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No Yellow Fever at Santiago.
HAVANA, Sept. 8.—Dr. Gutierrez, of the health department, who went to the Province of Santiago to investigate the rumors of plague there, telegraphs that there is no yellow or black fever or other epidemic at Santiago or Daiquiri. At Daiquiri there are some serious cases of malarial fever.

Druggists' Association in Session.
BOSTON, Sept. 8.—The 29th annual convention of the Wholesale Druggists' Association was opened in this city today, and for the first time in almost a decade the annual meeting of the Proprietary Association was opened simultaneously. The cutting of list prices on proprietary articles will be thoroughly discussed by both associations during the week.

BLOT OUT LIVES

Turks Slay Christians at Beirut.

PANIC IS GENERAL

Porte Blames the American Fleet.

MORE MASSACRES FEARED

Forests Are Fired to Drive the Bulgarians Out.

NUMBER IN HILLS IS 150,000

Admiral Cotton Will Land Marines, If Necessary, to Protect Americans—Life of British Consul Is Threatened.

THE BALKAN SITUATION.

The Balkan situation becomes graver day by day. Turks have murdered Christians at Beirut and the powers are now thoroughly alarmed. Admiral Cotton will land marines at Beirut, if necessary, to protect the lives of Americans. Several of the powers contemplate sending fleets to Turkish waters. The barbarity of the Turks in Macedonia is almost incredible. Their latest move is to fire the forests in which 150,000 Bulgarians have taken refuge. The Porte makes public a warning from the Macedonian Committee that the British Consul, some journalist or an American missionary at Constantinople will be slain. The Sultan, to suppress the news, has ordered the expulsion of correspondents.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—The Navy Department has received the following cablegram from Admiral Cotton, dated Beirut, September 7:

"Violence and bloodshed between Mohammedans and native Christians occurred at Beirut Sunday. Six Greek Christians, two Mohammedans and one Turkish soldier killed; three Greek Christians, three Mohammedans and three Turkish soldiers wounded seriously. Other murders reported. "Flag Lieutenant and United States Consul were present Sunday and Monday in the disturbed quarter and verify details. Turkish government willingly afforded facilities for their investigation and guard; promise 1000 more Turkish soldiers. Turkish soldiers present sufficient if properly disposed of to handle situation at Beirut. Well patrolled, and all quiet Sunday night and today (Monday). Turkish Governor promises to do all in his power to restore order. Business suspended. "I have prepared to land force for protection of property of American citizens if situation demands. Will act with caution. Present trouble due to animosity between inimicable and native Christians and failure to control crimes. "The last portion of Admiral Cotton's cablegram is unintelligible, and the cipher experts at the Navy Department worked all the morning to translate it. Copies of the report were sent at once to the President and to the State Department.

PANIC GENERAL FOR A TIME.

Minister Leshman Reports Origin of Trouble in Doubt.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—The State Department has received a cablegram from Minister Leshman at Constantinople, in which he says a riot occurred Thursday night at Beirut, in which seven Christians were killed and several wounded. Two houses occupied by Christians were pillaged by the soldiers. The panic was general.

An officer and a signal man from Admiral Cotton's fleet are now in the Consulate, and an investigation of conditions at Beirut is being made by a lieutenant, Consul Ravindal and other officers.

Mr. Leshman says the origin of the trouble is not distinctly stated by our Consul. He further says it is asserted by the Sublime Porte that conditions at Beirut are again quiet, and that the force now there is sufficient to guarantee the safety of the city.

Additional instructions have been sent Minister Leshman along the lines of those already forwarded him looking to the protection of American citizens.

Lieutenant Charles L. Hussey is Admiral Cotton's flag lieutenant, and it is presumed he is the officer making the investigation.

TURKISH VERSION OF AFFAIR.

Christians Are Held to Have Been the Aggressors.
CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 8.—An official version of the Beirut affair, telegraphed to the Ottoman Ambassadors abroad for communication to the powers, says that the Christians were the assailants, they having fired upon four Mussulmans. A fight ensued, during which Mussulmans

and Christians came to the assistance of their respective compatriots. This, says the report, compelled the troops to intervene, and they succeeded in restoring order. Three soldiers were wounded and one was killed, while one Christian was killed and one wounded.

