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SAN FRANCISCO PLAGUE CASES

Newspapers Still Disputing With the Health Authorities.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 14.—The Bulletin publishes the report of Federal Quarantine Officer Kinyoun, in which he states that from March 7 to October 14 there have been 18 deaths in San Francisco from the plague. The Bulletin says that it is well known that there has not been a single authenticated case of plague in San Francisco. Dr. J. M. Williamson, of the San Francisco Board of Health, says there has been 21 or 22 cases of bubonic in this city since the first case was discovered last March. The last case was reported November 3. The disease has been confined almost entirely to the Chinese quarter, and all but two or three of those afflicted were dead when they were reported to the health department. Local quarantine has been at once established over the places where the deaths occurred, and every precaution taken to prevent the spread of the disease. Since the first discovery by the local board of health last March of what they called the plague, the San Francisco newspapers have insisted that the health officials were mistaken. Statements were obtained from physicians in which they said the Chinese alleged to have died of plague, suffered from syphilitic diseases, the symptoms of which had been mistaken by the health board as those of plague.

Better Roads for Automobiles.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—A meeting of the organization committee of the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers of America was held today, and the members talked at length over the advisability of making the association similar to that of the League of American Wheelmen. The meaning of this is practically that the automobile association, a very large organization, with numbers of influential and moneyed men in it, is to begin a fight for better roads in this country.

A Contest in Tennessee.

MEMPHIS, Nov. 14.—Congressman-elect M. R. Patterson, of the Tenth District, has been served with notice by Zachary Taylor, his Republican opponent, that his seat in the House will be contested. Mr. Taylor does not say on what grounds the contest will be made.

HENRY VILLARD'S FUNERAL

Services Held at His Late Residence Yesterday.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—The funeral services of Henry Villard were held at his late residence, Thornwood, Dobbs Ferry, this afternoon. The Rev. Theo Williams, of Hackney Hall, Tarrytown, officiated. Among those in attendance outside of the immediate family, were: William Lloyd Garrison, Sr., and William Lloyd Garrison, Jr., Wendell Phillips Garrison, Charles Garrison, Philip McK. Garrison, Frank Garrison, Charles Ainsworth Spofford, Carl Schurz, Horace White, Thomas A. Edison, C. F. McKim, General Samuel Thomas, Arthur von Briesen, Edward P. Call, August Lewis, Junius Henry Brown, Charles C. Beaman, Wheeler H. Peckham, Jacob H. Schiff, William Nelson Cromwell, J. D. Archbald, Frederick W. Holls and Colgate Hoyt. The interment will be in Sleepy Hollow Cemetery tomorrow.

Marcus Daly's Funeral.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—The funeral of the late Marcus Daly, of Montana, will take place tomorrow morning at 11:45 from St. Patrick's Cathedral. The family and a few of the most intimate friends of Mr. Daly will accompany the body to Greenwood cemetery, where it will be placed in John W. Mackey's mausoleum. Later a plot will be purchased in Greenwood and the body will be interred there.

Belgian Hare Exhibition.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—The first annual exhibition of the American Belgian Hare Association of North America opened here today with about 500 entries in the 23 classes. Twenty-nine prizes are offered, aside from the distinctions conferred by the judges. Famous animals from Mexico, California and Canada are on exhibition, and more are arriving. Bucks worth as high as $2000, and does as high as $1000, are on exhibition. The show will last throughout the week.

Provincial Legislature Dissolved.

HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 14.—The Prince Edward Island Provincial Legislature has been dissolved, and December 12 appointed election day. The present local government is a Liberal administration, under Premier Farquharson. The dissolution announcement was a surprise.

BIG FIRM FAILED

New York House of W. L. Strong & Co.

