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### LYNCHINGS IN UNITED STATES

Italian Senate Considers Question of Securing Justice From United States.

### WILL CONTINUE TO PROTEST

United States Admitted Italian Claims Were Well Founded and Promises Careful Consideration.

ROME, Dec. 20.—In the senate today Baron Fava, formerly Italian ambassador at Washington, raised the question of lynchings in the United States in which there had been a repetition of grave events, he said, and where guilty persons had not been discovered.

Replying to Baron Fava, Signor Prinetti, minister of foreign affairs, declared that neither the Italian government nor Italian diplomats were guilty of any negligence in their efforts to secure a triumph of justice, but owing to the reluctance of witnesses it had been impossible to identify the culprits and the grand jury had declared, according to the usual formula, that the lynching in question had occurred by "the will of God."

This statement from Signor Prinetti caused a sensation. Continuing, the foreign minister said that the Italian government would continue to protest in the hope of obtaining satisfaction against international treaties. The government had represented what a serious thing it was, said Signor Prinetti, that the government of the United States should declare itself unable to fulfill its engagements in conformity with international treaties. To this representation the American government had not replied in writing but it had admitted that Italian claims were well founded and had promised carefully to consider the question.

### CRIPPLE MEAT INDUSTRY.

Discontinuance of Inspection Would Entail Loss of \$20,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Secretary Wilson today stated that the discontinuance of the appropriation for inspection of meats sent abroad would mean the entire suspension of exports and the loss to the United States of \$20,000,000 worth of meats annually sold to Germany. Lack of funds, he explained, was due to the increased work of the past year and two weeks' leave of absence granted each employee of the bureau outside of this city, which necessitated the employment of additional men. Secretary Wilson said he has asked congress to make part of the appropriation for the coming year immediately available.

### GARDNER BEATS CARTER.

In a Contest for Middleweight Championship of the World.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—George Gardner, of Lowell, Mass., and "Kid" Carter, of Brooklyn, N. Y., met tonight at Mechanics Pavilion in what was announced as a contest for the middleweight championship of the world. Gardner clearly established his right to the title by knocking out Carter in the eighth round. The men had met twice before under similar conditions and on each occasion the Lowell lad was returned the winner.

### CHINESE ARMY.

Will Be Trained by Officers From Japanese Army.

PEKIN, Dec. 20.—Yuan Shi Kai, new viceroy of Chi Li, has engaged Japanese officers to train the Chinese army. The government of Japan has offered to detail a Japanese general to reorganize the Chinese army. According to advices from Shanghai dated December 19, Yuan Shi Kai intends to employ British and American officers to reorganize the Chinese navy.

### ORDERED TO PANAMA.

United States Cruiser Philadelphia Departs on Short Notice.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Under instructions from the navy department to make all speed for Panama the United States cruiser Philadelphia steamed out of the harbor this afternoon.

### EFFECT ABROAD.

Position of American Copper Greatly Exercises English Market.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—The position of American copper greatly exercises the British market. The financial weeklies,

### FREIGHT TRAINS COME TOGETHER

Two Engines and Ten Cars Completely Demolished on the Northern Pacific.

### ONE ENGINEER IS MISSING

Both Trains Were Extras and Cause of the Wreck is Not Yet Determined.

TACOMA, Dec. 20.—Extra No. 154, a west-bound freight train on the Northern Pacific collided with extra No. 133, east-bound about one mile west of Weston about 5:30 p. m. Both engines were damaged, ten cars derailed and the track will be blocked several hours. Wrecking outfits from Tacoma and Ellensburg were sent to clear the track.

The cars damaged were mostly loaded with coal. Conductor C. A. Flek on the extra east-bound was slightly injured. Engineer Kelly, of the extra west-bound, has not yet been found and there is a possibility he may be under the wreck.

### STATEMENT UNFOUNDED.

Rosbery's Accusations Against Boers Denied by Leyds.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Dr. Leyds in an interview, says the Brussels correspondent of the London Times and New York Times calls the accusation made against the Boers by Lord Rosebery in his speech at Chesterfield "almost ministerial recklessness."

Lord Rosebery's statement that a peace emissary was flogged and murdered is declared by Dr. Leyds to be "wholly unwarranted."

He says every authorized peace envoy sent by the British has been kindly treated.

Dr. Leyds declares that Morgendaa, who was flogged, court-martialed and shot, was not a peace envoy but entered a Boer camp in order to induce the men to desert.

