



## YESTERDAY AND TODAY

### Ideals of Washington and Present Aims.

### STABLE VIRTUES FAIL

### Cleveland Makes Comparison Not Flattering to Present.

### ON WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY

### Glance at the Civic Ideals Held by the Father of His Country and a Comparison With the Conditions of Today.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Ex-President Grover Cleveland delivered an address at the Union League Club this afternoon, in which he lauded the many virtues of George Washington in America.

Mr. Cleveland said: On this day, the Union League Club of Chicago especially rejoice in the consciousness of patriotic accomplishment; and on this day of all others, every one of its members should regard his membership as a badge of honor. Whatever else the organization may have done, it has justified its existence and earned the applause of those whose love of Country is still unclouded by the work it has done for the deliverance of Washington's Birthday from neglect or indolent remembrance.

In furtherance of the high endeavor of your organization, it would have been impossible to select for observance and other civic holiday having as broad and fitting a significance as this. It memorializes the birth of one whose glorious deeds are transcendently above all others recorded in our national annals; and in memorializing the birth of Washington it commemorates the incarnation of all the virtues and all the ideals that made our nationality possible and gave it promise of growth and strength. It is a holiday that belongs exclusively to the American people. All that Washington did was bound up in our national destiny. The battles he fought were fought for American liberty, and the victories he won gave us national independence. His example of unselfish consecration and lofty patriotism made manifest as in an open book that those virtues were conditions not more vital to our nation's beginning than to its development and durability. His faith in God, and the fortitude of his faith, taught those for whom he wrought, that the surest strength of nations comes from the support of God's almighty arm. His universal and unaffected sympathy with those in every sphere of American life, his thorough knowledge of existing American conditions and his wonderful foresight of those yet to be, coupled with his powerful influence in the counsels of those who were to make or mar the fate of an infant nation, made him a tremendous factor in the construction and adoption of the constitutional chart by which the course of the newly launched republic could be safely sailed. And it was he who first took the helm and demonstrated for the guidance of all who might succeed him, how, and in what spirit and intent, the responsibilities of one chief magistracy should be discharged.

If your observance of this day were intended to make more secure the immortal fame of Washington, or to add to the strength and beauty of his imperishable monument built upon a nation's

affectionate remembrance, your purpose would be useless. Washington has no need of you. But in every moment from the time he drew his sword in the cause of American independence to this hour, living or dead, the American people have needed him. It is not important now, nor will it be in all the coming years, to remind our Countrymen that Washington has lived and that his achievements in his Country's service are above all praise. But it is important—and more important now than ever before—that they should clearly apprehend and adequately value the virtues and ideals of which he was the embodiment, and should realize how essential to our safety and perpetuity, are the consecration and patriotism which he exemplified. The American people need today the example and teachings of Washington no less than those who fashioned our nation needed his labors and guidance.

Three months before his inauguration as first President of the Republic which he had done so much to create, Washington wrote a letter to Lafayette, his warm friend and revolutionary ally, in which he expressed his unremitting desire to establish a general system of policy which if pursued would ensure permanent felicity to the Commonwealth, and he added these words:

"I think I see a path as clear and as direct as a ray of light, which leads to the attainment of that object. Nothing but harmony, honesty, industry a great and happy people. Happily and frugality, are necessary to make us the present posture of affairs and the prevailing disposition of my Countrymen, promise to cooperate in establishing these four great and essential pillars of public felicity."

Such considerations as these suggest the thought that this is a time for honest self-examination. The question pressed upon us with a demand for reply that will not be denied: "Who (Continued on Page 8.)"

## RESTRICT AGENTS

### House Limits Power of Special Men of Interior Department.

### PRESIDENT IS CRITICISED

### Roosevelt's Orders Regarding Final Proof of Homesteads Declared to Work Unnecessary Hardships Upon Settlers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—House Committee of the whole placed itself squarely on record in favor of limiting the power of special agents of the Department of the Interior by a vote restricting the use of the appropriation of \$250,000 covered by the Sundry Civil Appropriation bill to pay the salaries of such agents. The action was taken after long debate, during which the work of special agents was severely condemned and the orders of the President regarding the final proof of homesteads was criticised, as working unnecessary hardships upon settlers.

Clark, of Florida, offered a resolution calling upon the Secretary of War for a statement as to the cost of the Philippines since the acquisition by the United States but this was defeated 165 to 105. Clark severely criticised taking over of the Philippines and declared that the Spanish war was unnecessary. A resolution favorably reported by the House Committee as interstate and foreign commerce to the port by the House Committee and foreign commerce was adopted that provides that the Secretary of Commerce and Labor shall report to the House what information his department has as to the control of coast-wise steamship lines by railroads.

### NEGOTIATE OFFICE LOANS.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 22.—A coffee loan of \$25,000,000 it is learned here, has been negotiated by the government through the Schroeder Banking House of London.

## GORDIAN KNOT CUT

### The Conference Committee Ends Normal Fight.

### RETAINS TWO SCHOOLS

### Other Two Given Sufficient to Last Until End of the Semester.

### PORTAGE ROAD BILL KILLED

### House Kills Off Bills Quickly And by Refusing New Measures May Get Through on Time—Senate Refuses to Postpone Gambling Bill.

