

WHOLE CITY A TOMB

Nearly 5000 Killed by Andijian Earthquake.

WELLS HAVE BEEN DRAINED

Soldiers Dig Up Bodies by the Hundred, While Shocks Continue—State Treasury Is Barred in Ruins—Relief Measures.

ASHKABAD, Russian Turkistan, Dec. 23.—Even the worst of the earlier reports of the recent earthquake disaster at Andijian quite underestimate the appalling loss of life. A telegram today from the scene of the catastrophe put the number of victims in the native quarter of the town at 4000. Already 800 corpses have been disinterred from the ruins. The work of excavation progresses slowly. The state treasury, containing 5,000,000 rubles, is in the ruins, and excavations to get the money are carried on under the supervision of a strong cordon of police. The water in the wells has disappeared, and a general subsidence of the site of the town is feared. Large numbers of laborers are being sent to excavate. Sappers have arrived and are expected to make more rapid progress. The shocks continue with increasing violence. The area of seismic disturbance comprises 200 square versts. The Russian population is camping at the railroad station, where 4000 cars are placed at the disposal of the population. The local government officials are quartered in cars. Sheds for the destitute are being built as rapidly as possible. Free soup kitchens have been started and officials are aiding the departure of the inhabitants by distributing food, money and free railroad tickets. At St. Petersburg it was estimated that nearly 5000 have been killed by the earthquake at Andijian. The engineer officers at Andijian, who are superintending the excavations being made with the view of recovering the buried treasure at the scene of the army department, state treasury, postoffice, etc., and the erection of sheds to shelter the officials and other homeless people, report that although the work is progressing as rapidly as possible, a month must elapse before the officers will be housed. The railroads are aiding in the work by all possible means, furnishing free transportation for provisions and material and conveying the inhabitants free of charge to towns in the government of Ferghana. The cash remittance in aid of the destitute people have thus far been very small.

COUNTESS' JEWELRY STOLEN.

Lady Carnarvon's Baggage Riddled on Way Home From Paris.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Another big jewelry robbery on trains between Paris and London has upset society, cables the Herald's London correspondent. The Countess of Carnarvon was robbed of about \$25,000 worth of her jewelry while on the way from Paris to London on Sunday. So far no trace of the thieves has been found. Lord and Lady Carnarvon left the Hotel Ritz on Sunday morning and proceeded to the Gare du Nord. The lady's jewels were in a small green tray packed in a dress basket, which was strapped and locked. With her other luggage it was duly registered and handed over to the railway authorities. The train and Countess arrived at Victoria Station about 7 o'clock in the evening and thence drove to their town house.

It was noticed after the baggage had been taken into the train that the basket was unlocked. It was at once opened and the jewelry sought for, but the thief or thieves had cleaned it out, carefully replacing the tray and closing the dressing case. Although the Countess is said to all this she does not seem to have taken the trouble to rummage further into the basket, for some other jewels which had been packed at the bottom were undisturbed.

The articles stolen consisted of 12 rings, eight gold bangles, 10 brooches, two ladies' watches, several chains and other trinkets. They were valued with diamonds and other precious stones.

PUNISHED FOR WRONG ADVICE.

Russian Official Who Recommends Freedom Sent to Siberia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 23.—The report presented by Dr. Martynov to the agricultural inquiry commission of Voronezh, which resulted in a further confinement and his eventual banishment to the Province of Archangel, has been circulated here. In this report, which was adopted by the Voronezh commission, it is pointed out that the Zemstvo, which have statistical bureaus for the collection of information and a fairly complete organization are better qualified to explain the causes of and suggest remedies for the agricultural depression than the special commissions which lack these advantages. The report says in conclusion: "Finally the members of these commissions have not yet received the special guarantees of personal inviolability which are requisite to a free and untrammelled discussion of political questions. In such circumstances the work of the Voronezh commission has not been successful. We must therefore inform the government that in our opinion it is urgently necessary to hand over the inquiry into the agricultural depression and the discussion of those political and economic questions that are indissolubly bound up with this inquiry to a legally constituted body representing the whole population of the whole empire. Moreover the elected delegates to this body must be guaranteed freedom of speech and personal inviolability."

