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CURRENT EVENTS OF THE DAY

Epitome of the Telegraphic News of the World.

PERSE TICKS FROM THE WIRES

An Interesting Collection of Items From the New and the Old World in a Condensed and Comprehensive Form

Political excitement is intense in Brazil and martial law is in force.

K'oon Sang, a Chinese priest, was killed by highlanders in San Francisco. J. R. Sovereign, the recently retired master workman of the Knight of Labor, has declared his intention to run for president of the United States in 1900.

The blue and gray have met again on common ground. Military triumphs were honored at Orchard Knob, Tenn., Monday, and monuments to their achievements at Chickamauga and Missionary Ridge accepted.

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A. J. Sage, a well-known rancher, living a few miles below Sand Point, Idaho, was shot and instantly killed while out hunting. An acquaintance, named... (text continues)

Rev. Myron W. Reed, pastor of one of Denver's leading churches, during his discourse Sunday created somewhat of a sensation while discussing the killing of the Ute Indians by deputy game wardens in Colorado recently, by declaring that he intended to see that Warden Wilcox and his deputies are tried for murder.

Fifty-two families have arrived in North Yakima, Wash., from Polk county, Minnesota, to make new homes. Many have already selected lands along the Yakima valley canal, west of the city, and others will locate in the vicinity of the Moxie arctician wilds.

The state supreme court of Montana has sustained the constitutionality of the inheritance tax passed by the legislature. The law imposes a tax of 5 per cent on bequests to any beneficiary, not a relative, where the estate amounts to over \$100.

The Wyoming supreme court has decided that foreign-born citizens must be required to read the constitution in the English language in order to vote. One hundred and fifteen Finns, who voted the Republican ticket at the recent election, filed a suit to have the constitution read in English, but their votes were accepted, as they could read it in their own language.

The labor troubles which have been brewing in the coal fields for some time culminated Wednesday with about 100 members of the miners' union went in a body to the Roxie mine and peremptorily drove superintendent Clarke and five men out of the camp for working below the schedule of the contract.

A new industry has started in Owensboro, Ky., with 100 employees. It is to utilize cornstalk cellulose for lining battleships. Materials for making celluloid are among the products. Paper is another product.

The owners of the German ship Potrimpos, stranded at Long Beach, Wash., have bought two 10,000-ton anchors of the United States navy from Vandalia, who was wrecked in San Francisco several years ago, and will ship them from San Francisco at once, for use in floating the Potrimpos next month.

A remonstrance against allowing Chinese to work in the coal mines was introduced into the state for the purpose of mining coal at Wilmington and other towns in place of the striking miners, will be placed before Governor Tanner in the name of the United Mineworkers of Illinois.

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FOUGHT LIKE HEROES.

Gordon Highlanders Great Charge at Dargai Ridge

London, Nov. 17.—The newspapers of this city have received graphic details by mail of the capture of Dargai ridge by the Gordon Highlanders, on October 20, during which the regiment exhibited remarkable dash and courage. On Wednesday, October 20, General Biggs sent the second division and a battalion of tribesmen from the Dargai ridge. The position was a very strong one, the enemy occupying the summit of a precipitous hill. The top of the hill could not be reached except by a single path along which the attacking force, first consisting of a Ghoorka regiment, the Derbyshire regiment, and the Dorsetshire regiment, were obliged to climb in Indian file, while three batteries shelled the breastworks of the hillmen.

Dargai ridge, from the direction of the assault, presents a frontage of about one mile, which was defended by a force of about 300 yards. In spite of the difficulty of the ascent, the movements of the British troops were fairly well covered, except in the case of a low dip, or small valley, from 100 to 150 yards wide about half way from the summit of the Ghoorkas, supported by the Derbyshire and Dorsetshire regiments, this fire zone, the tops of the cliffs burst into flame, for 1,000 tribesmen had reserved their fire until that moment.

The time had arrived for the decisive struggle. The tribesmen had reached the crest of the ridge, where they lay down under cover of the cliffs. But the others could not follow, and the enemy, with true military instinct, reserved their fire. Though the remainder of the Ghoorkas, the Derbyshire and the Dorsetshire regiments, appeared on the fringe of the dip, yet to step into the fire zone was to court death. But the Dorsetshires again tried to advance to the support of the Ghoorkas, and 18 men struggled into the open space, only to drop before the fire which was poured on them.

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Piper Findlates has been recommended for the Victoria cross. Captain Robinson, of the Ghoorkas, also acted with the greatest gallantry. After leading his men across the fire zone to cover, and finding it insufficient, he returned over the death trap alone, and was mortally wounded while leading the second rush of Ghoorkas.

NOT ONE ESCAPED.