These figures are evidently incorrect, as the rioters must have lost more heavily than the military.

The British Consul at Beirut immediately after the riot called upon the Vail and threatened to ask Admiral Cotton to land marines from the American squadron in the event of the renewal of disturbances.

In official circles here the disturbances are attributed to the arrival of the American squadron, and the belief is expressed that the Christians at Beirut are endeavoring to bring about the landing of marines from the warships.

No New Orders for Cotton.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Cablegrams were received at the State and Navy Department today from Minister Leshman at Constantinople and Admiral Cotton, commanding the American squadron now in Turkish waters, respectively, giving an account of the riot which occurred at Beirut Sunday. It was stated at the Navy Department that no new instructions had gone to Admiral Cotton in consequence of today's reports.

Instructions sent to Minister Leshman today contemplate that he keep the State Department constantly informed as to the situation that the Department may know to what extent protection is being afforded American citizens. The President was advised of the facts reported to Washington today.

Renewal of Disturbances Feared.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 8.—A consular dispatch from Beirut, received at one of the Embassies here, states that a fierce brawl occurred there Thursday evening between parties of Mussulmans and Christians. It was due to a shot fired by a Mussulman upon a Christian employed at an American College. The Christian was wounded. The fight broke out while the Vail was on board the United States cruiser Brooklyn, returning Admiral Cotton's visit. No further details have been received. In diplomatic circles here the affair is regarded as being serious, and a renewal of the disturbances is feared.

Number of Killed May Reach Thirty.

BERLIN, Sept. 8.—A dispatch to the Lokal Anzeiger from Constantinople says that 30 Christians, among them being several Europeans, were killed during the rioting at Beirut.

The Foreign Office here has received no news tending to confirm the report published by the Lokal Anzeiger.

FIRE TO DRIVE REFUGEES OUT.

Bulgarians to the Number of 150,000 Are in the Forests.
SOFIA, Sept. 8.—The Macedonian Interior organization estimates that 150,000 women, children and old men are hiding in the mountains and forests of Macedonia. The Turks are burning the forests in the districts of Lerou and Koskova and killing fugitives who attempt to escape to the plains. The Vlach village of Gopesh, three hours distant from Monastir, has been burned by the Turks, who are reported to have thrown several of the inhabitants into the fire.

Thirteen thousand Turkish soldiers are assembled at Planka, Kratovo and Gohchani, and are plundering the surrounding villages. The people have not complained, fearing that they may be murdered. In the district of Debristz, vilayet of Monastir, the soldiers are reported to be naked and starving and to be robbing all around. The general staff of the insurgents has issued a circular ordering the bands not to molest the peaceful Turks and Albanian villagers. The order concludes: "There will be always plenty of time to take such measures."

Famine Prevails at Krushevo.

Famine prevails in the district of Krushevo, and the population is going into the adjacent districts. All reports from the vilayet of Monastir agree in describing the situation as appalling. Between 30,000 and 50,000 Bulgarian inhabitants are believed to have been massacred by the Turks, and every Bulgarian village in the vilayet has been destroyed. The refugees in the mountains and forests are dying of starvation by the thousands. At present it is impossible to obtain precise figures.

The revolutionary headquarters estimate that 30,000 Bulgarian men, women and children have been killed, while at least the same number of refugees are slowly perishing of hunger. In official circles these figures are regarded as an underestimate, and officials incline to the belief

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AGREE TO STRIKE

Seattle Street-Carmen Go Out Today.

UNIONS AT FIRST OPPOSE

Finally Brought to Views of the Strikers.

MAY TIE UP ORGANIZED LABOR

Sympathetic Movement Will Be Urged by the Representatives to Their Unions—Company Says Service Will Not Be Impaired.

SEATTLE, Sept. 8.—At 1 o'clock this (Wednesday) morning the Street Railway Men's Union declared in favor of striking. None of the members of the union will take out cars of the Seattle Electric Company today.

