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### MRS. M'KINLEY SPENT GOOD DAY

No Marked Change, However, in Patient's Condition.

### WATCHED VERY CAREFULLY

President Spent Most of the Day at the Bedside and the Bulletins Issued Daily Are Very Guardedly Worded.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—Dr. Rixey made his usual visit to the White House shortly after 9 o'clock and remained about an hour and a half. On leaving, he said:

"Mrs. McKinley is resting very comfortably now. She has gained a great deal this evening but there is no marked change. She is doing very well."

While the improvement in Mrs. McKinley's condition is slight, in fact there had been no setback during the day, but on the contrary a slight gain, was gratifying to the White House household and the president expressed his pleasure several times during the evening.

In view of the gravity of the condition of the stricken mistress of the White House, too much significance is not attached to the slight improvement shown. Both ups and downs have marked her illness, and it is realized that whatever gain or improvement is shown, may prove but temporary. For this reason bulletins, as officially announced by the physicians once a day, refer to the gain in her condition in very guarded language.

President McKinley is spending a large part of his time at his wife's bedside.

### FIRE AT MARE ISLAND.

Powder Stored in a Building Burned but No Other Damage Was Done

VALLEJO, Cal., June 5.—A peculiar fire occurred at the Mare Island navy yard today. Between 20 and 30 tons of smokeless powder was burned, causing a loss of between four and five hundred thousand dollars.

The powder burned all day and was not extinguished until tonight. The origin of the fire has not been determined. The generally accepted theory is that the powder in the magazine took fire through chemical action. This theory explains why no explosion occurred. The only damage was to the brick building in which the powder was stored being demolished of the roof, which was lifted off by gas generated by the burning powder.

### CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Cadet in the Naval Academy Dismissed for Hazing.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—Following the example set at West Point, the superintendent of the naval academy has caused a cadet to be dismissed for hazing. In this case, however, that of Calvin Joe Crosssey, of the fourth class, of California, was the accused. He was tried by court-martial and regularly convicted.

It is understood that the dismissed cadet was discovered in the act of hazing another cadet in his room by compelling him to stand on his head.

### STEELE ELECTED DIRECTOR.

Morgan Now the Ruling Factor in Atchison Railroad.

NEW YORK, June 5.—At a meeting of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company today Chas. F. Steele, of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Company, was selected director. He was also placed on the executive committee of the road.

The Mail and Express says of Steele's election to the Atchison directorate:

"The election of Steele means that in the future Morgan is to be the one ruling factor in that company."

"There is a possibility that the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific might be used to the disadvantage of some of the Eastern railroads, such as the Pennsylvania, Vanderbilt and Southern railroads."

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road systems, it became essential that sufficient interest in the Atchison should be acquired to enable Morgan, Cassatt and associates to reach for Western points not accessible by the northern trans-continental lines.

"According to a man identified with the Atchison interests, Morgan and those whom he represents, have sold a majority of the common stock."

### LIQUOR LICENSE REVOKED.

Pugilist Corbett Must Close His Business in New York.

NEW YORK, June 5.—The liquor certificate tax license held by J. J. Corbett, the pugilist, was revoked today by the supreme court in the proceedings brought for revocation of the license by Rev. J. Q. A. Henry, superintendent of the New York anti-saloon league.

The testimony showed that Corbett had kept the saloon open after midnight in violation of the law.

Suit will now be brought by the excise commissioner to recover double the amount of the bond given by Corbett.

### MINERS ELECT OFFICERS.

DENVER, June 5.—The Western Federation of Miners today elected officers as follows:

President, Edward Boyce, Wardner, Idaho; vice-president James Wilkes, Nelson, B. C.; secretary-treasurer, W. D. Haywood, Silver City, Idaho; executive board, First district, John Williams, Silver City, Idaho; Second district, John Kelly, Burke, Idaho; Third district, Phillip Boden, Butte; Fourth district, Thos. Sullivan, Leadville, Colorado.

It was decided to establish permanent headquarters of the federation at Denver.

### BOUNDARY COMMISSION'S WORK.

NEW WHATCOM, Wash., June 5.—Boundary commissions of the American and Canadian governments, engaged in re-locating the international line, have completed the work through the Mount Baker mining district and find that it runs three-fifths of a mile further south than heretofore supposed, but all the more valuable mines remain in American territory.

### PHILIPPINE VETERAN DEAD.

NEW WHATCOM, Wash., June 5.—Colonel J. J. Wiesnerberger, commanding the First regiment, national guards of Washington, died today, aged 46. Death resulted from cerebral meningitis. Col. Wiesnerberger distinguished himself in the war in the Philippines in which he served as ranking major in the First Washington regiment.

### APPOINTED STATE GEOLOGIST.

TACOMA, Wash., June 5.—The state board of geological survey today appointed Henry Landes state geologist. He now has charge of geology in the Washington state university. Professor Sheel, of the state scientific school at Pullman, was appointed assistant superintendent.

### FROSTS AT BOISE.

BOISE, Ida., June 5.—This vicinity was visited by a severe frost last night, the like of which has not been known at this season for fifteen years. The government bureau reports the temperature at 30, while places through the valley report the temperature as low as twenty-six degrees. Fruit is damaged seriously.

