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HANNA SAYS NO. Not a Candidate for Chairman of Republican Convention.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The navy department has been advised by cable from Admiral Watson of the death of Commander James W. Carlin on board the Colquhoun, from an attack of peritonitis. He was on his way to the naval hospital at Yokohama for treatment when he died, December 30 last.

Effect of California Earthquake. SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 3.—Reports received from the back counties show that the recent earthquake was the cause of a number of strange happenings.

FLANKING THE BOERS

Pitcher's Raid the First Step in Methuen's Plan.

FRENCH IN A TIGHT PLACE

Lord Roberts Will Probably Order Him Back—Fighting Continues Around Colesburg.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The Associated Press learns from an authoritative source that Colonel Pitcher's occupation of Douglas is regarded as merely the first step of General Methuen's carefully matured plans to outflank the Boers.

The report of the Boer attack upon Molleno is not yet confirmed. Apparently General French holds nothing within five miles of Colesburg Junction. His reserves for reinforcements dispels any present hope that he will be able to seize one of the crossings of the Orange river.

Eight additional militia regiments have been called out. Several of these will arrive in Ireland, replacing the regulars sent to South Africa.

Hon. Sidney Robert Greville, equity to the Prince of Wales, has resigned the prince's commission as a result of the recent election.

The papers comment upon the fact that, in view of the state of public opinion, it is much easier to go to war than to stay at the clubs, which wear a particularly deserted aspect.

FIGHTING AROUND COLESBURG.

The Boers Resist French at Every Point. NAAUWPOORT, Cape Colony, Jan. 3.—There was brisk fighting today in the hills around Naaauwpoort. The Boers stubbornly resisted the British at every point, but gradually retreated.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—A special dispatch from Naaauwpoort, dated Tuesday, January 2, says the British command Norval's force has no way to retreat except by way of Nornberg.

COLESBURG NOT OCCUPIED.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—Latest advices from the Colesburg district tend to modify the estimate of General French's success. The predicted occupation of Colesburg had not been accomplished last evening, while the Boers' guns, announced to have been sent to the front, were still active.

BOERS ATTACK MOLLENO.

STERKSTROM, Cape Colony, Jan. 3.—Morning.—The Boers attacked Molleno this morning. A brisk action is now in progress.

PITCHER'S RAID.

British Public Making the Most of the Miniature Battle. LONDON, Jan. 3.—Lacking news from the main British camps in South Africa, whose future action can alone have an important effect on the larger issues of the campaign, the British public is making the most of Colonel Pitcher's miniature battle.

WELL-KNOWN NAVAL OFFICER DIED ON THE COLQUHOUN.

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COMMANDER CARLIN DEAD.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Commander Carlin was among the officers of the navy who were at Apia, Samoa, at the time of the memorable hurricane March 15, 1889.

PETER WILKES.

STOCKTON, Cal., Jan. 3.—Peter S. Wilkes, an attorney, once a member of the Confederate congress, is dead at his home here, aged 74 years.

RALPH PHILLIPSON.

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—Ralph Phillipson, a retired wealthy clothing-dealer, died suddenly of heart disease late last night at the conclusion of an address to the members of the district grand lodge, No. 6, Independent Order B'nai B'rith.

THREE ARE GUILTY

DeRoulede, Guerin and Buffet the Only Conspirators.

END OF FAMOUS FRENCH TRIAL

The Sentence Will Be Between Five and Ten Years' Detention or Banishment.

PARIS, Jan. 3.—The conspiracy trial before the senate, sitting as the high court, came to an end today, except for the sentences in the case of those convicted. Out of the 75 alleged conspirators who were thrown into prison five months

THE NEXT SENATOR FROM KENTUCKY.

Joseph C. S. Blackburn, the choice of the democratic caucus for United States senator from Kentucky to succeed Senator Lindsay, was born in Woodford county, Kentucky, October 1, 1838.

BOERS SHELL A KIMBERLEY MINE.

KIMBERLEY, Dec. 28.—The Boers last night evinced considerable interest in the Premier mine, using their searchlights. This morning they actively shelled the fort. The Royal artillery replied.

GATEAU TURNED THE BOERS BACK.

STERKSTROM, Jan. 3.—General Gateau today met the invading force at Cyphoragat, near the British advance camp at Bushmanhook. The Boers retired hurriedly after the heavy artillery opened fire.

PATROL FORCES' LOSSES.

FRERE CAPE, Jan. 3.—The British Thornecroft's patrol found the enemy in some force at the Little Tugela bridge. Their presence was discovered by scouts. It is reported that five men and a lieutenant of the party have not returned.

OPENING PRISON DOORS.

Excitement in Santiago. Cuban Partisans Say a Crisis is Imminent. SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Jan. 3.—The news of the conference at Havana between Governor-General Wood and the Cuban leaders, including General Jose Miro, of this province, has provoked considerable excitement here.

THE "OPEN-DOOR" POLICY.

England Pleased With Result of Hay's Negotiations. LONDON, Jan. 4.—The Times, in an editorial this morning, dealing with the action of the United States government with regard to the "open door" in China, says:

ARMY TUG SUNK.