The question was bitterly fought at a meeting which began at 7:30 last night, attended by the advisory board, consisting of representatives of all the other unions of the city. The majority of these representatives opposed the strike, and after long debate the question was passed up to the executive committee of the street-car men. This committee declared for striking.

The representatives of the other unions thereupon agreed to report the action of the street-car men formally to each union, with the recommendation that each of these unions go on strike in sympathy when called upon by the street-car men.

The company anticipates little difficulty in maintaining its service with the support of the new Tradesmen's Union and about 200 nonunion men.

RUNAWAY AT A FUNERAL

Nine People Are Injured by the Overturning of a Carriage.

DENVER, Sept. 8.—Frightened by the flapping of the black trimmings on the horse at a funeral, in Valverde today, the team attached to the next carriage in line ran away, the carriage was overturned and nine persons, four of them children, were injured. Those most seriously injured are:

Mrs. Ora Sedbrook, nose broken and face and head bruised; Mrs. Ellen Sedbrook, badly bruised about body; Mrs. H. T. Sedbrook, scratched and bruised; Alice Sedbrook, aged 9 years, badly bruised; D. W. White, driver, both knees dislocated and one leg fractured.

The infants were so shielded by their mothers, who were holding them, that they escaped with slight bruises.

AGAIN ON NATIVE HEATH

Santos-Dumont Is Given a Very Cordial Welcome by Brazil.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—Santos-Dumont, the aeronaut, has arrived here from France, says a Herald dispatch from Rio Janeiro. He is visiting his native country in order to recover his health. A long procession of carriages containing representatives of state and municipal authorities and all the scientific literary societies was drawn up alongside the quay, and the inventor was escorted through the streets by an immense crowd.

MAY CLASH WITH INDIANS

Prospectors and Settlers Are Rushing to Reservation Too Soon.

DENVER, Sept. 8.—The officers of the Department of Colorado are very anxious regarding the situation in the Utah Indian reservation. Owing to stories of hidden mineral wealth in the reservation, a number of prospectors and settlers have gone there. The Indians resented their

presence, as the reservation is not to be thrown open for a year yet.

The Indian agent applied to General Baldwin for troops, and 40 men under a Lieutenant were ordered from Fort Washakie. The distance is over 200 miles, and there are no railroads. The soldiers are now on the way, and nothing has been heard from them since they started.

HIS FIRST OFFICIAL NOTE

Pope Plus Names Cardinals to Serve on Notable Commission.

ROME, Sept. 8.—It has been announced that Pope Plus will publish today his first encyclical addressed to the Catholic hierarchy and people throughout the world, but this was incorrect. The pontiff published today his first official document, consisting of a letter addressed to Cardinals Fran Nattell, Rampolla, Ferrata and Vivesy Tuto, confirming their appointment by Pope Leo as a commission to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the dogma of the immaculate conception.

The letter, which is very brief, is followed by a prayer to the Virgin Mary, which will acquire importance as being the first to bear the signature of Pope Plus X.

POPE'S SISTERS SEE ROME.

City Is a Disappointment to Them So Far as Beauty Is Concerned.

ROME, Sept. 8.—The three sisters of Pope Plus X, who lived with him in Venice, and who arrived here yesterday, have not found in Rome quite what they expected. Not that they had any formulated desires, but the sisters thought they could not fail to be certain of re-creating their intimate relations with the Pontiff, while to their unaccustomed eyes all is formality.

They shrunk from the curious glances cast at them this morning when they went all over Rome. The sisters, however, could see no beauty in the ruins, having scarcely heard of them. What they liked best were the electric street cars and the new wide streets, so different from the narrow lanes of Venice.

In the convent where the Pope's sisters are stopping they are treated with great respect and attention, having their meals served in their own dining-room and not being allowed to do anything for themselves.

Speaking of the Vatican, one of the sisters said: "How big it is! Beppi should not feel he is a prisoner. But how he can be bothered with all these soldiers and officials we cannot see."

The permanent apartment near the San Angelo bridge will be ready shortly.