### Gordian Knot Cut

SALEM, Or., Feb. 22.—The conference committee of the House and Senate on normal schools agreed to retain Weston and Ashland and that Moomouth and Drain be given sufficient appropriation to support them until the end of the present school year. It made this report this afternoon.

The Senate refused to indefinitely postpone the bill prohibiting all forms of gambling this afternoon, notwithstanding the adverse report of the revision of laws committee.

The House, at noon today, had 42 Senate bills left for final action, and including the night session tonight, has about eight working hours to finish consideration of these and such other business as may be necessary. By quickly killing off a considerable percentage of the bills left and refusing all new business, the House will get through in good time and be ready to adjourn at noon tomorrow.

After being passed, reconsidered, laid on the table and generally made a political football in the House, S. B. No. 90 was finally killed by the House this morning. This was the bill appropriating \$60,000 for the extension of the portage road from its present terminus at the Big Eddy to The Dalles, and was favored by Eastern Oregon and the shippers of the country tributary to the O. R. & N. It was taken from the table this morning, on motion of Chapin, and put on its final passage. Twenty-five voted against the bill and a number were absent. Driscoll, Coffey and Burns, of the Multnomah delegation voted against it.

### MISTREAT BRITISH CREW.

### Uruguayan Gunboat Captures Men and Places Them in Prison.

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 22.—Four members of the crew of the sealing schooner Gertrude, who were lost in a fog and seized by a Uruguayan gunboat have returned to Halifax and a letter has been received from one of them describing the cruel treatment accorded them in South America. The four were William Ryan, brother of Captain Matt Ryan of this city; Harry Schrieder, John M. Artney and J. W. Keating, of Halifax. They were picked up in an Uruguayan gunboat and were held as prisoners for thirty days during which time they were placed in half a dozen jails and received vile treatment. After being taken on board the gunboat they were taken to Paloma, a coast port to the north of Montevideo on the Uruguayan coast. From Paloma they were hauled across the country in carts to a place called Rocha and thrown into prison,

thence they were carted to Montevideo and jailed amongst criminals of all kinds.

There was six inches of water on the floor and for cell mates the sealers had a murderer, a Spaniard, who had killed 12 people. After 40 days imprisonment they were released and reached Halifax via Liverpool.

### THREATEN COURT.

### Spanish Anarchists Try to Save Life of Would be Assassin.

MADRID, Feb. 22.—The campaign of the anarchists to save Senor Ferrer, director of the modern school of Anarchists at Barcelona, who is accused of having aided Morale, the man who tried to kill King Alfonso and Queen Victoria on their wedding day, has got to the threatening stage, as the date of Ferrer's trial approaches. The public prosecutor, the judge and some of the ministers have received letters threatening them with death if Ferrer is convicted. This campaign of violence is being vigorously combated by the police who have taken measures to protect those threatened.

Ferrer thus far has been unable to secure an advocate to defend him. The trial will begin on April 1st.

### GOVERNMENT RECLAIMS LAND.

VICTORIA, Feb. 22.—The British Columbia government gives notice officially in last night's gazette that all Indian reserves alienated in any manner from their original use by sale or otherwise are claimed by the provincial government and reserved for pre-emption, purchase or lease. This means a formal claim on the part of the province of British Columbia to the 13,000 acres on the Simpson reserve that the Indians through the Dominion government sold to the G. T. P. railway adjoining the lands granted by the Province of a railway terminus at Prince Rupert.

## DELMAS IS PREPARED

### Defense Will Place Damaging Disclosures in New Light.

### SURPRISES ARE EXPECTED

### Mrs. Thaw Almost Unnerved by Grilling at Hand of Jerome—Prisoner Greets Wife Affectionately Praising Her Bravery—Conference at Tombs.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Almost undone by the drilling of yesterday, late today when Mrs. Thaw visited her husband at the Tombs, the latter greeted his wife affectionately speaking of her as "My dear, brave little wife." She was accompanied to the prison by attorney O'Reilly and the three were in deep conference for some time. The cross examination is only half completed but it is expected when the time comes for Evelyn to take her place in the witness chair she will be physically prepared for anything that Jerome may have in his ammunition bag to fire at her. Whether Delmas will proceed with the redirect examination as soon as the direct cross examination is concluded has not been decided. He may release her subject to recall. He has fortified himself with copious notes of the cross examination and is expected to be ready to place a different light upon many of the incidents which were disclosed under Jerome's grilling examination. It is expected that the 42 letters identified by Evelyn as written by White to another girl ma. contain elements of surprise and offer a new lead to astounding testimony already presented.

### LINCOLN'S FRIEND DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—William Foster, Jr., a personal friend of President Lincoln and one of the builders of the Sixth and Second Avenue elevated railroads, died of old age last night, at his home here; he was 83 years old.