BOSTON, Jan. 3.—The United States quartermaster's tug Resolute, Captain George Loring, was sunk in the harbor early tonight in a collision with the steel ocean tug Swatara. All on board are believed to have been saved except Henry Ottobone, who had not been found at a late hour tonight.

MEAT PRICES ADVANCED.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Jan. 3.—Local and Northwestern retail butchers have advanced the price of veal and pork 1 cent per pound. It is stated the advance is to be general all over this section, and that it is due to scarcity of livestock throughout the Northwest, which has made it difficult for the packing-houses to secure enough for the increasing demands.

DINNER AT THE WHITE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The first of the formal dinners of the social season at the White House was given by President and Mrs. McKinley tonight, the members of the cabinet and their wives being guests of honor.

VENEZUELAN ORDER FOR NAVAL OFFICERS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The Venezuela government has conferred the order of the "Bast of Bolivar" on Admiral Sampson, Captains Taylor, Cook, Sigbee, Chadwick, Goodrich and Commanders Mead, Dayton, Symonds and Todd, of the navy, and Representative Hitt has introduced a bill authorizing the acceptance of the decorations.

FOR PORTAGE LINE

Wilson's Report Against Boat Railway Sent to Congress.

WORTHY OF SOME IMPROVEMENT

Moody Says Scheme of Chief of Engineers Would Operate to Disadvantage of Eastern Oregon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The report of General Wilson against the boat railway at the Dalles was sent to congress today. It is fully as strong as predicted in the dispatches two weeks ago.

WHAT MOODY SAYS.

Representative Moody says he is glad that General Wilson advises that the construction at the Dalles warrants improvement. That much is a valuable concession. But he points out that the ultimate reason for the construction of a portage road would be to decrease railroad rates slightly, but sufficiently to take all the trade from the portage road.

NO PLACE FOR AN OREGON MAN.

Senators McBride and Simon were in the chamber today on the reassembling of congress. They both reported having had a pleasant time in their visits to old friends during the holiday recess.

THE GORMAN MACHINE WORKING.

At Annapolis today the Gorman machine took complete charge of everything in Maryland politics. In the senate, Gorman is busy laying wires for his return to the senate.

NOT COMING TO PORTLAND.

The transport Pennsylvania, recently called from Manila for San Francisco, and not for Portland, as was reported.

STORM WARNINGS.

Livestock Men, as Well as Mariners, Will Be Notified. FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 3.—The National Livestock Association, with the assistance of F. H. Brandenburg, resident director of the weather bureau at Denver, has just issued a warning to the livestock men which is of considerable importance.

GUAYMAS THREATENED.

Yaqui Indians May Attack the Sea-port. CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—A special to the Record from Austin, Tex., says that a dispatch from Orizaba state of Sonora, Mexico, says that a courier has reached there from General Torres' camp, who says there is much activity in the Yaqui Indian camps, and that definite information has been received that the Indians are preparing for an attack on the city of Guaymas.

TORRENS LAND ACT VALID.

BOSTON, Jan. 3.—The Torrens land act, the validity of which was questioned, was declared to be constitutional by the supreme judicial court today.

PLAGUE SCARE AT HAWAII.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—The steamer Australia, from Honolulu, reports the death of a white girl at Honolulu December 2, and two Chinese found dead in the Chinese quarter Christmas day. These fatalities started the plague scare again, and every precaution was being taken to stamp out the disease when the boat left.

WILL NOT TOUCH AT HONOLULU.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 3.—Until all danger of a spread of the plague now prevalent in Honolulu is past, transports leaving this port for the Philippines will not stop there, but will go straight through to their destination.

SIX HUNDRED LIVES LOST.

Awful Result of the Earthquake in Tiflis, Russia. ST. PETERSBURG, Jan. 3.—The latest reports from Achalkalek, in the government of Tiflis, show that 600 lives were lost during the earthquake which visited that district Monday.

AFRAID OF WESTERN COMPETITION.

ODESSA, Jan. 3.—According to the local papers, German machinery manufacturers are uneasy at the proposed exhibitions of American and British agricultural implements at Moscow, Kiev and Odessa. The German guilds, therefore, have expressed an intention also to take

TO PREVENT PLAGUE.

Vessels From Hawaiian Ports Should Be Quarantined.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Surgeon-General Wyman today received a long report from Surgeon Carmichael, who is stationed in Honolulu, bearing on the condition of affairs there regarding the bubonic plague. After giving details which have been already published, Carmichael says what is considered the plague bacillus has been isolated in but two of the cases, although the clinical symptoms were much alike in the first five cases reported.

THE WOLFSON INSURANCE POLICY.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—Public Administrator Kolger today announced that he will not turn over the \$10,000 held by him on the Wolfson life insurance policy paid by the New York Life Insurance Company until the courts decide that he must do so.

DAILY TREASURY STATEMENT.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance . . . . . \$23,773,511 Gold reserve . . . . . 236,673,225