### OPPOSED TO DIVISION.

PASIG, June 5.—The United States Philippine commission has encountered warm opposition to the proposal to combine the provinces of Morong and Manila. A majority of the Morong delegates hold that the population of that province entitles them to a separate government.

### NOME RUSH CONTINUES.

SEATTLE, June 5.—The steamer State of California sailed for Nome tonight with 500 passengers. The steamer Kimball also sailed tonight with 264 passengers for Nome.

### CATHOLIC PRIESTS MASSACRED.

LONDON, June 5.—According to a special dispatch from Peking, dated June 5, Father Beartin, an Italian priest, and fourteen other priests have been massacred at Ning Tio Lang, in southern Magnolia.

### AMERICANS WERE HONORED GUESTS

### New York Delegates Tendered Banquet in London.

### LAVISH HOSPITALITY SHOWN

### Speeches Teemed With Extreme Friendliness and the Belief Expressed That Both Countries Would Rule Destinies of the World.

LONDON, June 5.—The banquet tendered by the London chamber of commerce to the delegates of the New York chamber, at Grocers' hall tonight, was one of the handsomest affairs of the kind ever given in this city, famed for lavish hospitality.

No effort was spared to honor the American guests; but it must be confessed that the latter did not sustain the reputation America has for brilliant after-dinner speaking. Nor did the British speakers do much to relieve the tedium of four hours' speaking. All the speeches, however, teemed with extreme friendliness and faith in the establishment of permanent friendly relations.

All the speakers expressed the belief that Great Britain and the United States would rule the destinies of the world, and that their unwritten alliance would always work for the peace and benefit of mankind.

### COLD AT BAKER CITY.

### Mercury Goes Six Below Zero—Fruit and Vegetables Destroyed.

BAKER CITY, Ore., June 5.—The coldest June weather for a period of twenty years was recorded in Baker City last night. The mercury fell six degrees below the freezing point. Ice was formed in pools of water on the streets over an inch thick.

All fruit, such as cherries, apples, pears, prunes and plums, were killed and vegetables were destroyed. So far as known the growing grain was not seriously injured. The weather is cold tonight.

### HONORED MAITRE LABORI

### Distinguished Advocate Holds British Jurists Spellbound by His Eloquence.

LONDON, June 5.—Maitre Labori, the distinguished French advocate, held the leaders of the British bench and bar spellbound tonight by his eloquence. More than 500 of Great Britain's most eminent jurists did honor to the defender of Dreyfus, and paid him tribute such as was never before rendered in Great Britain to a Frenchman.

The occasion was the annual dinner of the Harlickie Society.

### TWO CADETS DISMISSED.

### Court-martialed for Falsely Obtaining Permission to Leave Post.

WEST POINT, N. Y., June 5.—Two cadets, members of the coming first class, were summarily dismissed from the United States military academy today. They were Stephen B. Verner, Syracuse, N. Y., and Charles S. Perry, of Iowa.

They were court-martialed upon a charge of having falsely obtained permission to leave the post. This permission having been granted, they were subsequently detected by army officers, drinking at a bar in Newburgh.

### BRYAN AT KANSAS CITY.

### Addresses Large Audience and Predicts Republican Defeat.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 5.—William J. Bryan addressed an audience of 1500 people at the Democratic club rooms tonight. He declared the Democratic party could not be reorganized by men who had been with the enemy in 1896 and 1900.

The supreme court decision, he said, had made imperialism the burning issue, and he predicted that it would wreck the Republican party.

### POPULATION OF TUTUILA.

### Commander Tilley Gives the Number as Four Thousand.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—In accordance with instructions from the navy department, Commander Benjamin F. Tilley, the naval commandant at Tutuila, Samoa, has forwarded to Washington a report on the population of those islands of the Samoan group under the jurisdiction of the United States. From the most reliable authority in the islands, he has ascertained that the population of Tutuila totals 4000 and of the Namsu groups 2900 including adults

and children. In addition to the native population there are on the islands approximately 100 whites.

Since his last report to the department, Commander Tilley has visited the islands of Namsu aboard his station ship, the Abarenda and has found these islands in a most satisfactory condition. The natives of these islands, he says, exhibit a much more kind feeling than ever before. They have voted a tax for the payment of their officials and for other expenses of the government. It is paid in copra. The rate is about \$1 per head for every inhabitant. This, says the commander, is a very light tax and is not in the least burdensome to the natives. The abundant copra crop of the islands is now being harvested and shipped, and Commander Tilley is endeavoring to have the natives realize fair prices for it—something very unusual in the past.

Commander Tilley reports everything in the island of Tutuila in a very satisfactory state.

### WERE NOT SURPRISED.

### London Military Men Expected Heavy Losses at Vlakkfontein.

NEW YORK, June 5.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says:

Military men were not surprised when the official story of the battle of Vlakkfontein came out yesterday. They had suspected from the heavy British losses, that the Boer attack was a surprise, but had not guessed that the rear guard of Dixon's force had been rushed and that two guns had been temporarily captured before the main body could be rallied for their recovery.

