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WHAT TO Give Him

Last week we spoke of our exclusive makes of Smoking Jackets. We now wish to refer to suit cases, Umbrellas and Hats; either may be selected now before the rush and exchanged after Xmas if necessary. We take pleasure in pleasing customers.

Then there are such suitables for Xmas presents as Dress or Everyday Shirts, of which we have a splendid variety.

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In Eight Different Dainty Styles

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They are the Prettiest Aprons We Have Seen

Ladies' White Muslin Underwear

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For the Holiday Trade Are Guaranteed

The Very Best

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Ladies' and Men's Slippers

In High Novelties

Ladies' and Children's Coats

Cheaper Than Elsewhere

AGED CONGRESSMAN ADDRESSES HOUSE

Speech of Venerable Representative Listened to With Rapt Attention.

THEME CAPITAL AND LABOR

Duties Refunded on Merchandise From Porto Rico—Bill Is Passed to Relieve Tea Importers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The feature of the house proceedings today was a thoughtful speech by the venerable Mr. Grow of Pennsylvania on relations between labor and capital. At the end of the present session he retires at the age of 79, after a career in public life extending over half a century. His first speech in the house was on "Man's Right to Sell." He was author of the first homestead act. His speech today was regarded as his valedictory to public life and was listened to with close attention by his colleagues. His conclusion was that some sort of cooperation between labor and capital was the only solution of the impending problem.

A bill passed designed to relieve tea importers from the effect of the recent decision of the circuit court in New York imposing a 10 cent war duty on tea imported in bond prior to the time when tea is restored to the free list, January 1, 1903.

Another bill to refund duties collected on merchandise from Porto Rico and the Philippines during the period between the ratification of the treaty of Paris and the congressional revenue acts for those islands was also passed.

DOES NOT WANT STATEHOOD

Senators Argue Why Undesirable to Admit Territories.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Senator Beveridge, chairman of the senate committee on territories today presented a report of the majority of the committee against the omnibus bill for the admission of Oklahoma, Arizona and New Mexico as states, and in support of the substitute bill for admission of one state to embrace Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

The admission of New Mexico and Arizona is opposed on the ground that the population of both territories is sparse and insufficient in numbers, that the vast majority of the people of New Mexico are of Spanish descent and speak the Spanish language only; that many people of both territories do not understand American institutions. The assertion is made that many of the people do not want statehood.

Senator Quay presented an individual report in favor of the omnibus statehood bill. He says the republican national convention in 1900 adopted a resolution favoring the early admission to statehood of New Mexico, Arizona and Oklahoma.

CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

Senator Mark Hanna Is Re-elected President of the Organization.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The annual conference of the industrial department of the National Civic federation which has been in session for three days, was brought to a close today.

The final subject of discussion was "Industrial agreements." The following officers were elected: Senator M. A. Hanna, chairman; Oscar S. Strays, first vice-president; Samuel Gompers, second vice-president; Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer; Ralph M. Easley, general secretary. It was also decided that the conference will hold semi-annual meetings hereafter, and local organizations shall be established in all larger cities for the purpose of carrying on the educational work of the conference.

FAVORS CHINESE LABOR

Manila Merchant Speaks on Philippine Conditions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—A number of representatives of labor organizations and several city officials gathered at a meeting in the mayor's office to meet Brewster Cameron, a merchant of Manila and commercial delegate to the United States congress, who arrived on the Doric last week. Cameron represents the allied chambers of commerce of the Philippine islands and presented evidence of the immediate necessity for Philippine legislation on labor, currency, tariff, land laws and railroads. He addressed his hearers on the need

of skilled labor that can live in the tropics and said that such labor is a choice between the Chinese and the Japanese. The Japanese would remain and forever compete with the Filipino and the Chinese would agree to return to China, which should operate in favor of selecting Chinese for the work. "He said: "There is an unwritten statute excluding Chinese from engaging in Philippine agriculture and therefore the Chinese skilled labor, which it is desired to import, will never enter into competition with the farmers and producers of the United States."

LABOR SERVES INJUNCTION ON ORGANIZED CAPITAL

Case of Vital Interest to Two Chief Phases of American Life Will be Settled in the Courts of New Jersey.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The Mineola glass strike, after many months has resulted, a dispatch to the Tribune from Vineland, N. J., says, in an unprecedented application by labor for an injunction against a corporation, the hearing of argument on which, before the Vice-Chancellor Grey at Camden, will because of its vital and general importance to capital and labor, attract the attention of every large employer and labor organization in the country.