LIABILITIES WILL REACH MILLIONS

Creditors Filed Attachments, but Afterward Withdrew Same, Presumably to Favor Receiver.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—The cause of the Strong failure was made public today by counsel for the firm in the action for the receivership. The counsel said that the Strong firm had indorsed more than $500,000 in notes for the Stott woolen mills, for which the firm was agent, and that the odd circumstances of the death of Mayor Strong and F. H. Stott, heads of the two concerns, within three days of each other, had brought about a crisis by dissolving both firms at a moment when large sums were due. The Stott mills are located in Stottville, N. Y. One note indorsed for the Stott Company for $100,000 is due tomorrow; other notes for nearly $500,000 are nearly due. The Stott Company, in which the Strong Company is largely interested, counsel said, had indorsed notes of the Strong Company in return, but for an insignificant amount, probably for less than $100,000. "If either Mr. Strong or Mr. Stott had lived, the difficulty might have been settled without public embarrassment," said the representative of the counsel. "We cannot say what action will be taken in regard to winding up the business of the Stott Company, but it is the debts of that concern rather than those of Strong & Co. that has brought about the present crisis. The Stott partnership is dissolved, the same as that of Strong & Co."

Receiver Edward A. Treat, when asked about the Philadelphia dispatch to the effect that the liabilities of Strong & Co. might amount to $6,000,000, said that reports of this kind were all guesswork. He said the liabilities might not be one-half that, perhaps not one-quarter.

The Herald will say tomorrow:

"Along with other developments in connection with the affairs of W. L. Strong & Co., yesterday, came the report that Strong had become interested in mill property, and had invested extensively in the Griswold Worsted Company, Ltd., of Philadelphia. This concern was a manufacturer of worsted yarns, and sold its own goods. While mill property is regarded as a very undesirable asset for a dry-goods commission house, it would seem, in view of the fact that various members of the Gliswold family had obtained foreign attachments against W. L. Strong & Co., with bail amounting to $35,760, that W. L. Strong & Co. was indebted to the concern on note indorsements, or other financial operations, rather than on any merchandise accounts. Were such not the case, lawyers are at a loss to explain how the Philadelphia interests could obtain an attachment levying in part upon what are apparently their own goods. This attachment, it was announced late this afternoon by the attorneys for the receiver, had been withdrawn.

The exact amount of the claim, it was said, was $162,000, and the bail raised the figures to double that amount, or $324,160. No reason was assigned locally to explain the withdrawal of the attachment, unless it be due, as was intimated by a friend of the late Mr. Strong, to the efforts being made to induce the various creditors to refrain from actions which might tend to complicate the work of the receiver. Mr. Treat is working earnestly with the closest business friends of the house to straighten out its affairs in the shortest possible time.

W. L. Strong & Co. had never made a statement of its affairs to the banks of the city, or to the commercial agencies. Perfunctory information was, of course, supplied to the latter sources of business firms, but nothing in the way of a schedule of assets and liabilities was ever prepared. In a rough way, Mr. Strong was estimated by the agencies to be worth from $800,000 to $1,000,000, and the amount of capital actually employed in business, according to the most recent report, was said to be $500,000.

Following the appointment of a receiver for the firm of W. L. Strong & Co. in this city Tuesday, an application was made for a receiver for the firm of C. H. and F. H. Stott, of Stottsville, yesterday, in a special term of the Supreme Court at Catskill. It was based on the fact that F. L. Stott is a surviving partner in both the firm of Strong & Co. and C. H. & F. H. Stott, and as the accounts between the two firms have not been adjusted formally, it was deemed proper that he should not participate in the adjustment, and that an entirely impartial person should be designated by the court for that purpose. Justice Herrick appointed Smith Thompson, of Hudson, president of the Farmers' National Bank, receiver. He placed the bond of Mr. Thompson at $200,000.

Philadelphia Creditors.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 14.—William L. Strong & Co., wholesale dry goods merchants, for whom a receiver was appointed in New York yesterday, has a branch house in this city, at which a large business is transacted. Attorneys have secured 14 attachments against the firm in the Common Pleas Court here, for the following creditors:

Jane T. Griswold, with bail fixed at $92,000, and summoning Hood, Foulkrod & Co., George F. Fort & Co., Strowbridge & Clothier, John Wanamaker, Folwell Bros. & Co., Miller, Bain, Beyer & Co., the Griswold Worsted Company, and John G. Vogel as garnishees. Frank T. Griswold against the same defendants, with bail fixed at $70,000, and summoning the same firms as garnishees; Elizabeth T. Griswold against the same, with bail fixed at $162,100, and the same garnishees.