This engagement occurred further west than was at first reported and communications with Pretoria were interrupted. Delany fought with desperate energy and was repulsed after he had secured important advantages.

Clearly the war has not yet reached the police stage. The Boers proved more than that they could plan a battle with skill, and while they were driven off they made an effective demonstration of fighting force which would seem to put an end to all rumors of peace negotiations. This is the interpretation which Mr. Kruger's group of advisors in Holland place upon it. An irrepressible conflict goes on with a revival of courage on the Boer side.

### WILL TRY ARBITRATION.

### Date Set for Settling Chicago Machinists' Differences.

CHICAGO, June 5.—The state board of arbitration has offered its services to the manufacturers and machinists for the settlement of existing differences. The offer was made by Frederick W. Job, the Chicago member, and William A. Mathias, of Clinton. Chauncey W. Geiger, of Ashley, the third member of the board, was not present but authorized the other two members to act for him.

The manufacturers informed Mr. Job and Mr. Mathias that they had decided to take no action until after the meeting of their national association in New York on June 11, and they preferred to have the board hold its offer in abeyance until then. Business Agents Ireland and Boyle, with the advice of the executive committee of machinists, consented to a delay but insist it must be brief. They suggested that in the meantime the board should inquire into the differences as it would be well informed if the contesting associations agreed to call on its services.

### POOR OUTLOOK FOR STRIKERS.

### San Francisco Employers Will Not Listen to Terms or Even Arbitration.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 5.—The prospects for settling the machinists' strike is poorer perhaps today than it has been any day since May 20. During the past few days employers refuse to listen to terms, overtures or even the mention of arbitration, claiming to be absolutely powerless to do anything in the premises, except to permit the strikers to return, under the same conditions under which they had been working before the strike.

In explaining the attitude of the employers toward the strikers, the bosses say that, in view of the forthcoming convention of the Metal Trades Association of America which is to convene at New York June 11, it would be folly for a small number of employers on the Pacific coast to make rates or terms without knowing what the east is going to do about it.

### BOOTH BECOMES A MASON.

### NEW YORK, June 5.—General Balfour Booth, of the Volunteers of America, has been initiated into the mysteries of masonry in the lodge at Montclair, N. J.

### SAILED FOR ENGLAND.

### NEW YORK, June 5.—Lord Paunceforte, British ambassador to the United States, sailed today for Southampton.

### BASEBALL SCORES.

### SEATTLE, June 5.—Spokane, 12; Seattle, 3.

### TILLMAN'S BLUFF CALLED DOWN

### Governor McSweeney Refuses to Accept His Resignation.

### PITCHFORK SENATOR SCORED

### Told by the Governor That His Insinuations Are Unworthy of a Man Holding His High Commission—Tillman Withdraws Resignation.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 5.—A surprising outcropping of the senatorial row in this state was a letter from Governor McSweeney to Senator Tillman today. The letter in part says:

"Sir: Your letter of June 1 received. I have carefully noted its contents, and the most charitable view I can take is that it was written in the heat of passion and without due consideration. My sole purpose in returning of yourself and Senator McLaurin's resignations was to ask you gentlemen to consider calmly and thoughtfully the consequences to the people of what I judged to be a hasty act."

"Your insinuation that I have been 'importuned' to 'await the convenience' of any present or would be aspirant who 'are not just yet ready to enter the contest brought on so unexpectedly.' And that for this reason my action has taken the direction it has, is unworthy of a man holding the high commission which has been given you by the people of South Carolina and deserved notice in this connection. I alone am responsible for my reply, and will give an account for the course I have taken to the people who have honored me, and not to any one individual. With due respect for your opinion I think I have as high a conception of the office of senator and its powers as you or any other citizen in this state. If you still wish to resign your commission and will send to this office an unconditional resignation, I will exercise the authority and power vested in me by the people."

### WITHDRAWS RESIGNATION.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 5.—Senator Tillman, protesting against the governor's right to reject the senator's resignation, tonight withdrew his resignation.

### KATZ-MILLS.

### SALT LAKE, June 5.—The wedding of Miss Emily Katz, ex-society editor of the Salt Lake Herald, and Governor Heber M. Wells, of Utah, took place this evening at the home of the bride's mother. The ceremony was performed by Bishop O. F. Whitney, in accordance with the religious ritual of the Mormon church.

### CHAFFEE AT MANILA.

### MANILA, June 5.—General Chaffee and staff and two companies of the Ninth infantry arrived today on the transport Sumner from Taku. General Chaffee will be General MacArthur's guest at Malaccan palace.

### WHITNEY'S HORSE WON.

### LONDON, June 5.—William C. Whitney's Volodyovski, ridden by L. Reiff, won the derby in the record time of two minutes and forty and three-fifths seconds today.

### VERDICT FOR DEFENDANT.

### BOSTON, June 5.—The court has ordered a verdict for the defendant in the suit of Mrs. Woodbury against Mrs. Eddy for alleged libel.

### DESTROYED BY FIRE.

### UKIAH, Cal., June 5.—The entire business portion of Willets, a town about twenty-five miles north of here, was destroyed by fire this afternoon. Loss, \$30,000.



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