## ELEVEN ARE RESCUED

### Three Persons Still on the Wreck of the Berlin.

### BRAVERY OF DUTCHMEN

### Only Persistent and Fearless Work Saved Lives of Passengers.

### PRINCE CONSORT LENDS AID

### Rescue Due Largely to Courage and Determination of Prince Henry of the Netherlands—Efforts to Save Not Yet Ended.

ROCK OF HOLLAND, Feb. 22.—Largely as a result of the courage and determination displayed by Prince Henry of the Netherlands, the Prince consort, that which last night appeared to be an impossible task has been achieved and the heroic and unflinching efforts of the Dutch lifeboat men have at last succeeded in rescuing alive eleven more of the survivors of the ill-fated Berlin. The gallant Dutch lifeboats were thus rewarded after more than thirty hours of hard and dangerous work. Buffeted and driven back time after time they refused to relax their attempts to rescue the handful of shipwrecked people, and finally at 3:30 this afternoon with a receding tide and some improvement in the weather their long fight was crowned with success. Two women and a child are still on the wreck and it is feared that they are dying. Nothing daunted the brave Dutchmen are making desperate efforts to reach the unfortunates.

### RELEASED ON BAIL.

### Woman Accused of Murdering Her Mother Spends Night at Home.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Mrs. Lottie Wallau, who has been charged with poisoning her mother, Mrs. Ida Bingo, spent the night at her home, having been released from prison under a bond of \$50,000. Her release on bail was accomplished with the consent of the district attorney who caused her arrest after the coroner had set her free. The judge now has the case under consideration and Mrs. Wallau's eventual fate rests with that body. Should the grand jury fail to indict it is probable that Mrs. Wallau will be discharged at a police court hearing which has been set for February 28.

### CREATE SCANDAL.

### Opposition Newspapers Claim Wrecked Cruiser Was Not Seaworthy.

PARIS, Feb. 22.—The opposition newspapers are trying to create a scandal out of the loss of the French cruiser Jeanne Bart, which they claim was notoriously unfit to go to sea. It is asserted that she broke down three times before reaching the Canary Islands and was forced to stay four days at Las Palmas, in order to repair her boilers. The cruiser was on her way to the West Indies, first touching at Dakar in order to land a scientific party, when she was wrecked.

### ISSUES WRIT.

### Circuit Court of Appeals Takes Action in Case of S. R. Price.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—The United States Circuit Court of Appeals issued a writ of habeas corpus yesterday

in the case of S. R. Price, in prison at Shanghai. Price was convicted on January 15 by Judge Wilfry of the United States Court for China at Shanghai, of assault with a deadly weapon and sentenced to six months in jail. An appeal to the United States Circuit Court of Appeals was granted but Judge Wilfry refused to admit Price to bail, pending the appeal. The clerk of the court also refused to send the court of Appeals a transcript of the papers in the case. Price's counsel in China put the matter into the hands of local attorneys. Yesterday the Circuit Court of Appeals issued an order that the Shanghai Court admit Price to bail on the proper securities being furnished, the bail being fixed at \$4,000. The court was ordered to forward a transcript of the papers in the case.

### HONORED WASHINGTON.

TOKIO, Feb. 22.—The reception held today at the American embassy in honor of Washington's birthday, was one of the most prominent and successful social functions ever held here. There was a very large attendance of Americans from Yokohama and Tokio. Distinguished Japanese were also present.

### PICKED UP FORTUNE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Sutro Brothers & Co., the stock exchange house, which yesterday reported the loss of stocks valued at \$175,000 by one of its messengers, has recovered the securities intact. A man whose name is not given picked up the package of stocks on Pine Street and restored them to the brokers.

### VISIT UNOFFICIAL.

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—King Edward has written to Emperor William, saying that his recent visit to Paris was purely of a private nature.

## MAN OF THE HOUR

### How George Washington Rose to the Height of His Power.

### BORN AT OPPORTUNE TIME

### Governor Names Higgins of Rhode Island Gives Very Conservative Estimate of Washington's Abilities—Speaker Burchard Differs

PROVIDENCE, R. I. Feb. 22.—Governor Marnes Higgins addressed a joint session of the legislature to-day on "Washington and His Times." He referred to Washington's great abilities as a leader, and said he had been born at an opportune time and that he seized his opportunities at the right time. "It would be unfair to compare him as a statesman with Benton, Clay, Sumner. As a soldier he is surpassed by Napoleon, Caesar and Alexander. Even in our country his ability on the fields of battle perhaps did not approach the masterly strategic powers of Lee, Sheridan, and Grant. Speaker Burchard criticised Higgins on the trifling points he has seen fit to produce" and claimed that it was a mistake to think Washington was not prominent as a strategist.

### PHILIPPINES EXCLUDE CHINESE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Secretary Taft and the Chinese Minister had a conference yesterday afternoon respecting the application of the Chinese exclusion laws to the Philippines. It has been determined that the commission shall follow the law as in this country and exclude the Chinese from the islands on the ground of immorality.

### A GLYCYONE VICTORY.

MARYSVILLE, Cal., Feb. 22.—Cyclone Thompson knocked out Rufe Turner in the eleventh round today.