

REPORT OF BOARD OF VISITORS TO NAVAL OBSERVATORY.

Scientists and Naval Line Officers Have Long Waged a Contest for the Directorship.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—A contest between the scientists of the country on one side and naval line officers on the other, which has been waged for several years past, and involving the rich prize of the control of the Naval Observatory, has been brought to a critical point by the presentation to Secretary Long of the report of the board of visitors to the observatory, in which the issue is drawn sharply in favor of civil control.

It is recommended that no astronomical director be appointed at present, as a dual headship has been found to work unsatisfactorily, and that the directorship be left vacant until the appointment of an astronomer as sole director of the observatory, which the board considers the proper solution of the question, is impracticable.

The responsibilities of the positions of assistant astronomer and professor of mathematics are distinctly different from those of a computer, although much of the required experience may properly be maintained in connection with the latter position, and be credited in the examinations for the higher positions.

As every other prominent observatory is under the direction of an astronomer, it is our judgment that the line limiting the superintendency to a line officer of the navy should be removed, and that the directorship be held by an eminent astronomer, appointed by the Senate, holding this place by a tenure at least as permanent as that of the Superintendent of the Coast Survey, or the head of the Geological Survey, and not merely a detail of two or three years' duration.

Officers of High Rank Will Consider Important Matters.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—The Secretary of War has ordered to be convened in Washington November 15 a very important board of Army officers of high rank for the purpose of considering the matters connected with the Army, particularly regarding the military posts and reservations. The board consists of Lieutenant-General Nelson, Major-General Otis, S. M. B. Young, Arthur MacArthur, Brigadier-General John C. Bates, George M. Randall and William A. Kobbe.

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NEW DYNAMITE GUN ALL RIGHT.

Result of Tests Considered by the Bureau of Ordnance.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—Highly successful tests of a new dynamite gun of destructive powers in excess of any weapon hitherto designed have just been witnessed by a special board of officers of the Bureau of Ordnance of the United States Army at Fisher's Island. The Government has for several years been engaged in the erection on Fisher's Island of fortifications on a colossal scale, intended to make the eastern entrance to the Sound impregnable to naval attack and secure the safety of all the cities along the Sound from New London to New York.

With the full caliber projectile gun proved its ability to hurl 100 pounds of nitro-gelatin, said to be sufficient to annihilate any battleship afloat, a distance of about 3000 yards, with a degree of accuracy not exceeded by other guns, the gun, which was built at Scranton, Pa., was recently installed in a battery at the western end of the island. It is of the same pneumatic type as the guns of the battleships now in position at Sandy Hook and San Francisco, being 40 feet long, with a caliber of 15 inches, but embodies many new features, including rapidity of action and accuracy of fire.

What Germany Aims to Obtain.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—A dispatch from Berlin to the London Times and the New York Times says the North German Gazette, explaining the agreement reached with Great Britain in regard to the claims for compensation arising out of the South African War, states that Germany aims to obtain all the concessions which she herself has demanded, and is prepared to grant to the subjects of neutral powers.

GERMAN PAPERS DISAPPOINTED.

Their Comment on the Speech of Lord Salisbury.

BERLIN, Nov. 11.—The German papers, in discussing the speech of Lord Salisbury at the Guild Hall banquet in London, express disappointment at the speech, which "contains no word of conciliation for the Boers, and no prospect of peace."

As Viewed by London Papers.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—The London correspondent of the Tribune says that most of the London papers endeavor to explain the German position in the war with France, the Cologne Volks Zeitung excuses the demonstration by pointing out that no German Government organ has printed a semi-official report of the speech, and that in the absence of such reputation public opinion must find expression in other ways.

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TO DECIDE BOERS' APPEAL.

ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL OF THE HAGUE COURT WILL MEET.

Appeal From the Decision That the War is Not a Question for Arbitration to Come Up.

THE HAGUE, Nov. 11.—The administrative council of the Arbitration Bureau will meet November 16 to decide an appeal of the Boers against the ruling that the war in South Africa is not subject to the court's arbitration.

Work of Compensation Commission.

LONDON, Nov. 11.—The South African Compensation Commission today heard counsel in behalf of the French claimant, Martin, now of New York, who demanded £30,000. The chairman remarked that it was not clearly established that the claimant was not within the scope of the commission. General Sir John Argh, the representative of the British military authorities, and that, therefore, his claim was not within the scope of the commission.

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BRIDGE CHANGE IN QUESTION.

United States Supreme Court Sends It Back to State for Hearing.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—A decision was rendered by the United States Supreme Court today in the case of the Missouri, Texas & Kansas Railroad Company vs. the Board of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners of Missouri. The court held that the Missouri law fixing the rate for carrying passengers in Missouri is not unconstitutional.

MISSISSIPPI IS HOPEFUL.

Forgotten in Her Anxiety for Her Companion.

SOFA, Nov. 11.—From another letter that has been received from Miss Ellen M. Stone, the abducted American missionary, it appears that she is enduring the trials of her hard captivity with fortitude, forgetting herself in her anxiety for her companion, Miss Talika. Miss Stone does not dare to complain of the treatment to which they are subjected, but she finds the confinement, the darkness, and the weather extremely trying.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—The Paris correspondent of the London Times and the New York Times says the "Parliamentary group of Liberal action" has issued an appeal to all Frenchmen desiring the country's internal and external greatness; all wishing to live under a system of liberty without license, and of social progress without violence; all desiring that the flag be respected; that the national economy practiced in the national finances; all desiring liberty of conscience, education and association.

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ATTACKED BY FILIPINOS.

INSURGENTS TRIED TO REPEAT THE SAMAR TACTICS.

