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## LAST DAY AT SAN FRANCISCO

**President and Party Will Leave for the Capitol Today.**

### ACCORDED MORE RECEPTIONS

Other Societies Join in Doing the Chief Magistrate Honor—Reviews School Children of Oakland—Evening Spent Quietly.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—President McKinley has completed his program in this city, having met every organization included in the original schedule and Mrs. McKinley's health has so far improved that the president and his party will begin the return journey to the national capital at 10 a. m. tomorrow.

The president's public functions today included a reception at the Scott residence to members of the foreign consular corps of this city, a reception at the Palace Hotel by the Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution and the Loyal Legion in honor of the president and a review of the school children of Oakland. The president spent the evening quietly at the Scott residence, resting and superintending arrangements for tomorrow's departure.

### EFFECTS OF THE STRIKE

Several Steamers in 'Frisco Will Have to Wait for Repairs.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—The effects of the machinists' strike are beginning to be felt by the shipping interests of this city. A number of big steamships that were undergoing repairs at the time of the walkout must remain idle for want of workmen to get them ready for service. Several new steamers are in an uncompleted state and cannot go into commission as soon as their owners expected, and in addition the regular liners now due to arrive and known to be in need of repairs, will probably be forced to lay idle until a settlement of the strike.

### EXONERATES COL. WOODRUFF.

MacArthur's Report on Commissary Frauds Received at Washington.

WASHINGTON, May 24.—About six hundred pounds of Manila mail were received at the war department today, among which was the report of General MacArthur upon the investigation made as to the connection of Colonel Woodruff and other regular commissary officers with frauds in the commissary department.

This report, it is understood, exonerates Colonel Woodruff although some of his former subordinates are said to be criticised for their methods.

### MINORITY REPORT DEFEATED.

HAVANA, May 24.—The minority report of the committee on foreign relations was today defeated in the constitutional convention by a vote of 19 to 9. Tomorrow the majority report will be read and discussed. Conservatives believe the final vote on the latter report will be taken Monday, but they do not expect to hold the full strength shown today.

### JOINT HIGH COMMISSION.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier Says Sitting Will Shortly Be Resumed.

OTTAWA, Ont., May 24.—The leader of the opposition in the house, having asked for information respecting the

announcement that the joint high commission was shortly to resume its sittings, Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he had reason to believe the sittings would be resumed. It was desirable to bring matters to an issue of some kind. He said the Alaska boundary had not been eliminated but was in the very forefront of the negotiations. In justice to Canada and in justice to Newfoundland it was necessary that the commission should resume. If the sittings failed Canada would have to consider the question of revising its relations with Newfoundland. He also said it is important for all concerned that the Alaska boundary be definitely settled. It is the commission failed to reach a settlement and the American and the Canadian contentions were so far apart that the premier did not see any assurance that a settlement would be reached and if a fair compromise could not be arrived at, then there must be arbitration.

The objection to the Bond-Blaine treaty which is causing considerable discussion by Canada is that it gives to the United States fishing vessels the privilege of entering the waters of Newfoundland and purchasing bait at all times and on the same terms as Newfoundland vessels.

In return the United States gives free admission to Newfoundland fish. That would prove, so it is said, disastrous to the Canadian fishing.

### STEEL TRUST SHARES.

John W. Gates Says They Will Soon Rapidly Advance.

NEW YORK, May 24.—A dispatch to the Journal and Advertiser from London says:

John W. Gates, interviewed upon his arrival here, said:

"My visit to England is simply one of recreation and has no connection with business. I have not come to do anything for steel trust shares. It is quite certain, however, that these shares will rapidly advance within a short time.

"Firms forming the combination have been making twenty-four million pounds annually. Taking as a basis their earnings for a period of years a dividend of seven per cent is assured. The preferred shares of the trust I regard as one of the best investments that could be made. They are shares that will be put away in boxes as securities as they are on a perfectly sound basis and the right men have control of the corporation.

"Regarding railroad matters, I think both Atchison and Union Pacific are certain to advance in value.

"The country is experiencing an era of great prosperity. The new find of oil in Texas is a highly promising one and will add to the national resources. The chief flow of oil is at Port Arthur, Tex. I think the Standard Oil Company will eventually acquire a holding there."

### CLUB EXTENDS TIME.

NEW YORK, May 24.—The challenge committee of the New York Yacht Club decided to extend the time for the international yacht race for one month, in accordance with the wish for this length of time expressed by Sir Thomas Lipton.

### MANUFACTURERS TO COMBINE.

CHICAGO, May 24.—A special to the Evening Post from Troy, N. Y., says: The heading shirt and cuff manufacturers of the country are to combine. The aggregate value of the concerns to be included in the combine is about \$20,000,000.

### BASEBALL SCORES.

SEATTLE, May 24.—Seattle, 8; Tacoma, 5.  
 PORTLAND, May 24.—Portland, 4; Spokane, 0.

## TWELVE OF THE CREW DROWNED

**Steamer Baltimore Founders on Lake Huron in Storm.**

### TWO MEN SAVE THEIR LIVES

Survivors Lashed Themselves to a Piece of Wreckage and Were Picked Up by a Tug—Graphic Account of the Disaster.

EAST TAWAS, Mich., May 24.—The wooden steamer Baltimore foundered this morning in Lake Huron near Au Sable and twelve of her crew of fourteen were drowned. The two men were washed about in the lake for several hours, lashed to pieces of wreckage, and were finally picked up by the tug Columbia and brought here.

George McGinnis, a deck hand, one of the rescued, went crazy from his experience. The other survivor, Thos. Murphy, of Milwaukee, second engineer, was able to tell the story of the disaster.

