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GRESHAM MAY RESIGN

Rumors of a Possible Cabinet Vacancy.

WILL RESUME HIS POSITION

Cares of the Office Weigh Heavily Upon Him, and He Will Take a Much-Needed Rest.

New York, April 2.—A morning paper has the following special from Washington: Another vacancy in the cabinet, it is rumored, may occur within the next few weeks. Secretary Gresham is the official who is slated for voluntary retirement. The report comes from several of his close friends to whom, it is said, he has more than once expressed his desire to return to the practice of law, if not to the bench. Judge Gresham, it is stated, has not found the state department as congenial to his tastes as he had expected, and Mrs. Gresham has not been altogether pleased with the breaking of home ties made necessary by her removal to Washington. Both the secretary and his wife have told intimate acquaintances of their mutual desire to return to Illinois.

The rumor of Mr. Gresham's retirement, however, is not based alone on these exchanges of confidence, but on more direct statements regarding his intentions within the near future. Judge Gresham's relations with the president have been, so far as known, of the pleasantest. No member of the cabinet has been more trusted by Mr. Cleveland, so that his desire for retirement from office in the near future cannot be ascribed to any friction with his chief. It is hinted, however, that Judge Gresham has felt somewhat aggrieved over the disinclination of the cabinet to support him in the vigorous foreign policy which he believes would win for him great popularity, and possibly make him a favorite for the presidency. It may be that extinguished hopes in this direction have had a strong influence on him in reaching the conclusion that he would prefer to retire, but this idea is scouted by his friends, who assert that Judge Gresham has not been moved by any such considerations. They say that he has simply consulted his wife's pleasure and his own tastes in concluding to leave Washington within a short time.

Gresham's Friends Say He Will Not Leave the Cabinet.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—A vigorous denial is made in administration circles of the story that Secretary Gresham is about to resign. The secretary himself will not be interviewed, not caring to dignify the report by a denial. It is a fact that the secretary has been in ill-health for some time, and a recent attack of neuralgia of the stomach left him much debilitated. He has been unable to secure a rest in Washington owing to the frequency with which delicate and embarrassing diplomatic questions have been forced upon him, and it is probable he will yield to the solicitations of his family and friends so far as to take a short leave of absence and go to his farm in Indiana, and, perhaps, stop for a time in Chicago.

Going to Lakewood.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Gresham will shortly go to Lakewood, N. J., to recuperate from the effects of the grippe, which he suffered during the winter, and which has left him too weak to stand the strain resulting from the diplomatic incidents which have recently arisen.

A Girl Evangelist's Story.

MILLESBURG, Ky., April 2.—The great revival that has swept eastern Kentucky had among its most successful evangelists a pale but very bright girl. She is

filling the largest churches here, and the story of her life is far from ordinary. Her name is Mollie Meriman, a daughter of D. H. Meriman, a circuit-rider in the M. E. church, south.

When 3 years old an attack of scarlet fever left her apparently dead. She was prepared for the grave and the coffin had been lowered, when the frantic mother refused to be quieted until she saw her baby once more. When the coffin was opened, the physician, who was present, noticed something unusual in the appearance of the supposed corpse. It was taken out and found to be alive. But never afterwards was the girl free a day from violent pain. Scrofula existed in its most repulsive form for years. When she was 16 scarlet fever again attacked her, and she once more apparently died and would have been buried but for the mother. After six days she was resuscitated.

At the age of 18 she was thrown from a carriage and sustained a sprained ankle, when she went into convulsions. She sometimes had as many as 150 in a single day. While in this condition she was taken ill with congestion of the lungs, and from May to August was unconscious. The first day that she was able to walk she fell and threw the sprained ankle back into place, and then felt that she must preach the gospel. Since last September 1000 persons have been converted through her efforts. Her height is just 4 feet ten inches, and she weighs 72 pounds. She holds as many as four services a day, traveling 60 miles on horseback and talking again at night.

The War in Manchuria.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—Advices have been received by the steamer Rio Janeiro, from the Associated Press correspondent at Tokio, under date of March 17, as follows:

The plan of the latest campaign in Manchuria is now clearly explained, though few important facts are added to those previously reported. For the first time since the capture of Ping-Yang, the movements of the Japanese troops are directed by a soldier skilled in the science of modern warfare; and the same leader that won the earliest of the series of victories now conducts the operation in the valley of the Liao river.

