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## COXEY'S ARMY SMALL

When It Comes to Actual Marching It's Different.

### THE HEATH MURDER TRIAL

The Defense Says Mrs. Palmer's Testimony Was the Hallucination of a Dying Woman.

#### Coxey's Army Is Small.

MAXIMO, O., March 27.—Coxey's army, which left Louisville at 9, arrived here at 10. It has 143 men by actual count in line. It is expected the command will arrive at Alliance early this afternoon. There Coxey will take the train for Chicago, to sell some horses. He expects to be absent two days.

#### ARRIVED AT ALLIANCE.

ALLIANCE, O., March 27.—Coxey's army arrived at 1 p. m. The streets were crowded with people to get a glimpse of the famous "good-road" leader and his followers. The army went into camp in Rock Hill Park. It is said 100 joined Coxey here. A woman who claimed to be the wife of an unknown marshal of the army left for Cleveland last night.

#### The Heath Murder Trial.

FRESNO, Cal., March 27.—At the opening of the Heath trial this morning W. D. Tupper made the opening statement for the defense, setting up what line of testimony would be followed. Nothing sensational was promised. It will be shown that Heath was friendly to McWhirter and on two occasions has thrashed men who spoke evil of McWhirter. There was a promised sweeping contradiction and impeachment of the prosecution's witnesses. An alibi was promised for R. B. Terry. Mr. Tupper said that the testimony given yesterday by Mrs. Palmer was only the hallucination of a dying woman too near the grave to know what she was talking about. Not much stress will be laid on the suicide theory, but Mr. Tupper promised that enough evidence would be introduced on that line to raise a doubt in the mind of the jurors. Twenty-eight witnesses for the prosecution were named by Tupper, who would be shown to have sworn to falsehoods.

#### Will Enlarge the Pension Roll.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Assistant Secretary of the Interior Reynolds rendered a decision today which will greatly enlarge the pension roll. It will admit to pensions a large number of insane, idiotic and permanently helpless minor children of deceased soldiers, where pensions of the former had ceased by children attending the age of 16 years prior to the act of June 27, 1890, the decision holding that the act of 1890 has the effect of restoring these dependent persons to the rolls during life, or a continuance of disability.

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### A NEW ELDORADO.

Description of the Placer Gold Fields of Southern Virginia.

Under these headlines the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, in its issue of March 5th, contained the following special telegraphic account of a recent discovery of gold near Keysville, Virginia.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 4.—Col. Pat Donan today told an interested group of listeners some wonderful stories of a recent gold discovery not far from Washington.

"I have just returned," he said, "from an examination of one of the most remarkable deposits of placer gold I have ever seen, and as you all know, I have had some mining experience in nearly every region from British Columbia to Honduras and Peru. Think of a whole Virginia farm literally sparkling with gold—nuggets, scales and grains of gold scattered everywhere. Every shovelful of dirt dug on the place, from the grass roots down, yielded gold, glittering, yellow gold! Gold washed out in old dishes and all sorts of odd utensils, and thrown out by wagon wheels in the roadways! All that, and more, I have just seen!"

The place is within six or eight hours' run of Washington, on the Richmond and Danville railroad, about a mile and a half from Keysville, Charlotte county, Virginia, it being the farm of a man named Clifford.

"Mr. Clifford is a man well on in years, a Christian man, highly esteemed by everybody in the region. He received us with old-fashioned southern hospitality, and though the weather was stormy showed us all over his land. The finding of several nuggets along the little creek that runs through his place led to his discovery of gold about two years ago. Since that time he has supported himself and family by occasionally digging and washing our small quantities of the dirt. His mining implements are a spade and a small ordinary dishpan. He has often washed \$1 out of a single pan, and has found many nuggets running from the size of a pinhead or a small pea to the size of a man's finger-end, and worth \$1 to \$20 each. Mrs. Clifford, a pleasant-faced, white-haired lady, showed us a large iron kitchen spoon, with which she has frequently dug and washed out along the creek bed from 50 cents to \$1 in a morning. The old gentleman said: 'I have never washed a pan of dirt on the place that did not yield gold.' Venerable and truthful as he looked, this struck me as impossible. Mr. Jones promptly dug a panful of earth from a hillside just back of the house and, though entirely without mining experience, he washed it and got two or three grains of gold. Four more panfuls, that he dug out in different places, yielded over a quarter of an ounce of black sand and gold dust, including one tiny nugget that weighed nearly two grains. The old gentlemen brought out a rusty sheet-iron scoop shovel containing \$50.00 or \$60.00 in nuggets and coarse grain gold that he had recently washed. Then, in stumbling about, we found an outcropping vein of quartz, which explained where the placer came from. Some pieces of this surface rock which we broke off assayed \$19.60 in free gold to the ton.

"The party dug all over the farm, a shovelful here and a shovelful there; in old corn fields and tobacco patches that have been in cultivation for forty years; in meadows and grass lots, in the old kitchen garden, in the woods, on the hillsides and on the creek banks—and they found gold in every pan and spadeful of earth they washed. From all indications it is one of the biggest gold finds of the last twenty years, and promises to become another bonanza. The veins have been clearly traced for four miles, and there is every reason to believe that the placer field extends far beyond the limits of the Clifford farm." Thus talks Col. Pat. Donan, of Astoria fame.

The Keystone Progress believes that the discovery will create a big boom about Keysville, and would not be surprised to see another Deadwood or Leadville rise as if by magic among the piney woods of Southern Virginia.