BERNHARDT IN NEW ROLE.

She Produces Play Depleting Hero.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The actress Bernhardt, playing at her own theater, tonight added a fresh branch to her many laurels by the creation of a title role in "Theophile de Maricourt," a new play by Paul Hervu, which deals with the career of a new fortune teller, who, beginning as a courtier, became a prominent personage during the reign of terror and ended in a lunatic's cell.

The drama presents the outline of her own life, but the author has exercised the dramatist's license to render her more sympathetic and interesting. The action shifts from Vienna to a number of stirring scenes of the revolution decimated with much realism. The play ends in the asylum, where the mad woman evokes the phantoms of the celebrities whose heads she saw fall under the guillotine. It places many historical personages upon the stage, the distribution comprising 60 roles.

GREETED BY CARDINALS.

Pope Leo Holds Christmas Reception With Much Pomp.

ROME, Dec. 23.—There was a picturesque scene in the pope's private library at noon today, when all the cardinals living in Rome gathered there to present the pontiff with Christmas greetings. All the visitors wore their gor-

geous red robes. With the exception of Cardinal San Stefano and Cardinal Parocchi, all the assembled prelates, many of whom were very old, appeared exceptionally well animated and full of plans for the future.

Cardinal Santo Stefano, as doyen of the sacred college, read the congratulatory address. The pope spoke at some length in reply, and expressed keen sorrow at the fact that his jubilee year was embittered by painful events, referring evidently to the divorce bill. The pontiff in this connection remarked:

"What they want is the fall of Christian order and the reconstruction of the states on the basis of paganism."

The pope pleaded for a spread of Christian democracy "on the lines preached by the church to oppose the evil, egotistic, socialistic democracy which acknowledges no God."

After receiving the apostolic benediction, the cardinals withdrew.

CIVIL WAR IN MOROCCO.

Pretexter Wins Battle, but Is Afterwards Driven to Mountains.

TANGIER, Morocco, Dec. 23.—The imperial troops have been totally defeated in a sanguinary battle with the rebels headed by the pretexter to the throne. The

outrage is supposed to have been perpetrated by an anarchist. The damage, it became known later, was caused by the explosion of a bomb filled with scrap iron. The explosion was very violent, and, except for the clumsy manner in which the bomb was placed, the damage to the cathedral undoubtedly would have been serious. Windows of neighboring houses were shattered, and an inmate of an adjacent house was thrown out of his bed.

CONFLICT IN COREA.

Russia and Japan Quarrel About Appointment of Minister.

BERLIN, Dec. 23.—A dispatch from Seoul, dated December 20, says that when the Korean Cabinet was reconstructed, Yi was appointed Minister of the Treasury, in compliance with the wish of Russia, but upon Japan protesting against the appointment, Yi boarded a Russian gunboat and has determined to remain on board pending a clearing of the situation.

Greetings From Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 10.—The enduring nature of some of the friendships formed at the World's Fair held in Chicago has been illustrated by the sending of a joint Christmas greeting by four

FARM PRODUCERS UNITE

NATIONAL SOCIETY OF EQUITY TO BE INCORPORATED.

Objects Are Promotion of Co-operation Among Farmers, and the Obtaining of Profitable Prices.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 23.—The National Society of Equity of North America will be incorporated tomorrow. It has been incorporated after months of correspondence between all parts of the country. The objects as stated are:

First—To promote and encourage organization and co-operation among farmers, stockmen, horticulturists, gardeners and market gardeners by the establishment of a National society, with such branches and local societies as may be necessary to carry out such objects.