Bad Accident to a Russian Wedding Party

St. Petersburg, Nov. 17.—A terrible accident has occurred near Bielok, Russian Poland, resulting in the death of 90 persons. A wedding party was returning from the church to the house of the bride. All were in one wagon, a huge vehicle, drawn by eight horses. The road along which they drove crossed the railway track on the level, and the driver, either through carelessness or ignorance of the train schedule, pushed his swiftly moving horses upon the crossing, just as the express was coming up. The locomotive struck the vehicle squarely, killing many men, while the rest of the party tumbled about as they were hurled into the air.

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THE UNITED STATES MAILS

First Annual Report of Postmaster-General Gary.

THE POSTAL SAVINGS SYSTEM

His Reasons for Supporting the Proposition—The Mode of Operating It in European Countries.

Washington, Nov. 16.—The first annual report of Postmaster-General James A. Gary to the president was made public today. Its feature is the strong advocacy of postal savings depositories, a scheme over which Postmaster-General Gary has worked for several months in the formulation of plans to present to the president and congress. He says the time is ripe for their establishment, and that the addition of a well-organized system would create a great boon upon a large number of people, and ultimately be of incalculable benefit to the whole country.

The increase of the postal deficit of 1897 is largely a reflection of the depressed condition which prevailed all over the United States in the first three quarters of that period. There has been no extravagance of expenditures, save that of the five-mile limit, which has inflicted both upon the postal revenues and the people by second-class mail matter is reiterated and the enactment by congress of some measure to remedy the wrong is recommended, as by past postmaster-generals. The report continues:

"If this was done there would be an end to postal deficits, and the service could be enlarged and popularized by a broad extension of the free delivery without infringing upon the general resources of the government, and would result in a saving to the nation of \$10,000,000 per year."

The experiment of rural free delivery has been generally appreciated. Few expenditures have conferred greater benefits in proportion, and it has unquestionably proved a potent factor in attaining that should be chief aim of government, the granting of the best possible facilities to the farming class.

"The herds of reindeer which will be killed for food, if needed, will be driven overland, and it is confidently expected that the herd will reach Point Barrow in the middle of February."

A valuable discovery. New York, Nov. 17.—William A. Eddy, the kite experimenter of Bayonne, N. J., made an interesting experiment Saturday night. He is satisfied that by means of observations taken at various altitudes, indications of approaching thunder storms and other meteorological data can be secured.

Two Ohio Girls Beaten and Tamed. Holgate, O., Nov. 15.—Word reached this city this evening from Oakwood, a hamlet 25 miles south, of an outrage perpetrated last night by whitecaps upon two girls, Edith and May Roberts, 19 and 17 years of age, respectively. Ten days ago the young ladies received a wireless notice warning them to be ready for the approach of a publication. It is a commercial cyclopedia of the Western hemisphere, intended to furnish information for the benefit of merchants and agriculturists.

Museum Watchman Severely Injured by an Anaconda. Philadelphia, Nov. 16.—A huge anaconda on exhibition here today severely injured Samuel Masher, the museum watchman, and crushed to death a valuable trick pony. The pony was tied to a foot on the anaconda's cage.

ANNEXATION HER HOPE.

Hawaii Anxious to Have the Pending Treaty Adopted.

New York, Nov. 17.—A dispatch to the World from Honolulu, dated October 28, says: Sanford B. Dole, president of the provisional republic of Hawaii, and Chief Justice Judd are anxious to have the Hawaiian annexation treaty adopted as soon as possible. Said President Dole to the correspondent: "The people will never again submit to a monarchy. In fact, there is no one sufficiently enjoying the confidence of the people of the islands to conduct the affairs of state under a monarchy."

Why do they not desire to continue as an independent republic? he was asked. "As the islands are so far away from other countries, and as the Asiatic population is fast increasing in numbers, it is a serious question if they are left alone whether the republic could survive the wilding of the natives and foreigners. Besides, if the United States has constantly to protect the islands under the government at present, why should not the United States take them altogether?"

"This is a great country for commerce, and is the natural land for American ownership. To all intents and purposes it is an American colony, anyway, so far as business, capital and industry is concerned, and it should be a part of the policy of the United States." Chief Justice Judd said in an interview.

"During the reign of King Kalakaua there were two cabinets, so dissatisfied was the state of the kingdom. The only branch of the government that was not disturbed was the judiciary. The restoration of the monarchy is a necessity. There is no material to make a monarch of."

"Nor can we hope to maintain a republic independently. We must look to the United States. We have come to the turning point, and we particularly become Asiatic or Anglo-Saxon; we are within the zone of American influence, and to assume responsibility for us, they ought to have something to say about our affairs are directed."

Relief for Whalers. A Reindeer Train Will Go Overland to Point Barrow. Washington, Nov. 17.—Secretary Alger has requested the secretary of the interior to instruct Alaskan officials to gather about 800-head of reindeer from the government herds for use of an expedition for the relief of the icebound whalers in the Arctic.