#### American Footgear.

American workmen are more lightly shod on the average than those of Europe, and nothing excites more scorn and astonishment in this country than the heavy boots and shoes brought over by immigrants. Shoes thickly stuffed with hob-nails last perhaps three times as long as the lighter footgear, but the American workman would feel himself clogged and hampered by such footweights. The immigrant quickly learns that with such a handicap he cannot compete with the spry American, and he adopts the footwear of the country perhaps before his heavy imported boots are worn out.

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### NEWS NOTES.

Prendergast, the murderer of Mayor Harrison, can stand it to have death sentence passed upon him, but when a fellow prisoner wrote a parody on "After the Ball," and made him listen to it, it was too much, so he started in to whip the other fellow and succeeded in smashing his nose.

The smallest baby yet reported was born March 4th in Killinsworth, Connecticut. The parents are Swedes, the father weighing about 190 pounds and the mother is a stout, healthy woman. The child is a boy, perfectly formed, and at its birth weighed only eight ounces. Its face is about the size of a horse chestnut. The ring worn on the little finger of its mother was slipped over its foot nearly up to the knee.

#### The President Hesitates.

The president may intend to veto the seigniorage bill, but it is evident that he is in no hurry to get at it. We are of opinion that he will veto the bill, for it would be a wonderful manifestation of inconsistency if he didn't. Yet he hesitates for very good reasons. He may be likened to an executive whose official duty requires him to sign a death warrant, or to a sheriff upon whom the law devolves the disagreeable task of springing the trap that hurls a soul into eternity. It is a very solemn piece of business that Mr. Cleveland has in hand, and is fraught with results that will affect American politics long after he has passed from the stage of action. He is about to become the executioner of the party which has twice honored him with the presidency—a party that has survived every shock of adversity from the beginning of the government down to the present time, and which has always been the bulwark of popular government. It is a very serious matter to destroy such a party as that, and particularly under such circumstances. It is no wonder the president hesitates and postpones action until the last hour. Yet he realizes that if he does not veto the bill he will be all of his past professions and will be a traitor to the gold power which bought his nomination. It is a sad plight for a president to be in, but he is there and will have to make the most of it. He is in the position described by the poet: "He will be damned if he does, and will be damned if he doesn't." There is condemnation awaiting him whether he signs or vetoes the bill.—Telegram.

#### THE "AUDISON."

An Invention to Bring About a Needed Reform in Telegraphy.

At a competitive trial of skill between the telegraph operators absurdly called a tournament, which took place recently, one of the most interesting features was a test of the capacity of a receiving machine technically known as the "Audison"—a small instrument fitted to the head of the operator, giving a sound which, although perfectly distinct to him, is wholly inaudible to anyone else. It is high time, says the Engineering Magazine, that the use of a receiving instrument of this character became general in the telegraph service.

Under the present condition of affairs it is almost literally true that he who runs may read. Hundreds of telegraphic stations in hotels, railroad depots and other equally public places are equipped with noisy sounders, enabling every message that goes over the wire, to or from that or any other station, to be read by any person within hearing who is able to do so. There is not the slightest attempt to preserve the secrecy of communication, which ought to be one of the all-important requirements of the service. There are thousands of ex-operators and other persons in the community who can read these signals as easily as they could read a bulletin board, and there is obviously nothing whatever to prevent any one of them from obtaining information of other persons' business or personal matters in this way and using it to their own advantage. It is a state of affairs which calls loudly for immediate reform.

FRENCH cashmere, as shown this season, displays very beautiful designs of groups of flowers, such as violets, lilacs, morning glories, pansies and daisies. This material makes up very prettily for girls and is much made use of, as also is crepon, with or without a figure, and camel's hair, both plain and figured.

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#### DEFECTS IN CAR TRUCKS.

One Serious Difficulty Is Found Where the Tracks Are Curved.

"The degree of perfection attained in mechanical production is wonderful," said a mechanic to a writer for the Pittsburgh Dispatch. "In almost every line of mechanical inventions you see faults and difficulties overcome which make it seem nearly impossible to advance further. Viewed in this light, the imperfections in the construction of our railroad car trucks are strangely inconsistent, for they are palpably at variance with our high attainment in mechanical construction. I refer to the custom, which has never been improved upon since railroading began, of using wheels securely fastened to rigid axles. It would seem that, on such an all-important matter as this, some improvements would be made, but there has been none. The running gear of cars, as now constructed, is only adapted for use on straight tracks. But, as there must be curves on roads, the trucks are simply forced around them. It is said that it requires one-third more motive power to carry a train around an ordinary curve than on a straight track. This is due to the strain to which the wheels are subjected. In making a curve the outside track is longer than the inside one. Now, with a wheel on each track and fastened immovably to the axle, both wheels must make the same number of revolutions. In rounding a curve how is the inside wheel, which has a much shorter distance to travel, to make an equal number of revolutions with the outside wheel? It is done in this way: The inside wheel slips upon the inner or shorter rail, while the outside one covers the longer distance. At the same time the inclination of the track required in making curves throws most of the load upon the wheel that is slipping, causing a great strain upon both wheel and axle. It has been computed that this strain is equal to double that of the rolling pressure on a straight track. To meet this the axle is made much thicker between the wheels than at the journals, where all the weight of the car and load is carried. Though it has been long coming I think the day will finally dawn when these defects in car trucks will be overcome.

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