Second—To obtain profitable prices for all products of farm and garden and orchard.

Third—To encourage the building and maintenance of elevators, cold storage houses and warehouses in the principal market cities, or all the localities where necessary, so that farm produce may be held for advantageous prices.

Fourth—To encourage prohibition of the adulteration of food and the marketing of the same.

Fifth—To secure legislation in the interest of agriculture, horticulture, stock-raising, etc.

Sixth—To secure stable rates of transportation.

Seventh—To open up new markets and enlarge old ones.

Eighth—To secure new seeds, grain, fruit, vegetables, etc., from foreign countries and disseminate the same, with a view to improving crops and giving a greater variety.

Ninth—To report crops and conditions and market reports in this and foreign countries, so that farmers may operate intelligently in planting and marketing.

Tenth—To encourage the establishment of institutions of learning, so that farmers and their sons and daughters may be educated in scientific and intensive farming, and for the general advancement of agriculture.

Eleventh—To encourage the improvement of highways.

Twelfth—To encourage the irrigation of land.

Thirteenth—To promote social intercourse.

Fourteenth—To encourage the settlement of disputes without recourse to law.

Fifteenth—To establish similar societies in foreign countries.

The officers are: President, J. A. Everett, Indianapolis; vice-president, S. R. Williams, Fort Worth, Tex.; secretary, A. D. McKimsey, Indianapolis; treasurer, Hiram Miller, Indianapolis; organizer, Sid Conger, Shelbyville, Ind.

President Everett said tonight: "We expect to organize the millions engaged in agriculture. Knowing the amount of produce produced and the consumption from past experience, an equitable minimum price will be fixed by the directors of the National body and report afterward to all parts of the country. Once fixed the price will rule on that crop for the year."

BIRDS OF PREY.

W. Hampton Smith Has More to Say About the Venezuelan Matter.

PORTLAND, Dec. 23.—(To the Editor.)—Will you kindly let me into your columns once more? The greatness of the subject and its bearing on the well-being of the people is my only excuse for intruding on your space.

From my standpoint the people are and have been sleeping over a subject of the most vital importance to National perpetuity and individual liberty. The practice, the doctrine of international law, as applied to Venezuela at the present time in the collection of claims, is simply monstrous.

It is in violation of every principle of equity and enlightened decency. Who is it that has made this international law for the collection of debts? Have all the nations of the earth shared in this? Has Venezuela been consulted? Has China? Has Japan? Have any of the smaller and weaker nations been consulted? They have had little or nothing to say in making it. It is the product of some wealthy nation having plenty of people, great armies, big guns, heavy warships, with a total disregard for the golden rule. It is a rule that applies to the weaker and never to the stronger nation.

It works well, though, with the weak and defenseless nations. It is the output of the bully and its workings are rapidly eliminating the small nations from the face of the earth. There are two great bullying countries like Germany and England can bring their war fixtures and take possession of little Venezuela's harbors, blockade her coast, seize her little ships and shut them out and destroy others, and call it a "peaceful blockade" to collect a debt in harmony with international law. It is some of the most monstrous things that can be conceived. Imagine England and Germany sending their fleets over to the United States to collect a debt and for this purpose attempt to blockade our harbors, seize our ships and shut them out.

Another of Humbert Gang Caught. BIENOS AYRES, Dec. 23.—Mme. Razona, said to be the mistress of Romaine d'Aurignac, who was arrested with other members of the Humbert family in Madrid last Saturday, was taken in custody upon her arrival here from France. A quantity of baggage was seized.

Not Too Old to Marry.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The octogenarian Marquis of Donagel was quietly married here today to Miss Violet Twining, a Canadian, about 30 years of age. Lord Strathcona gave the bride away.

Mrs. George Henry Lewis Dead.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The death is announced of Mrs. Lewis, widow of George Henry Lewis, who in 1854 formed a union with George Eliot (Mary Anne Evans).