The dead are: Captain M. H. Place, master of the steamer.

Mrs. M. H. Place, wife of Captain Place, stewardess.

Michael Breathan, first mate.

John Delders, second steward.

Edward Owen, wheelman.

George W. Scott, watchman.

Herbert Winning, watchman.

F. M. Marcus, chief engineer.

William Barker, fireman.

P. Krueger, fireman.

August Anderson, deckhand.

It was some time after the Columbia had brought the shipwrecked men into port before Murphy was revived sufficiently to tell his story.

The Baltimore foundered about 6 o'clock this morning and he was in the water until a late hour in the afternoon.

"We were bound from Lorain to Sault Ste Marie," he said, "and had in tow a large steamer drill and scow. When off Thunder bay last night Captain Place decided to turn about and run for Tawas for shelter. When we arrived off Au Sable, the steamer struck heavily on the bottom. Seas broke over her at the same time and carried away the deckhouse, then the after cabin and finally the smokestack fell.

"It is every man for himself, now," shouted Captain Place. Every man started to save himself. Some boys took to the rigging but McGinnis and I lashed ourselves to a ring bolt in a place of the after cabin and were washed overboard shortly afterwards.

"The Columbia finally came along and picked us up just as I was about to give up all hope."

### DISCONTENT AMONG NATIVES.

Americans Are Appointed to Judicial Positions in the Philippines.

MANILA, May 24.—Discontent among the natives at the appointment of American judges and discriminations in the civil service in favor of Americans is finding expression, encouraged by some native judges who are aware that reorganization of the judiciary will result in the loss of their positions.

Judge Neer, of the court of first instance, of Tondo, one of the leaders of what is beginning to be called the radical wing of the federalists, declared today that if such things continue there will be a second revolution. It is undeniable that most of the native judges lack the competence required.

### BUSINESS MEN DISTURBED.

Afraid of the Increase in Power of American Industrial Combinations.

NEW YORK, May 24.—General Manager Gustav H. Schwab, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company in America, who has been in Europe for the last two and a half months and who returned home on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, in an interview upon business conditions in Europe said:

"While in Europe, especially in Germany and England, I saw that the business men there were much disturb-

ed over the increasing competition from this side and seemed to fear the increase in power of industrial combinations. The alarm is so great that I am certain that some scheme of self protection on the part of the governments affected will undoubtedly be perfected.

"Of course there are great difficulties to be met in forming an industrial and commercial combination against the United States, but there is every reason to believe that earnest efforts—efforts that may have serious consequences to the trade of this country—will be made.

"I heard similar talk in Germany which resulted in my becoming firmly convinced that commercial and international peace between this country and the European nations imperatively calls for certain concessions on our part, without affecting our own industries. Unless we do make some kind of concessions, Europe will, as sure as fate, put some kind of a restraint duty on American products."

Referring to the reported steamship combination effected by J. P. Morgan, Mr. Schwab said:

"The British public is giving it a lot of concern but to the average steamship man who understands the situation it does not seem to be nearly so dangerous as some people think. As an American, speaking as the agent of a German trans-Atlantic line, I do not think the reported amalgamation will affect the continental lines. Germany will certainly keep abreast of the times in the matter of ships whether of great cargo capacity or of speed.

### SEVENTY MINERS LOST.

Fearful Explosion in Welsh Colliery—No Hope for Entombed Men.

LONDON, May 24.—An explosion occurred this morning at the Universal colliery at Seughenydd, in the Rhondda valley. The rescuers are working with the greatest difficulty owing to lack of air. Five bodies have been recovered. The wreckage of the pit is complete, almost precluding hope that the imprisoned men can have survived. There are seventy miners missing.

### AGAINST A REDUCTION.

BERLIN, May 24.—It is semi-officially asserted that resolutions by ministers of the powers in Pekin not to reduce the Chinese indemnity below 400,000,000 taels is final, and also that China accepts this, thus rendering the approximate reimbursement of the expeditionary expense of the powers certain.

### MARCUS DALY'S STABLE SOLD.

NEW YORK, May 24.—The Bitter Root stud, a thoroughbred yearling, the property of the late Marcus Daly, was disposed of at auction tonight in Madison Square Garden. There were fifty-six horses for sale. Forty-five head were sold for \$51,535, an average of \$946.35.

### HEAVY WIND STORM.

Sweeping Over Nevada, Utah, Southern Idaho and Wyoming.

### SALT LAKE, MAY 24.—A heavy

windstorm has been sweeping over Nevada, Utah, Southern Idaho and Wyoming and Southern Idaho for the past thirty hours. The velocity at times reached fifty miles an hour. The storm has resulted in almost the complete prostration of the telegraph and telephone service in all directions. It will probably be several days before the service is restored. Around Salt Lake a perfect hurricane prevailed.

### CREEDON KNOCKED OUT.

LOUISVILLE, May 24.—Marvin Hart, of Louisville, tonight knocked out Dan Creedon, of Australia, in the sixth round of a twenty-five round bout before the Southern Athletic club.

### WEEK'S FAILURES.

NEW YORK, May 24.—R. G. Dun's Review will say tomorrow: Failures for the week number 136 in the United States against 125 last year, and 23 in Canada against 20 last year.

### RUMORED SALE OF BONDS.

NEW YORK, May 24.—It was semi-officially reported in Wall street today that \$50,000,000 new issue of the Union Pacific 4 per cent bonds had been sold to a syndicate presumably to Kuhn, Loeb & Co.

### SILVER MARKET.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Silver, 59¢.

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