For the first time in the history of jurisprudence the great question whether or not organized labor has the same legal standing with organized capital has been brought before the courts by the granting of an order by Vice-Chancellor Grey requiring the Jonas Glass company of Mineola to show cause why an injunction should not be issued restraining it from interfering with the legitimate business of the strikers.

For the first time in the history of litigation affecting capital and labor, a trades union has set up in the courts "the right to combine" to assist strikers and asks the court for protection against the Jonas Glass company, which it alleges, not only interferes with its legal right to persuade, but by force of arms, intimidation, threats, beats and attempts to drive the officers and members of the Glass union from Mineola.

TOUR MAY BE ABANDONED

Troubles of Pietro Mascagni Have About Become Intolerable.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Pietro Mascagni has reached another crisis here, says a dispatch to the Times from Syracuse, N. Y. At the end of the performance at the Wieting Opera house the musicians demanded their salaries, and threatened to return to New York unless paid.

Mascagni said if he paid them he would have but \$89 left which would not carry the company to Toronto. The entire party is staying here, hoping some money may be obtained from Mascagni's partner at Scranton.

If this is not done, the tour may be abandoned again.

COLORED FEDERAL APPOINTEE

Thomas Fortune of New York Enroute for Island Possessions.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—Thomas Fortune, the distinguished colored man who has been leader in measures which have tended in the advancement of the negro race, is in this city enroute to the island possessions of this government, commissioned by President Roosevelt for a term of six months. Just what Fortune is to do on this errand is confidential, but it is generally understood that he goes to study race and labor problems.

HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN

Institution to Be Headed by the Assistant of Prof. Lorenz.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 10.—Doctor Frederick Mueller, assistant to Professor Adolph Lorenz, the famous Austrian surgeon who is visiting this city today confirmed the reports from Chicago that an orthopedic hospital is to be established in this country and that he (Mueller) would be at the head of the institution.

Professor Lorenz was asked if the hospital was to be endowed by Mr. Armour of Chicago, who brought the eminent surgeon here to treat his daughter. In reply, Professor Lorenz said: "If we make the little ones walk their parents will see that our hospital does not suffer for support."

ART TREASURES BURNED

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—William Legendre's art and literary collection were burned in the fire that destroyed his house at Mount Kisco. The art objects were to have been a legacy to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Mr. Legendre inherited them from his father, General Charles Legendre, the United States consul at Amoy.

TRAMP MURDERS FOUR PEOPLE

Accepts Shelter and Turns on Benefactors With Hatchet and Gun.

CRIME UNDETECTED FOR DAYS

After Committing the Brutal Assaults Hobo Murderer Robs the House of \$11 and Disappears.

SALINAS, Cal., Dec. 10.—Simon Graves, a prominent farmer, and his wife, together with George Allen, a 14-year-old boy, and George H. Albright, a farmhand, were brutally assaulted by a tramp last Monday night. George Allen and Albright will die. Physicians say that there is little hope for the recovery of Mrs. Graves and that the condition of Mr. Graves is serious.

Monday evening a tramp appeared at Mrs. Graves' door and asked for food and permission to stop in the barn. Graves sent young Allen with him to the barn, the boy carrying a light. When outside the tramp grasped his arm, took the light from him and threw him down, after which he bound and gagged him with ropes. Arming himself with a hatchet the tramp went to the barn and attacked Albright fracturing his skull. The tramp then returned to the boy he had bound and inflicted wounds with the hatchet.

Returning to the house the tramp attacked Graves, who was armed with a revolver. He fired twice at the tramp, missing him both times. The tramp wrenched the pistol from Graves and fired one shot into his breast. When Graves fell the tramp bound him and struck him two heavy blows on the head with the hatchet, rendering him unconscious. Mrs. Graves came to the rescue of her husband and the tramp felled her with a blow from the hatchet and beat her into unconsciousness.

The murderer ransacked the house, securing \$11, and fled. The injured people were not found until today.