General Nodzu, promoted to the highest grade of the army, assumed control in February of the first division, commanded by Lieutenant-General Yamaji, in addition to his own—the fifth and the third, of which Lieutenant-General Katsura is the chief. His scheme was to divide the attention of the Chinese armies in Manchuria, and keep them as far apart as possible, while he concentrated his forces upon the several points of attack.

Lieutenant-General Yamaji was first ordered to take the field. About 8000 of his division marched from Kaiping on February 24, seized a strong Chinese position some 12 miles southeast of Ying Kow, and by their threatening attitude, prevented General Sung from sending northward any large number of his troops encamped at the mouth of the Liao river.

On February 28 Lieutenant-General Katsura, with 8000 of the third division, started from Hai-Cheng to drive the Manchuria forces of General Ito toward Liao Yang. For two days General Ito retreated in much disorder, and when at a distance of 18 miles from Hai-Cheng, General Katsura suddenly turned and led his men southward again, but by another road, which brought him to Old New Chwang on the 4th of March. Meanwhile, General Nodzu had crossed from Hai-Cheng to New Chwang, in a straight line, at the head of 7000 of the fifth division. A combined assault on the position was made on March 5, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the northern half was in the hands of the Japanese.

Several thousand of the defenders, belonging to the army of General Wu, fled through the southern gates toward Ying Kow and Tien-Chwang-Lei. They would have been followed by the entire body,

had not the line of retreat been blocked by a cavalry regiment. The Chinese were now a disorganized rabble. Apparently unaware that they might save themselves by surrendering, they ran into the houses and kept up a persistent fire upon the Japanese until late at night, when they were brought to submission by blowing up many of the buildings in which they had barricaded themselves. Nearly 2000 were supposed to have been killed and an equal number wounded or taken prisoners.

The spoils were of great value. Thousands of horses were found, more than enough to satisfy the needs of the whole invading army. One foreigner, a missionary, still remained in the city and his safety was duly provided for.

"Perhaps you would not think so, but a very large proportion of the diseases in New York comes from carelessness about catching cold," says Dr. Cyrus Edson. "It is such a simple thing and so common that very few people, unless it is a case of pneumonia, pay any attention to the cold. New York is one of the healthiest places on the Atlantic Coast and yet there are a great many cases of catarrh and consumption which have their origin in this neglect of the simplest precaution of every day life. The most sensible advice is, when you have one get rid of it as soon as possible. By all means do not neglect it." Dr. Edson does not tell you how to cure a cold but we will. It will relieve the lungs, aid expectoration, open the secretions and soon effect a permanent cure. 50 cent bottles for sale by Blakely & Houghton, druggists.

Going to Europe.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Senator Zeballos the Argentine minister, is making farewell calls upon his diplomatic political friends today. Himself and members of his family will leave for New York tomorrow en route for Europe.

Gone to Woodley.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The president's family left the White House today and took up their residence at Woodley, where they were joined by the president later in the afternoon.

Specimen Cases.

S. H. Clifford, New Cassel, Wis., was troubled with neuralgia and rheumatism, his stomach was disordered, his liver was affected to an alarming degree, appetite fell away, and he was terribly reduced in flesh and strength. Three bottles of Electric Bitters cured him.

Edward Shepherd, Harrisburg, Ill., had a running sore on his leg of eight years' standing. Used three bottles of Electric Bitters and seven boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, and his leg is sound and well. John Speaker, Catawba, O., had five large fever sores on his leg, doctors said he was incurable. One bottle Electric Bitters and one box Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him entirely. Sold by Snipes & Kinersly.

A Presidential Pardon.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The president has pardoned John Hopkins, sentenced in Utah to three months in jail and \$500 fine for unlawful cohabitation. The sentence has expired, and the pardon is granted to restore citizenship.

A Household Treasure.

D. W. Fuller, of Canajoharie, N. Y., says that he always keeps Dr. King's New Discovery in the house and his family has always found the very best results follow its use; that he would not be without it, if procurable. G. A. Dykeman Druggist, Catskill, N. Y., says that Dr. King's New Discovery is undoubtedly the best cough remedy; that he has used it in his family for eight years, and it has never failed to do all that is claimed for it. Why not try a remedy so long tried and tested. Trial bottle at Snipes-Kinersly Drug Co.'s Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

A Democratic Mayor.

ATCHISON, Kan., April 2.—T. P. Wagner, democratic candidate for mayor, has been elected by a majority of 500. The republicans elected all other officers.

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