DEATH OF ARCHBISHOP.

End Came Peacefully to Aged Prelate—His Funeral on Saturday.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Most Rev. Frederick Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury and primate of all England, who has been ill for some time past, is dead. The archbishop passed away quite peacefully at 8:15 o'clock, in the presence of his wife and two sons. His death had been anticipated for some days, and only the archbishop's remarkable vitality enabled him to counteract his extreme weakness. The final collapse occurred about 5 o'clock, and he was unconscious toward the end.

The primate died of old age. The scene in Westminster Abbey, at the coronation of King Edward, was one of the earlier indications of his falling strength. There came the collapse in the House of Lords at the conclusion of a vigorous speech in support of the education bill. He had not left his bed since. He will be buried at Canterbury. The Bishop of Winchester is considered likely to be his successor.

The funeral of the archbishop will take place Saturday at noon, in the Canterbury Cathedral.

Mr. White, the United States Charge d'Affaires, was among the callers at the Archbishop's Palace today.

Twenty-eight Persons Reported to Have Perished With Her.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Dec. 23.—General Nord, the newly-elected President of the Haytian republic, took the oath to support the constitution today. Tranquillity reigns throughout the republic.

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MUSICAL CONCERT THIS AFTERNOON AND EVENING

survival of the fittest is doing its work among them. These aliens knew it. They were not forced to go. They suffered. Then came these European nations in which the survival of the fittest has not altogether ceased, and who have made international law for their special benefit and assess the "damages" to be further payments from the "peaceful blockade," in which they destroy a portion of her navy, invade her territory and bombard her forts. That is not all. Venezuela has "suffered" back when asked to pay the bill. She has insulted their Majesties' dignities, and that for a moment cannot be endured from a little pauper nation, and she must be punished, disciplined, and the shame of this so-called international law that appears, is consenting unto her death, is holding the clothes of those who ignore her. My observation is that when a claim for debt is foreclosed in this manner, would and did demand redress from the creditor generally takes possession of the debtor's property and holds it; and so with them. All the great and little nations of Europe have claims against Venezuela. The great nations and buzzards crowd the trees waiting to pick her carcass, which when the Monroe Doctrine. In keeping this so-called international law that follows the citizens of any country in their ventures within other lands, two of the finest little republics of South America have just been wiped from the list of nations through bloodshed and carnage. A beautiful free land has been made desolate, laid waste, and the spirits of a brave people have been broken.

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC.

Exaggerated but Suggestive Review of its Great Political Power.

Salt Lake Telegram. Now that Congress has begun work again, it will probably not be long before we shall be in the midst of tariff discussions of one kind or another. The Telegram wishes to call the attention of its Pacific Coast and northern border communities to a phase of the tariff that most vitally concerns us.

At the Republican National Convention in Chicago in 1888 Colonel Elliott H. Shepherd, Cornelius Vanderbilt's son-in-law, owner of the New York Mail and Express, a man who through his father-in-law had intimate knowledge of the unseen forces which actuate and dominate over National politics and policies, said to the writer hereof: "The controlling influence in this convention, the dominating power which will edit the platform and dictate the nomination is little suspected by the general public, or by a majority of the delegates themselves. If they were told, they would find it hard to believe it. That power is the Canadian Pacific Railway. No man can be nominated here who is not acceptable to that railway. No platform can be adopted here till after it has been revised by that railway. Its representatives are in the committee-rooms and on the convention floor. I have seen them there and in the hotel. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company is the supreme dictator in our politics."

It may be that Colonel Shepherd in this utterance spoke too unqualifiedly, but some things in recent history indicate a marked partiality by the legislative and executive departments of the United States toward that railway. The writer for very many years, in successive tariff bills, the United States has imposed an additional and discriminating duty of 10 per cent upon goods imported in foreign vessels, except those of nations which are accepted by treaty or by law of Congress.

