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CHINESE OBJECTIONS.

Several Things in Joint Note Assented to Unwillingly.

PEKIN, Jan. 16 (Delayed in transmission).—The note which accompanied the agreement delivered by the Chinese plenipotentiaries reiterated the Chinese objections already published, adding thereto a request for the immediate return of the public buildings and the total cessation of military expeditions, the desire for a definition of the limits of the legations, also a desire for the removal of the troops as early as possible.

The German and French officials seem to think it unwise for the troops to leave Peking for several months. The French especially object to what they call "the cowardly behavior of other nations in not protecting the Chinese Christians." For that reason they believe it will be necessary to keep the troops at least another year. The English, Americans and Russians seemingly think a gradual withdrawal can be made as soon as the river opens, about the beginning of March.

The Chinese are anxious to have the indemnities payable to the different nations adjudged before an international committee. A majority of the ministers here seem to think that their governments may make separate arrangements with China. The ministers will hold a meeting shortly to consider the next step to be taken. No formal reply will be sent to the Chinese objections, but they will be considered.

METAL OUTPUT.

Last Year's Cleanup Greatest of Any Year in United States.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—J. J. Valentine, president of Wells, Fargo & Co., has issued his annual report of metals produced in the states and territories west of the Missouri river, including British Columbia and the Yukon district. The report states that the total gross result in 1900 was \$299,315,427, of which gold contributed \$99,100,733; copper \$99,322,284, and silver \$100,212,410.

The combined output of these metals last year was the greatest in the history of this country and Canada. The world's production of gold, estimated at \$236,000,000, shows a decrease of \$63,000,000 as compared with 1899. Australia mined \$6,000,000 less while the production in South Africa fell off on account of the war. The production in the British North American possessions increased \$6,000,000 and the total for North America about \$2,000,000.

Montana leads with an aggregate production of metals of \$67,978,150; Colorado ranked next with \$47,916,220; Arizona followed with \$21,206,029, and then California with \$18,390,714. In British Columbia and the Yukon district the value of ores mined was \$30,297,000.

ARMOUR INSTITUTE.

Millionaire Packer Left It an Endowment of \$1,000,000.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—The Record says: The Armour Institute is to be the nucleus of a great technical school and will be affiliated with either the University of Chicago or Northwestern University. Philip D. Armour before his death arranged for the future of the institution which bears his name and

his will provides an endowment of \$1,000,000 for it.

This is the information which comes from a close personal friend of the Armour family who was in a position to share Mr. Armour's confidence and who, since Mr. Armour's death, has been apprised of the conditions imposed in his will.

Mr. Armour took the precaution to place the Institute in charge of his sons who would see that his original plan of a great technical school was developed to its utmost. He always held the highest opinion of Dr. Frank W. Gunsaulus, until recently the president of Armour Institute, and it is believed by those who know the great packer best that the destiny of the Institute will be shaped by Dr. Gunsaulus in the future.

Every indication is that the technical institution that is to be built around the present Institute will be a tremendous and lasting monument to Mr. Armour's belief in practical education.

Most persons who are at all familiar with the future plans of the Armour Institute believe that it will be affiliated with the University of Chicago. Dr. Gunsaulus has long been connected with that university as a lecturer. If the Armour Institute is to follow Dr. Gunsaulus it will probably become an integral part of the Midway college center.

MAYBRICK CASE AGAIN.

Accession of King Edward May Lead to Prisoner's Pardon.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Clark Bell, president of the Medical and Legal Aid Society, has announced that his society has determined to take up the Maybrick case at once, and that the chances are now more favorable than ever for the pardon or acquittal, after fair trial, of the American woman under sentence of life imprisonment in England, charged with murdering her husband by poison. The taking up of the case is due to the attitude which the new king of England is known to have assumed toward Mrs. Maybrick. It is said that he has made it no secret that he favors her pardon.

In the case all appeals to the king and the new home secretary fail; it is understood that the Medical and Legal Aid Society will ask Miss Clara Barton, of the Red Cross Society, to make a personal appeal to the king.

ORDER OF CHOSEN FRIENDS.