### UNEXPECTED ORDERS.

U. S. Gunboat Marietta is Ordered to Nombre de Dios.

COLON, Dec. 20.—The United States gunboat Marietta received unexpected orders today to Nombre de Dios, doubtless to protect the property of the Mangrove Mining Company, an American concern. The Columbian gunboat General Pinson will sail for Savannah this afternoon. She will take a few troops to Nombre de Dios.

### VICTIMS OF WRECK.

Death List of Wreck on Southern Pacific Now Numbers Six.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—The death list of the wreck on the coast division of the Southern Pacific at Uplands has reached six. All the injured are expected to recover. Two Italians, John Cordona and Francisco Savania died today at the Southern Pacific hospital. Two charred bodies were disinterred from the wreckage at Upland. It is supposed they are the bodies of tramps who were riding on the brakebeams.

### ORGANIZER OF VICTORY

KITCHENER'S SUCCESS ENCOURAGES BRITISH.

Has Collected Scattered Raw Material in South Africa in Splendid Army.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Satisfaction with the progress of events in South Africa is now general and there is a marked revival of public opinion in support of Lord Kitchener as commander in chief, says the Tribune's London correspondent. Only a few weeks ago the military expressed much adverse criticism of Kitchener's generalship. Now, however, he is called the organizer of victory and the people talk of his abilities with unwavering energy. Full credit is given him for collecting all the scattered raw material in South Africa and the re-enforcements daily arriving from all parts of the British Empire into a fighting machine.

### COL. HINTON DEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Colonel Josiah Hinton, well known as a co-worker with John Brown, who served in the Union army in 1860-65 and later edited various newspapers in Washington, New York and San Francisco, died in London today. He was born in London in 1830.

### OUR PRESENCE IN THE PHILIPPINES

Will Have a Potential Effect on Asia--Is Stepping Stone to Commanding Position.

### NECESSARY TO EXPANSION

And a Base From Which American Interests Can Ever be Protected, says Gen. Arthur MacArthur.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 20.—Minister Wu Ting Fang responding to the toast, "Trade Relations with China," at the annual John Jay banquet given by the Kansas City Commercial Club in this city last night argued against the Chinese Exclusion Law which he said deprives the United States of the proportion of commercial benefits from China which the resources of this country should insure and he asserted that our trade relations with China will never be bettered much while Chinese merchants and the better class of Chinese shall be excluded from America.

General Arthur MacArthur responded to the toast "The United States Army. Referring to the Philippine Islands, he said:

"The power that holds the Philippine archipelago will have a potential effect on Asia. It is a stepping stone to a commanding position and a base from where American interests can ever be protected. Their possession is necessary to natural expansion."

### EMPEZZLER ARRESTED.

New York Official Charged With Theft of \$30,000.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Charles P. Chipp, formerly a book president in the office of the Collector of Assessments and Arrears, a branch of the controller's office, has been arrested, charged with larceny of \$27,155. This is the specific charge but alleged peculations by Chipp aggregate \$30,000. It is said, and possibly much more. The arrest was made at the instance of the district attorney's office.

### SUFFERING IN OKLAHOMA.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Dec. 20.—Every road leading into the new country is still lined with prospective settlers. Without food and generally without money and in a country sparsely settled, they have starved and frozen, in many cases, death resulting among the children.

### TO CATCH SEALS.

VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 20.—The annual meeting of the Victoria Sealing Company was held today. It was decided that about 30 schooners would be sent out, seven for the Japanese coast and the others on the California and British Columbia coast.

### COLONISTS RATES FIXED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—At a meeting today of the general passenger agents of the roads west of Chicago, colonist rates for the rest of the winter were agreed to. They will be \$35 from Chicago to California one way, and \$30 to Montana points.

### WHEAT MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Wheat, May, opening 79 3/4; closing 79 1/2.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Wheat, cash, 102 1/2.

TACOMA, Dec. 20.—Wheat, bluestem, 60; club, 59.

PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 59 1/2; Valley, 60; bluestem,

### CAN NOT LAND.

Alien Afflicted With Consumption Can Not Enter United States.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—In answer to a hypothetical question propounded by the Oceanic Steamship Co. whether or not an alien afflicted with consumption, traveling first-class and of ample means, might be allowed to land in this country, Commissioner of Immigration North has decided that such immigrant is not to be allowed admission into this country.

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