When the present tariff was pending in Congress, a little group of perfect strangers, led by a Representative from Minnesota or one of the Dakotas, worked through an amendment to the effect that this additional and discriminating duty shall be paid also on goods "which being the production or manufacture of any foreign country not contiguous to the United States shall come into the United States from such contiguous country."

This, of course, was intended to divert our Asiatic imports from the Canadian port of Vancouver to our own Pacific ports, and to knock out Canadian Pacific Railway dividends by giving the "long haul" of these Asiatic imports across the continent to our own railways.

The foreign contingent in both houses of Congress, those members whose voice and vote can always be counted upon in favor of foreign interests whenever conflicting with the interests of the people of

the United States, bestirred itself to introduce into the tariff bill a provision which should suspend the action of the foregoing amendment. But somehow, in the haste and confusion attending upon the final perfecting and enacting of the bill, the amendment got in; and by some oversight of the foreign contingent, the suspending and nullifying provision was left out.

Vancouver thus was deprived of its United States commerce in transit, and the Canadian Pacific Railway was deprived of its "long haul" of our imports. Fancy the consternation in the offices of the Canadian Representatives and Senators were taken to task for their carelessness and neglect. But the blunder had to be remedied somehow. Vancouver and the Canadian Pacific Railway must not lose that very large and profitable business. President McKinley referred the 10 per cent clause in the tariff act to his Attorney-General, McKenna, of California, for interpretation. Attorney-General McKenna promptly discovered that when the Congress of the United States decrees that imports into the United States by way of contiguous countries shall pay an additional 10 per cent, it means thereby to decrease that such imports shall not pay an additional 10 per cent. So Vancouver keeps its United States transit trade and the Canadian Pacific Railway keeps its long haul.

Now, New York is complaining that in one week last Summer over a million bushels of grain went abroad via Canadian routes and ports, while less than 750,000 bushels went abroad from all the Atlantic ports of the United States. "That is to say," says the New York Tribune, "Canada, only one-fourteenth the size of the United States and selling only one-fifth as much grain, is shipping about 25 per cent more than our Atlantic ports. The explanation is, of course, that it is our grain she is shipping."

It all seems to illustrate Colonel Shepherd's statement as to the unseen and unsuspected forces that operate in our affairs and rule them against our interests and desires.

DEATH OF GREAT DESIGNER

He Was the Best-Veiled Man in American on Heridry.

New York Press. James Horatio Potter, who died in Brooklyn on Saturday, was perhaps the best-veiled man in America in the mysteries of heridry. He had been employed by Tiffany & Co. since 1857—45 years—and was a recognized authority on art subjects. He was born in Handsworth, Staffordshire, England, in 1833, and came to this country when he was 24 years old. Mr. Potter designed many of the noteworthy silver presentation pieces and other art objects made by Tiffany & Co. within the last two-score years, among the most celebrated of which were the famous Bryant vase, presented to the post on his 80th birthday in 1913, which is now on exhibition in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and the silver chalice presented to Bishop Horatio Potter in 1913 at the 55th anniversary of his consecration. He was designated and superintended the making of the third seal of the United States, which is now in use by the Government. He also designed numerous United States medals, as well as most of the United States corps badges that were made at the time of the Civil War. Mr. Potter was a member of the American Numismatic and Archaeological Society, St. George's and other societies.

A Memorial to a Good Man's Life. Chicago Inter Ocean. The many friends of William Wallace Fellows, who died at Shelbyville, Ill., November 10, are contemplating a suitable memorial in recognition of his unselfish life and work. Mr. Fellows was a graduate of the Ohio Wesleyan University and Drew Theological Seminary. He was previously educated for the Methodist ministry, but withdrew because of liberal views entertained by him. Friends in St. Louis, Mo., Columbus, Zanewille and London, O., his birthplace, will be consulted regarding the matter. Mr. Fellows was 56 years old at the time of his death and left a widow and several children.