Creditors May Get as Much as Three Cents on the Dollar.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 24.—Receiver Clarke, of the Chosen Friends, says the total liabilities of which the receiver has accurate knowledge at present are \$74,749. In addition to all these claims there are protested checks for large amounts, which will bring the total indebtedness far in excess of \$80,000.

To meet this heavy indebtedness the receiver has in his treasury at present \$999 in cash. Every single asset upon which the order has a claim will have to be fought bitterly in the courts before it can be realized upon. The creditors may get three cents on the dollar. There are now death certificates in the sum of \$49,297; old age claims amounting to \$279,109 and miscellaneous claims which will reach \$425.

TRADING IN TEA.

Members of Coffee Exchange Are Optimistic About Future Transactions.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Members of the coffee exchange are optimistic about the future trading in tea, regular tea calls having just been established. At present the transactions are little more than an experiment, but it is generally asserted that the interest will develop with time. Some of the coffee men have interested themselves in trading and many of the leading tea houses have representatives on the exchange. A wide range of quotations has been established. February, March, April and October are the most active months.

SUIT AGAINST EDISON.

Damages Amounting to \$225,000 Claimed by New Phonograph Company.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The new phonograph company has filed suit for \$225,000 damages against Thomas A. Edison and his various phonograph companies, including the Edison Phonograph Company, the Edison Phonograph Works and the National Phonograph Company.

The advisability of bringing the suit

was made the subject of investigation and report by a special committee appointed last September by the members of the National Phonograph Association in its fifth annual convention at Cincinnati. This association includes officers of the Ohio, New England, Nebraska, Michigan, Iowa, Minnesota, Columbia, Louisiana, Chicago, New Jersey, Kentucky, Western Pennsylvania, Texas, Kansas, Montana, Missouri, Wisconsin, Wyoming, Tennessee, Central Nebraska, Colorado and Utah, Old Dominion, Florida, New York, Pacific Alabama, Georgia, South Dakota, Spokane and West Coast Phonograph Companies.

Ex-Judge Howard W. Hayes, of Newark, counsel for Thomas A. Edison, said:

"The action is undoubtedly based upon a claim to territorial rights for New York state on Mr. Edison's phonograph inventions. We are quite ready to meet it. The New York Phonograph Company claims, I believe, to possess the patent right for New York on all the Edison inventions relating to the phonograph since 1888 and for fifteen years after that date. The fact is that instead of Mr. Edison having violated his contract he lost between \$400,000 and \$500,000 in the deal out of which this case has grown."

ROOSEVELT SUCCESSFUL.

His Party Has Secured Much Game and Will Remain Two Weeks Longer.

MEEKER, Col., Jan. 24.—News direct from the Keystone ranch, at which place the Roosevelt hunting party is stopping, shows that between the 12th and the 22nd of January, twelve grown mountain lions, three kittens and eight lynx cats were killed.

On Saturday last the party had quite

an exciting adventure with a lion. The lion was held captive by and was fighting with the whole pack of hounds.

The hunters were trying to get near enough to the animal to kill it with their knives when it seized one of the dogs by the jaw. Governor Roosevelt shoved the breach of his gun into the lion's mouth, holding the gun by one hand, with the other striking the lion a deathblow with his knife. His gun shows the marks of the lion's teeth. All the grown lions were killed with the knife.

The governor has decided to stay for another two weeks.

BERIBERI IN TACOMA.

Astful Plague in China Not Contagious Here.

Tacoma has a case of beriberi, the dreaded oriental plague which is annually responsible for thousands of deaths in the coast and lowland provinces of China, and to a certain extent in southern Japan. The man, a Chinaman, is now in the local hospital. He is not isolated nor separated from other patients, the disease being only contagious under certain climatic conditions which do not exist in this country, but the more serious symptoms of the advanced stages of the disease have manifested themselves and his recovery is very doubtful.

The plague-stricken man is a young Chinaman of the lower class. He joined the brigadier at Hong Kong, along with several others, none of whom had before been to sea. His name appears on the registry of the crew as Ah Tye.

He was examined, as was also the others, by the port physician of Hong Kong and was pronounced in good physical condition. The vessel cleared from that place with a clean bill of health.

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