The summoning of the firms named as garnishees in the claims filed by the Griswolds is intended by the attorneys for the plaintiffs to secure possession of any goods or moneys belonging to William L. Strong & Co. that may have been in their keeping at the time of the appointment of a receiver.

One of the attorneys for the Griswolds said:

"It is one of the largest failures that has occurred in the last few years, and the liabilities will easily amount to $6,000,000."

GRANT BROTHERS' FAILURE.

Assignee Knows Nothing of Firm's Condition as Yet.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—E. G. Stedman, assignee of the firm of Grant Bros., stock brokers, gave out the following statement today:

"The amount of assets and liabilities of the firm cannot be stated until I have had an opportunity to examine into its affairs, and the schedules and inventory have been prepared, nor can I state the cause of assignment beyond the fact that the firm was indebted to an amount greater than it had the means to pay, and that the reason therefor appears to be the recent discovery that its resources had been depleted in some way, the particulars of which may be definitely known only through examination of the firm's books."

THE COLOMBIAN WAR.

A Decisive Engagement May Have Been Fought.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Late advices from Cartagena say a special from Panama, Colombia, indicates that a decisive engagement may have been fought between the revoltionists and government troops in Bolivar Province.

General Rafael Uride, head of the rebels, was still at Corogal on November 7, organizing his forces for an advance on Barranquilla. He had incorporated into his army most of the government troops he captured at Corogal, and is said to have been joined by many recruits from the surrounding country who had been attracted by his success. With captured supplies and transport he was then practically ready for an advance, and it was believed he would soon march on the important coast ports.

General Ospina, with a strong government force, on November 7 was reported as having arrived at Ovejas, a short march from El Carmen, where the first opposition was to be offered to the advance. El Carmen is a strong strategic point. Should Uride defeat Ospina's army, it is believed at Panama the government resistance in the east would be practically overcome, and Baranquilla and Cartagena will again fall into the hands of the rebels.

Treaty With Santo Domingo.

SANTO DOMINGO, Nov. 14, via Haytien cable.—The Dominican Congress will meet in special session November 25 to discuss the reciprocity treaty with the United States.

Leoviglido Cuello has been appointed Minister of Posts and Telegraphs.

The harvesting of the sugar crop will begin early in December. The country is quiet.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The reciprocity agreement between the United States and Santo Domingo was signed in Washington June 22 last by Mr. Kasson for the United States, and by Wos y Gil, the Dominican Charge and Consul-General at New York. It is similar to that negotiated with Jamaica. The treaty, like all of the other reciprocity conventions drawn under the Dingley act, awaits the ratification of the United States Senate, as well as the Dominican Congress, before it can be effective.

The Newfoundland Elections.

ST. JOHNS, N. F., Nov. 14.—Complete returns from Trinity district, in the colonial general election, shows the success of three Liberals by a majority of 691. The result in this district represents the most decided change of sentiment in the whole contest, Trinity having been carried by the Tories by nearly 1400 at the previous election. Burego and St. Barbe Isles, the only remaining districts, are expected to declare in their poll tomorrow, although the stormy weather may detain the receipt of returns. As neither district can appreciably alter the general result, Mr. Bond, the Premier, will begin the reconstruction of the Cabinet next week. Hitherto, the Ministry has been provisional, owing to the fact that Mr. Bond's personal following was in the minority. Now, however, with a personal following of 30, he can strengthen the Cabinet considerably, besides being able to re-elect office-holders in any district.

Owner of the Seized Diamonds.

MEXICO CITY, Mex., Nov. 14.—The widow of the late Peter Gay, the proprietor of several establishments here, is the real owner of the diamonds seized by the United States custom officials in New York City. She gave them into the hands of Senor Presa for sale in the United States, and claims she never meditated fraud against the American customs regulations. The total value of the jewels is said to be not over $8000 gold, and they never belonged to Emperor Maximilian or Empress Carlotta. The seizure has excited much interest here.

A Strike in Mexico.

PUEBLA, Mex., Nov. 14.—Owing to a reduction in wages in the cotton mills, 3000 operatives have struck, and the authorities have taken measures to prevent trouble which is threatened. Some of the cotton mill owners are not sorry to have a reason for closing their mills until they can dispose of their surplus stock. Some mills had already shut down or were running on half time.