Americans, Who Were Breakfasting, Were Fully Armed and Completely Routed Them.

MANILA, Nov. 11.—Major William L. Pletcher, commanding the 8th Regiment of Infantry, commanding the Mindoro expedition, reports that the garrison of Abra de Ilog was attacked yesterday by a force of insurgents, commanded by Leno Yon. The garrison, apparently unprepared to repeat the Samar tactics, but the Americans, who were breakfasting, fully armed, completely routed the insurgents, who left five men dead on the field, each having a head and arm amputation. One American was seriously wounded.

Situation in Samar.

CATBALOGAN, Island of Samar, Nov. 11.—The insurgents are flocking northward. They are suffering greatly from famine. Many isolated bolomen have surrendered. Only fear caused by Lukanan and those who surrender, prevents a general submission of the insurgents, but it is expected that this will be secured in a few days.

To Regulate Chinese Immigration.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 11.—Secretary Root has approved certain suggestions made by Governor Taft for the better regulation of the immigration of Chinese into the Philippine Islands. The main object of the modifications suggested is the better enforcement of the immigration laws of the United States as applied to the Philippine Islands.

BECKHAM TO DURBIN.

Governor of Kentucky Severely Arraigns Executive of Indiana.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 11.—Governor Beckham tonight addressed to Governor Durbin, of Indiana, a letter replying to the criticisms by that Governor of the courts and officials of Kentucky in his recent letter refusing to honor the requisition for Taylor and Finley, wanted for all charges connected with the assassination of Governor Shelby. He severely arraigns Governor Durbin for his refusal, charging that in doing so he violated his oath of office to support the Constitution of the United States, and that he became a party after the fact to that most infamous crime in the history of this state, the cold-blooded and dastardly murder of an eminent and distinguished citizen of Kentucky.

ALABAMA RATIFIES.

New Constitution Will Have a Majority of 27,000.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 11.—Returns from 40 counties in Alabama indicate that the new constitution will be ratified by 27,000 majority. Jefferson County and the City of Birmingham gave a very heavy vote for ratification. The Governor of the opposition to the new constitution alleges that frauds were committed in Birmingham and throughout the state.

WOMAN'S WEIGH.

Does not always keep pace with woman's will. There are energetic, home-loving women who by sheer force of will keep themselves going, and fancy that strength of will can take the place of strength of body. But it can't. Every day will see a loss of strength, and that loss will be indicated by a loss of weight. When the weight begins to fall below the normal it is time to ask why? In general, ill health in women may be traced to those womanly diseases which sap the strength and undermine the vitality. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription cures enfeebling drains, heals inflammation and cures female weakness. Where the disease is marked by loss of flesh, there is a steady regaining of weight coincident with the cure which proves the renewal of health to be thorough and permanent.

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ARE NOT YET AGREED.

Hitch in Settlement of Harriman-Hill Trouble.

NEW YORK, Nov. 11.—The Mail and Express says: "The delay in the announcement of the terms of the Northern Pacific settlement, it was learned today, is due to the inability so far to agree upon the details for the control of the Burlington and the surrender of the Northern Pacific preferred stock owned by the Union Pacific."

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ARE YOUR KIDNEYS DISEASED?

If Any of Your Family Either in This or Past Generations Have Been Troubled With Kidney Disease, Make a Test of Your Urine and Satisfy Yourself.

Miss Clara Arndt, Secretary of the Northshore German Club of Kenosha, Wis., Says She Has Been Permanently Cured by Warner's Safe Cure.

WARNER'S SAFE CURE, to begin with, is purely vegetable, and contains no harmful drugs; is a most valuable and effective tonic, it is a stimulant to digestion, and awakens the torpid liver, putting the patient into the very best receptive state for the work of the restorer of the kidneys. It goes right at its work, and does it with absolute method, preparing the tissues, soothing where soothing is needed, stimulating the enfeebled organs and healing at the same time. It builds up the body, gives it strength, and restores the energy that is or has been wasting under the baneful suffering of kidney disease.

You begin with no symptoms more definable than by the term lassitude. You are languid, low spirited, weak and flabby, and a constantly drubbing ache in the small of your back. Then come chills, aching and pains when you urinate and a frequent desire to urinate. Your appetite is nearly gone and your digestion is not good.

Thousands of letters are received from grateful patients, who like Miss Arndt, have been permanently cured by WARNER'S SAFE CURE of a complication of diseases which originated in the kidneys.

As evidence of their complete confidence in WARNER'S SAFE CURE, they have written to the publishers, Warner's Safe Cure Company, Rochester, N. Y., and sent them a testimonial, together with a medical booklet containing many convincing testimonials of wonderful cures. This is looked upon as a plain business proposition by the WARNER SAFE CURE COMPANY, because they know that WARNER'S SAFE CURE never fails to cure, and that the sufferer with kidney disease who uses a trial bottle will realize that its effect is beneficial, and will continue to use it until a cure is effected.

By far the most frequent cause of nervous disorders of the male is a Damaged Prostate Gland. The Prostate Gland (so-called neck of bladder) is a structure very rich in nerves. When the terminations of these nerves are kept in a constant state of excitement, by chronic inflammatory processes, it is a sure sign that the prostate gland is diseased.

Webfoot Hard Wheat Flour is milled in the most approved manner. Does not always keep pace with woman's will. There are energetic, home-loving women who by sheer force of will keep themselves going, and fancy that strength of will can take the place of strength of body. But it can't. Every day will see a loss of strength, and that loss will be indicated by a loss of weight.

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Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cleanse the bowels and stimulate the sluggish liver.