It is expected that the Bear, which is now at Seattle, will be ready to sail in about 10 days, and within 20 days thereafter will reach some point on the coast of Alaska for the purpose of being engaged for the trip overland to Point Barrow.

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DEFENSE OF OUR SEACOAST

Miles' Estimates for Fortification Work Approved.

OVER THREE MILLIONS NEEDED

The Sum of \$3,000,000 Is Recommended for the Columbia River and \$1,140,000 for the Sound.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Secretary Alger has approved the estimates for the coast-defense work submitted by General Miles, and they will be submitted to Chairman Cannon, of the house committee on appropriations, ten days before the opening of the session, in accordance with law. The expenditures of the different seaports are itemized, but the secretary will ask for authority to expend the money in lump-sums, so that work on any particular general will be hurried to meet unexpected contingencies.

"The general desire of our people is to maintain a condition of peace with all nations, and the policy of the government is one of good will and peaceful relations with all others."

A VALUABLE CYCLOPEDIA. Commercial Directory of American Republics Presented to the President.

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Two Spanish Spies. Fort Smith, Ark., Nov. 16.—A young Spaniard, who, for the past few years, has resided in this city, is responsible for the statement that two Spanish spies or emissaries of the Spanish government were in Fort Smith last Friday. The young man claims to have overheard with the two visitors. He says the spies are traveling all over the United States, inspecting the forts and gathering statistics and data that would be of great value to their government in case of war with the United States.

THE CRIME AVENGED.

Murders of the Spicer Family Strung Up by No.

Bismarck, N. D., Nov. 16.—Alex Condit, an Indian half-breed, and Paul Holtryck and Philip Ireland, full-blood Indians, the first of whom was sentenced to death for the murder of six members of the Spicer family last February, and had just been granted a new trial by the supreme court, and the latter two self-confessed accessories in the murder, were taken from the county jail in Wood county last night and lynched by a mob.

The lynching had apparently been coolly planned and was carried out without a break. Sudden and swift retribution was meted out. Williamsport, where the hanging took place, is about 40 miles from this city, and off the railroad. The news of the lynching was received here this afternoon.

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A POLITICAL REVIEW

THE RESULTS SATISFACTORY TO THE REPUBLICANS

New York in Hard Luck, but Ohio and Maryland Stand Well in Line—Silver Being Produced at Low Cost—Growth of Internal Revenue Receipts.

Washington, D. C.—Off years in politics, with a Republican president in the White House, do not as a rule favor Republican success, but the Republican party in the great contests which have been waged in several states have withstood the reaction which always follows a presidential victory at the polls. The fight has been long and bitter, and while heavy losses as well as satisfactory gains are seen, the Republicans here feel in a good frame of mind over the result.

The action of the market has been a great disappointment to the bulls, and there is a growing feeling that with favorable conditions in the winter wheat sections for the next two weeks, that wheat possibly may sag still lower. The news has been rather bearish in many respects, the enormous receipts (much of which is low grade), the heavy rains in the winter wheat sections in the past week, the improved conditions in the Argentine, and the smaller demand for flour has caused a liquidating movement to set in that has carried May wheat down to a lower price than it has seen for a long time.

Claims are made that the earlier estimates of Europe's import requirements of breadstuffs are now thought to have been somewhat too high. In addition, the demand has been so far, easily met, that the amount so found to be in excess on the part of purchasers. In all estimates of the future, much is made of what may be expected of the crops of the Argentine and of the Australian colonies. Too many perhaps, forgot that while harvesting begins in about a month, the products of the harvest do not appear until about a year, before April or May.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 73½¢; Valley and Bluestem, 75¢; 76¢ per bushel. No. 1, 78½¢; No. 2, 76¢; No. 3, 74¢; No. 4, 72¢; No. 5, 70¢; No. 6, 68¢; No. 7, 66¢; No. 8, 64¢; No. 9, 62¢; No. 10, 60¢; No. 11, 58¢; No. 12, 56¢.

Corn—Walla Walla, 13½¢; Valley and Bluestem, 13¢; No. 1, 12½¢; No. 2, 12¢; No. 3, 11½¢; No. 4, 11¢; No. 5, 10½¢; No. 6, 10¢; No. 7, 9½¢; No. 8, 9¢; No. 9, 8½¢; No. 10, 8¢; No. 11, 7½¢; No. 12, 7¢.

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Butter—Fancy native creamery, 24¢; No. 1, 23¢; No. 2, 22¢; No. 3, 21¢; No. 4, 20¢; No. 5, 19¢; No. 6, 18¢; No. 7, 17¢; No. 8, 16¢; No. 9, 15¢; No. 10, 14¢; No. 11, 13¢; No. 12, 12¢.

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WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

(Office of Downing, Hopkins & Co., Chicago Board of Trade Brokers, 75-77 Chamber of Commerce Building, Portland, Oregon.)

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