Effect of Colombian Earthquake.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Mr. Russell, United States Charge at Caracas, reports that the earthquake in Colombia last month was much more severe than at first discovered. The people deserted their houses and slept in the streets, and between 12,000 and 15,000 buildings were destroyed or damaged.

WILL FACE THE MUSIC.

Absconding Quartermaster-General of Michigan Returns.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Nov. 14.—William L. White, the absconding Quartermaster-General of the Michigan National Guard, who disappeared about a year ago when the notorious military scandals in which he was the chief figure were given publicity, returned to the city tonight on the late train from Chicago, accompanied by a brother and sister who went there to meet him.

It is understood that his relatives have made full reparation for his defalcation, and that he will plead guilty and throw himself upon the mercy of the court. He will probably be formally arrested tomorrow, but preparations for his bond were made by his friends before his coming, some of the most prominent business men of the city signing as security. Since his disappearance he has been in South Africa and England. He reached America via San Francisco, but it is not known from what port he embarked for this country.

Acting Director of Cuban Posts.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The Postmaster-General has designated Postoffice Inspector John R. Harris, now Postmaster at Havana, as acting Director-General of Posts in Cuba, pending the absence of Director-General Fosnes, who is convalescing in New York from yellow fever and pneumonia. Mr. Harris is from the St. Louis division.

A Cuban Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—Senator Platt, of Connecticut, chairman of the committee on relations with Cuba, has called a meeting of that committee for next Friday, under the resolution of the last session of Congress authorizing an investigation of the affairs in Cuba, in connection with the developments in the Neely case.

Dewey Calls on Richard.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14. — Admiral Dewey today called on Admiral Richard, commanding the French Atlantic squadron, at the French Embassy, returning a similar courtesy paid him by the French Admiral Monday morning.

CZAR HAS TYPHOID

Serious Illness of the Emperor of Russia.

IT BEGAN WITH INFLUENZA

Later Symptoms of Fever Developed—A Statement by the Court Physician.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 14.—The attack of influenza from which the Czar has been suffering has now developed into symptoms of typhoid fever. The indisposition of His Majesty was first announced November 3, and presented the usual symptoms until yesterday, when his illness assumed the character of typhoid.

Baron de Friederich, the master of the imperial household, has issued the following bulletin:

"His Majesty passed a good night. His general condition is satisfactory. Temperature, 101.6; pulse, 92. His head is clear, and the strength of the patient is quite satisfactory. The diagnosis shows typhoid, which, for the present, is pursuing a thoroughly satisfactory course.

"BODY SURGEON HIRSCH,
"DR. TICHONOFF.
"BARON DE FRIEDERICH."

THE SICK CZAR OF RUSSIA.

EMPEROR NICHOLAS II.

Dowager's Reassuring Telegram.

LONDON, Nov. 15.—The Dowager Czarina, according to a dispatch to the Daily News from Copenhagen, has received a telegram saying that the Czar's illness is "not particularly serious."

Czarovitch Hurries Home.

FREIDENBORG, Denmark, Nov. 14.—The Czarovitch, Grand Duke Michael, purposes to return to Russia immediately.

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

Three New Canons to Be Considered by Episcopal Conference.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—When the general conference of the Protestant Episcopal Church will meet in San Francisco next October, three new canons on the subject of marriage and divorce will be placed before the body for its consideration.

The first canon is entitled "Holy Matrimony and Impediments Thereto." The full text of this canon is as follows:

"Section 1. Holy matrimony defined: (a) Holy matrimony is an estate of life which, for the purposes of this canon is sufficiently defined in the form appointed for the solemnization of matrimony in this church; (b) the solemnization of holy matrimony is a service where the mutual consent of the parties is given in the presence of a minister, who then pronounces them in the name of the Holy Trinity to be man and wife.

"Sec. 2. Impediments to matrimony defined: This section defines the impediment of consanguinity and affinity as stated in the books of Leviticus and Deuteronomy.