NEW WAR ON UNIONS.

Builders Will Employ No Man Who Will Strike in Sympathy.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 8.—The advisory board of the Master Builders' Association today fixed January 1, 1904, as the date on which systematic warfare, by means of lockouts, on sympathetic strikers, will begin. The association represents practically all the builders and subcontractors in the city. Tonight the board sent out a circular letter, which contains the following resolution adopted by the board:

"On and after a time to be fixed at the discretion of the advisory board of Master Builders' Association, no working-man shall be employed on any of our buildings in Philadelphia, unless he is willing to agree not to engage in any systematic strike and to arbitrate any difference that may arise, work to continue meanwhile."

FEAR SURGEON'S KNIFE.

Wife of a Prominent Chicago Man Sends a Bullet Into Her Brain.

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Mrs. Helen Worthington Purinton, wife of Colonel Holman Greene Purinton, prominent in Masonic and National Guard circles, committed suicide last night at her home by shooting herself in the mouth. Despondency over continued ill health, coupled with the dread of a dangerous surgical operation, which her physicians had told her was inevitable, is thought to have been the cause of her act. The weapon with which she took her life, a heavy Army revolver of 20-caliber, was a wedding present given her by her husband's Knight Templar comrades on the eve of her departure for the Philippines with Colonel Purinton three years ago.

Red Men in Convention.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—The annual convention of the order of Red Men opened today in Brooklyn. Delegates from all over the United States, including San Francisco, are present. The United Order of Red Men is a German organization and is not connected with the Improved Order of Red Men.

Refuses Hesters a New Trial.

DANVILLE, Ill., Sept. 8.—Judge Thompson today refused a new trial to the convicted rioter and sentenced them to the Chester Penitentiary, except Bessie Armstrong, who was sent to Joliet. They will be taken to prison tomorrow.

AMERICAN COLLEGE AT HARPOOT THREATENED BY TURKISH FANATICS



The American Board of Foreign Missions is alarmed for the safety of its people at Harpoot. Letters and recent cablegrams describing the attempt to burn the building and indicating that the fanaticism of the inhabitants was almost beyond control have caused an appeal to be made to President Roosevelt to take measures to protect the missionaries.

PROTEST IN VAIN

San Francisco's Trade Monopoly Broken.

PORTLAND WILL PROFIT

Indian School Supplies to Be Bought in Best Market.

ROOSEVELT SETTLES MATTER

He Refuses to Revoke the Orders of Secretary Hitchcock and Commissioner Jones at Request of California.

HOW THE CHANGE CAME ABOUT.

By raising a great hue and cry over the letting of a sugar contract for the Indian service to an Eastern firm, San Francisco has killed the goose that laid the golden egg. Investigation showed that for years it had been receiving unreasonable prices for goods supplied to the service, and Commissioner Jones promptly set about to remedy this state of affairs.

The change means much to Portland in that it will largely supply the Indian schools and agencies of the Northwest—a trade heretofore exclusively going to San Francisco.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—President Roosevelt has declined to interfere with the policy laid down by Secretary Hitchcock and Commissioner Jones hereafter to govern the purchase of supplies for the Indian service, and when ex-Representative Kahn, of California, appealed from the decision of the Secretary, and asked for liberal recognition of San Francisco, he was told to adjust his differences with the Secretary and the Commissioner. In other words, the President refused to authorize the Interior Department to further allow San Francisco merchants a monopoly on the Indian business, or to sanction the payment to them of prices way above what they could be obtained for in Portland and Los Angeles.

The President told Mr. Kahn he had confidence in Secretary Hitchcock as well as in Commissioner Jones, and inasmuch as these officers are determined hereafter to make Indian purchases on the best terms obtainable, he would not interfere. If Portland and Los Angeles underbid San Francisco, the merchants of the latter city must take the consequences.

The President's refusal to take the side of San Francisco is construed as being equivalent to his sanction of the plan recently outlined by Commissioner Jones, under which Portland will largely supply Indian Schools and agencies of the Northwest, while Los Angeles will corral much of the Southwestern trade.

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