed an Intruder.

Natick, Mass., Dec. 25.—Lewis Perry, aged 33, Spanish war veteran, was shot and killed today by Miss Lillian Perry, at her home in West Natick. Four shots were fired, two of them taking effect, one in the heart.

Miss Perry, who was placed under arrest, says that the circumstances justified her in shooting Perry. The Perry family is one of the wealthiest and best known in town. Miss Perry and the members of her family claim that Perry and Arnold Slappen, on bicycles, rode up to the Perry home, demanded admittance without stating their business, and, upon being refused, smashed several windows. Miss Perry went to the bureau drawer and loaded a 25-caliber revolver. She claims that the men went around to the front of the house, where Perry finished smashing the glass in one of the windows, and climbed in, in spite of her remonstrances. After gaining an entrance, he grabbed Miss Elreta Perry and, with which she tried to protect herself, she shot him. Perry's sister's assistant informed Perry that she could shoot him if he did not leave the house. He gave her a terrific blow with the mallet and felled her to the floor. She managed to get up again, and told Perry to get out of the house, when he dared her to shoot. She then fired four shots at Perry, who managed to climb through the window and then fell dead.

WANTED HIS PICTURE IN PRINT.

New York Man Shot His Wife and Killed Himself.

Binghamton, N. Y., Dec. 25.—John Edgar Gardner, in order to get his picture into print, shot his young wife and then killed himself today. Gardner was 50 years of age, his wife 29. They had been married but a short time, and were living apart on account of his bad habits. On several occasions he had asked how she would like to see his picture in a local paper. His wife took fright at this, and forbade him to come out, as he was going West. She declined, and he forced his way in to her apartments, saying, "See what I have brought you," drew a revolver and shot her twice, one bullet passing through her arm, the other entering her side. The woman was able to rush from the house to a neighbor's. When the police officers arrived Gardner walked to the center of a room in full view of the officers, and, placing the weapon to his head, killed himself.

Crater Lake Park.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Among the familiar bills of the last congress to reappear this year are two that were introduced by Representative Tongue, of Oregon. One is his bill for creating a public park, including Crater Lake, and much of the surrounding country, and the other is his bill providing for the examination and classification of the lands in the Roebuck and Oregon City land districts within the grant made to the Oregon & California Railroad Company. Both bills are practically the same as were presented in the last congress.

The Crater Lake bill proposes to set aside a tract of 249 square miles, without drawing it from settlement or sale and making it a public park or pleasure ground, to be known as the Crater Lake National Park. This park, if established, is to be under the control of the secretary of the interior, who will preserve the lands in their natural condition and prevent all residence, mining, lumbering or other business operations within its limits. The old provisions for governing and protecting the park. It is proposed that the costs and expenses of creating the park shall be borne by the general government. This was last provision that aroused Speaker Reed against the bill last congress. Now that Reed is out of congress, the bill may have a better chance of becoming a law.

Wages Advanced.

Pittsburg, Dec. 25.—The Carnegie Steel Company posted today, at its various works in this city, notices reading substantially as follows:

"Taking effect January 1, 1900, common labor at our works will be increased to \$1.50 per day, and all other day turn and tonnage labor (with certain exceptions), will be increased in proportion."

The exceptions are the tonnage men working under sliding scales, where the rates of wages increase and decrease in proportion to the proceeds of the products. This adjustment is 7.41 per cent advance on the wages now being paid, making a total of 25 per cent increase made by the company voluntarily since the last general scale.

Five Thousand Bills Introduced.

Washington, Dec. 25.—The officials of the house of representatives have struck a balance on the recent deluge of bills, showing that up to the recess the records stood: Total bills introduced, 5,015; joint resolutions, 95; simple resolutions, 65; grand total, 5,175 measures of all kinds.

Street Car Dynamited.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 25.—For the third time since the strike was declared against the Springfield consolidated railway, November 10, a street car was dynamited at 11:30 o'clock last night. The car was blown off the track and completely wrecked. No passengers were aboard, and the motor man and conductor were not injured. The explosion happened in the heart of the city, at Eighth street and Capitol avenue, and caused great excitement.

First Supply Bill.

Washington, Dec. 25.—The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, the first of the important supply bills for the current year, is practically ready to pass, and the total will amount to \$71,000,000. The items have already been sent by the several departments, and these are being put together so that the appropriation committee will be able to submit the bill to the house soon after it assembles. Of this amount, \$48,167,871 is asked for the war department, and \$23,142,740 for the navy.

## SLID INTO THE SEA

Terrible Disaster in a Village of Italy.

LOSS OF LIFE REPORTED HEAVY

An Enormous Rock Fell, Carrying With It Hotels, Villas and a Famous Monastery.

New York, Dec. 25.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Rear-Admiral Bradford has asked authority from the navy department to establish a bureau at the naval training station at Newport for the development of a naval system of wireless telegraphy. It is proposed to detail several officers having high electrical knowledge at this station and to furnish facilities for study and experiment, in the belief that something better than Marconi's apparatus may be devised.

The project to secure Marconi's system for the navy has been practically abandoned. In the first place the range was found to be exceedingly limited, especially when vessels were rolling in a seaway, and their topmasts continuously varied in height above the water. Then there was the insuperable objection of interference, two stations being unable to hold intelligent communication when a third station within their circle of sensitiveness undertook to send a message to either point. This defect destroys the value of the system where more than two ships cruised in squadron or where an enemy chose to send disturbing messages.