The second canon drafted deals with the subject of the "solemnization of holy matrimony." It is subdivided in four sections as follows:

"Section 1. It shall be the duty of all ministers of this church to conform to the civil authorities relating to marriage.

"Sec. 2. Every minister who shall solemnize a marriage shall, without delay, make such record of same as may be required by the law of this church and civil authority.

"Sec. 3. No minister shall solemnize marriage without the presence of witnesses, nor without witnesses to whom the parties are personally known, except in a case in which it is impossible for such witnesses to be secured. No minister shall solemnize the marriage of any person not identified to his satisfaction.

"Sec. 4. No minister shall solemnize marriage between any two persons unless or until by inquiry he shall have satisfied himself that neither person has been or is the husband or the wife of any other person living, unless the former marriage was annulled by decree of some court of competent jurisdiction for cause existing before such former marriage."

While the above canons erect no barriers as a safeguard against illegal marriages and prohibit marriages by an Episcopal minister of any party to a divorce suit, whether guilty or innocent, the third canon goes one step further and excludes from all means of grace within the dispensation of the church any divorced person who shall have remarried and be living with husband or wife as the case may be while the other party to the divorce still is in life. This canon which, however, applies only to the offending party of a divorce, practically tends to outlaw the offender as far as church fellowship goes and provides for his readoption into the fold only on the condition that he come truly penitent and safe from the party to the second marriage or if he should happen to be in immediate danger of death and show the spirit of true repentance. This canon is subdivided in three sections as follows:

"Section 1. No person divorced for causes arising after marriage and marrying again during the lifetime of the other party to the divorce shall be admitted to baptism or confirmation or received to high communion except when penitent and separated from the other party to the subsequent marriage or when penitent and in immediate danger of death, but this canon shall not apply to the innocent party in a divorce for the cause of adultery.

"Sec. 2. No person shall be denied baptism or confirmation or the holy communion under this canon until after the minister shall have given to the person due and sufficient notice of such intended denial and of the right of appeal therefrom as hereinafter permitted.

"Sec. 3. This section provides for appeal to the bishop of diocese or missionary district, who, if he deems the cause sufficient may take council with two neighboring bishops and decide whether there shall be any disposal."

Canons in this form were unanimously adopted by the committee appointed by the general conference of 1898 after conferring most of the day.

HELPING THE MINERS.

Pittsburg Coal Company's Employes May Become Stock Holders.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 14.—The Pittsburg Coal Company has inaugurated a plan whereby its 20,000 employes are not only to become stockholders in the company but will have an accident and death fund, to be followed later by a system for pensioning all those employed by the company in any capacity. A charter was applied for at Harrisburg today by the Pittsburg Coal Company Employes' Association, which is organized to act for the employes in all the transactions contemplated by the company's prospectus. J. E. McDonald will be general manager of the Association. The object of the Association, as announced in its prospectus, is to encourage and assist any and all of their employes to invest their savings in the preferred stock of the Pittsburg Coal Company, on which they will make regular monthly payments of not less than $1 per share. Dividends earned by the stock thus purchased and interest allowed by the treasurer of the Pittsburg Coal Company will constitute the earning of the association and will be applied to the stock until paid for when each subscriber will receive the number of shares he is entitled to under his subscription.

SNOW IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

Snow Stops Street Traffic in Lead and Deadwood.

DEADWOOD, Nov. 14.—The worst storm of the Winter began this morning with a gentle snow and mist. Reports from surrounding towns and mining camps state that the storm is general. Telephone messages from Belle Fourche state that on the prairies north and west the wind is blowing fiercely, and that the snow is blinding. The thermometer has fallen 30 degrees since morning, and it is growing colder tonight. The storm is severest in the mountains west of the city, where the snow is already two feet deep. All street traffic in Lead and Deadwood is suspended tonight. As yet the storm has not interfered with railroad traffic.

A Montana Millionaire.

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 14.—Henry Elling, a pioneer of Montana and president of six banks in this state, died today at his home in Virginia City, after a brief illness. Mr. Elling came to Montana in 1864 from Denver. He engaged in many enterprises, in all of which he was very successful. He was founder and president of the Union Bank & Trust Company, of this city, and his mining and stockraising interests were extensive. He was born in Prussia in 1842, coming to the United States in 1857. When he came to Montana he was penniless, and he died many times a millionaire.