HAS FOOTBALL DELIRIUM

Remarkable Mania Developed by University Player in the East.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—G. B. Weschler, who during the past season played left half back on the University of Pennsylvania football team, is in the university hospital in a state of delirium, says a World dispatch from Philadelphia. Weschler was not hurt while playing football in any way which would account for his condition.

Two football players are constantly sitting at his bedside to soothe his mind when he becomes excited and to hold him down when he tries to get up and fight. When delirious he broods over football until he rises up and tries to play "the game on the hospital floor. The doctors diagnose his case as acute mania, but are much puzzled to account for it. His temperature is normal.

SPINE CURVATURE REMEDIED

A Remarkable Operation Undergone That Seems to Be Successful.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—In order to remedy a growing curvature of the spine, Seth Williams of Brooklyn recently submitted to a rare and dangerous operation at the Polyclinic hospital in Manhattan. The vertebrae were fractured and forced together by a system of weights. When they had been properly straightened the young man was placed in a four-inch plaster cast. This was taken off several days ago and a thinner one substituted. Mr. Williams is now recovering at Summit, N. J.

TWO DAYS OF GRACE

Forty-Eight Hours Allowed Venezuela to Accede.

CARACAS, Dec. 10.—It is said on good authority that the captain of the British cruiser Retribution sent a special courier from La Guayra to Caracas with an ultimatum for compliance with the note deposited yesterday by the British and German ministers at the home of the foreign minister before their departure for Caracas. It is said the ultimatum gives a maximum of 48 hours in which Venezuela is to accede. The note, it is said, requests the immediate cash payment of \$24,000 each to Great Britain and Germany for the settlement of claims arising from past revolutions by a mixed tribunal, the same as the last agreement made with France. It is also said that the British minister at the last moment failed to present claims, except for \$10,000, but his claim is not duly supported by legal documents and facts and is considered absurd. It is understood here that the United States minister, Mr. Bowen, has assumed charge of British and German interests.

VIOLENT ACTION BY TWO POWERS

Seize All Venezuelan War Vessels Without a Shot Being Fired.

COMBINED FLEETS REMOVE WARSHIPS FROM HARBOR

When Action of the Powers Becomes Generally Known Great Excitement is Looked for.

CARACAS, Dec. 10.—At 4 o'clock this afternoon the combined German and British fleets seized and towed outside the harbor of La Guayra all the vessels which were then there. These were the warships General Crespo, Toluca, Osuna and Margarita. The ships were manned by 300 men.

The news of the capture of the warships is not yet generally known in the capital. Great excitement will undoubtedly prevail when it is announced.

CLIFORNIA'S GOVERNOR-ELECT AND PORTLAND EXPOSITION

Legislature Will Be Called Upon to Appropriates for Benefits of Display of State Products.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—John F. Knapp, special commissioner for the Lewis and Clark centennial exposition, which is to be held in Portland, Or., from May 1 to October 1, 1903, is here and has had a long interview with Governor-elect Pardee, who expressed much interest in the project. It is hoped that the legislature may be induced to make an appropriation for a display of California products at the exposition.

WITHDRAW FROM LEAGUE

Portland and Seattle Will Join Pacific Coast Teams.

PORTLAND, Dec. 10.—The Portland and Seattle baseball clubs have withdrawn from the Northwest league and will join the Pacific Coast league with San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento and Los Angeles.

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SHIPS ARE SUNK IN THE SEA

Dramatic Release of Two Englishmen From Barricaded House by British Soldiers.

LA GUARA, Venezuela, Dec. 10.—Ten German and four British cutters captured the Venezuelan fleet yesterday. They went alongside the Venezuelan vessels and ordered them to surrender and without a shot being fired the British and German forces seized the vessels in the name of the German emperor and the king of England. Two of the five vessels which were undergoing repairs were broken up. The German cruiser Panther steamed into the harbor during these proceedings with her decks cleared for action.

The Venezuelan vessels were taken outside the harbor and at 2 o'clock this morning the Generals Crespo, Tuluca and Margarita were sunk. The Osuna was the only vessel spared, in view of the protest made by the French charge d'affaires who notified the commanders of the allied fleet that the Osuna is the property of a Frenchman.

At 10:30 last night 130 German sailors were landed and proceeded to Cardonel, a suburb of La Guayra in which is situated the residence of the German consul, who, with his family were escorted to La Guayra and placed on board the warship Vietta. On their way back to this port.

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