Finally, Marconi's terms of \$20,000 for the first year and \$10,000 annually thereafter were regarded as exorbitant for the use of his half-developed invention. He declined absolutely to modify his proposition, which compelled the navy to take 20 sets of apparatus or more, and to pay \$500 outright for each set, and \$500 a year each as royalty for their use. He refused to send two or three sets for experimental purposes, and gave American naval officers to understand that he did not care to do business on a small scale when European navies were fighting for the exclusive use of his coherer and other essential features, in spite of the system's radical shortcomings, as discovered on this side of the Atlantic. Marconi's attitude toward the army was scarcely different, and the signal corps is going ahead on a system of its own, which avoids the Italian's patents, and already is said to be producing better results.

Rear-Admiral Bradford believes that some of the electrical experts of the naval equipment bureau, if the opportunity is given them, will produce apparatus to meet the peculiar conditions of the navy without Royalist expenditure, and in all probability the experiments he desires will be ordered. One station will be located at the training station and the other at the torpedo school, on islands about a mile apart, and as progress is made other stations will be set up at various points in Newport harbor, where torpedo-boats are always available, with vessels in motion or for miniature fleet evolutions. Several forms of apparatus from American inventors have already been submitted for test, and doubtless others will be received when the work is actually started.

Entered in a Free Fight.

Paris, Dec. 25.—A pro-Boer demonstration took place this evening at the Tivoli Vauxhall, the executive committee of the Jeuneurs Royalistes, ended in a riot. The socialists entered in force and broke up the meeting, amid indescribable uproar and shouts of "Vive la social revolution," and "A bas Droulede," with counter cries of "Vive Droulede" and "Vive l'armee."

Several nationalists who were present endeavored to speak, but they were quite inaudible. A free fight ensued, and the proprietor of the hall turned off the gas. The combatants then fought, smashing the fittings of the hall and using them as weapons. Finally the police cleared the room, but they were compelled to charge several times before order was re-established.

The Lighthouse Is Dark.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 25.—The lighthouse steamer Quadra left this afternoon for Egg Island. Passing steamers report no beacon showing at the lighthouse there. The keeper is frail, and it is feared he may have died. He has a little daughter, 8 years old, with him.

Separate Sleeping Cars for Negroes.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 25.—Governor Chandler today signed the bill prohibiting the sleeping-car companies operating in the state from furnishing berths to negro passengers, except in coaches used especially for the accommodation of negroes.

New York Aldermen Favor Boers.

New York, Dec. 25.—The board of aldermen today adopted a resolution praying "the God of battles" to make the Boers successful in the war against England. The resolution now will go to the council, and if that body concurs, will come before Mayor Van Wyck for his approval.

Instantly Killed.

Roebuck, Dec. 25.—A George Noah, engineer at the Oregon Brewery & Ice Company's plant, in this city, while attempting to put on a pump belt, was caught by a large pulley running at high speed, and instantly killed. The body was dreadfully mangled. No one was present. The other employees on the premises heard a scream, rushed to the spot, and stopped the engine. The victim's brains were scattered all over the engine-room.

Soda Tank Exploded.

Woodburn, Or., Dec. 25.—By the explosion of a soda tank in the Woodburn soda works building today, Ernest C. Jones and Lawrence Mosherberger were seriously injured, and a portion of the factory building was badly wrecked. The cause of the explosion is a mystery.

New Paris, Ind., Dec. 25.—Five burglars entered the private bank of William Sharp last night and blew the safe open with nitro-glycerine. The explosion threw out the front door and windows of the building and aroused city residents.

## DEAD OF THE MAINE.

Battleship Texas Arrives at Newport News With Remains.

Newport, News, Va., Dec. 27.—The battleship Texas, in command of Captain Sigsbee, arrived here shortly before noon today, with the remains of the men who lost their lives by the destruction of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor. The bodies of the Maine heroes will be transferred to a Chesapeake & Ohio train tomorrow at 12 o'clock, and will be taken to Washington for interment in Arlington cemetery Thursday.

The Texas left Havana last Thursday. She encountered a gale off Hatteras, but had good weather until she reached that point. She anchored in Lynnhaven bay last night, and came up to Old Point this morning. After the quarantine regulations had been complied with she came to this city.

Chaplain Chadwick, who was chaplain of the Maine, is in charge of the Maine's dead heroes, and will accompany them to Washington. No more than a score of the bodies of the Texas were identified. The names of those are inscribed on the coffins, which enclose their mortal remains.

There were no ceremonies here today in honor of the arrival of the Maine's dead, but impressive exercises will take place tomorrow when the bodies are transferred from the ship to the train.

UNDER MARTIAL LAW.

Military Governors for Northern Luzon—Yves and Hood Appointed.

Manila, Dec. 27.—General B. M. Young has been appointed military governor of the provinces of Northwestern Luzon, with headquarters at Yigan. His command includes the Thirty-third infantry, under Colonel Luitel H. H. Hare, and the Third cavalry. He will establish permanent stations at San Fernando and Laoag, with outposts where needed.

The Sixteenth infantry will proceed to Aparri, garrisoning such towns as may be deemed necessary in the provinces of Cagayan, Isabela and Nueva Vizcaya, of which Colonel Hood has been appointed military governor.

General Young and Colonel Hood are establishing municipal governments, and the ports in Northern Luzon will be opened for trade about January 1.

EXPLOSION WAS TERRIFIC.

May Be Forty Dead in the Bransell Mine.

Brownsville, Pa., Dec. 27.—The horror of the Bransell mine disaster grows in intensity with every hour. The number of the dead is now estimated at 40, and may pass that figure. At the same time there is a strong presumption that the laws regulating mining were carelessly and probably criminally disregarded. Today the first bodies of the victims were brought out of the mine, and never in the history of mine disasters were human beings so horribly mutilated. It was nearly 11 o'clock when the first of the bodies was taken out, 28 hours after the explosion. At 5:30 three more were brought to the surface, and again at 6:30 three came up in the cage of the main shaft.

Collided With a Milk Train.

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