Clara Barton Returns North.

GALVESTON, Tex., Nov. 14.—Miss Clara Barton left for her home in Washington today, accompanied by her associates in the National Red Cross, who have been assisting her in the Galveston relief work. H. W. Lewis, of the Red Cross staff, will be in charge of the work in Galveston, which will be directed by Miss Barton from Washington.

In Favor of Revision.

DELAWARE, O., Nov. 14.—The Marion Presbytery today voted in favor of the revision of the creed of the Presbyterian church. Only two votes were cast against it.

Philadelphia Paper Suspends.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 14.—The Evening Call made an assignment for the benefit of creditors and ceased publication today.

CENSUS OF ALASKA

Enumeration of the Territory Is Completed.

FIGURES ARE BEING TABULATED

How the Native Population Was Counted—Much Destitution Revealed—Crowds at Nome.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 14.—The Census Bureau recently completed the enumeration of the district of Alaska. The schedules have been received at the office, and are now in process of tabulation. The Director of the Census today gave out the following statement with reference to the work in the territory:

"Samuel G. Dunham, who had charge of the work in the northern district, returned to Washington a few days ago and submitted his final report. He left Washington on this work May 4, 1899.

"The native and mixed population of the northern district of Alaska is 12,683. The most populous district, with respect to the native population, is the country lying between the mouth of the Yukon and the Kuskoquin Rivers, and extending back from the coast 100 miles. Maurice Johnson, the agent for this district, traveled over 2000 miles with a dog team during the Winter, and enumerated 2013 persons, all of whom were Indians. The Indians in this region are probably the most destitute people on the North American continent. Mr. Johnson reports that from December 1 to March 15 he visited 74 interior villages, and during the time saw but three fires burning in the shacks. The poor creatures huddle together in their miserable dwellings during the long Winter, and subsist on frozen fish and a little seal oil, which they secure on the coast during the Summer. The fur-bearing animals, which formerly furnished them with natural clothing, are nearly extinct, and they have been forced to adopt the white man's garb, and, as their poverty prevents them from securing enough to cover their nakedness, there is great suffering from the cold.

"The spiritual condition of those natives is no better than their physical, as the missionaries devote their attention to the more attractive fields in the gold regions and along the river, where their work may be seen.

"The Nome district is the most populous in Northern Alaska. The enumeration showed a permanent white population on June 1 of 6704. During the Summer about 12,000 people landed at Nome, about 2500 of those coming from Dawson. About 12,000 have returned to their homes in the States, leaving about 3000 people in the region contiguous to Nome. It is probable that the population of the town of Nome during he Winter will be between 4000 and 5000."

Population of Ohio and Georgia.

The population of Ohio, as officially announced today, is 4,157,545, against 3,672,316 in 1890. These figures show an increase since 1890 of 485,229, or 12.2 per cent. The population in 1890 was 3,198,062, showing an increase of 476,254, or 14.8 per cent.

The population of Georgia is 2,216,331, as against 1,837,353 in 1890. This is an increase of 378,978, or 20.6 per cent.

SENATOR DAVIS IS BETTER.

His Physicians Have Hope That He May Recover.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nob. 14.—This evening Senator Davis' physician issued the following bulletin:

"Senator Davis had a very comfortable day. Temperature, 99; pulse, 120."

The physicians admit the serious nature of his sickness, but the fact that he had kept up his strength so remarkably makes them hopeful as to the outcome. The trouble with the foot is believed to have been disposed of, and the wound is healing nicely, but the development of kidney trouble causes the chief apprehension. It was first a case of nephritis, and diabetes has also developed, complicating the situation greatly. He passed a restless night until 8 o'clock, after which hour he slept, after eating a hearty breakfast.

The various ratification meetings being held throughout the state are adopting resolutions of sympathy with the Senator in his sickness, and similar action was taken by the Loyal Legion at its November meeting, and by the State Historical Society. These expressions of good will, together with the many telegrams of cheer and sympathy from prominent men all over the world, have done much to hold up the invalid's spirits and thereby help in restoring his health.

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