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# THE BUBONIC PLAGUE THREATENS SAN FRANCISCO.

## Effort to Remove Dr. Kenyoun, Federal Health Officer.

## FOUR PLAGUE VICTIMS WERE WHITE

### Officials and the Press of the City Have Endeavored to Prevent the Facts From Becoming Generally Known.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—The Chamber of Commerce has taken action to bring about the removal of Dr. J. J. Kinyoun, the federal quarantine officer at this port, on account of his action in stating that the plague existed in San Francisco. Governor Gage has also protested against the policy of Kinyoun and has been commended by many business men and the Chamber of Commerce for it.

The request will be made of the administration that Dr. Rupert Blue of the marine hospital service who is a brother of Lieutenant Victor Blue of Cuban war fame, be sent to this city to take charge of the quarantine station. Dr. Blue is now on duty at the Great Lakes. He was formerly on duty in this city and was very popular. The steamship companies state that although he was always strict in enforcing the government laws, he was always courteous and did not subject passengers on incoming steamers to any unnecessary inconvenience. The Chinese merchants of the city have protested to the federal courts against the restrictions placed upon Chinese imports by Dr. Kinyoun and are testing his jurisdiction. Dr. Kinyoun is also charged with discourtesy in his treatment of passengers on incoming steamers. This latter complaint will probably be made the ground of his removal. There have been all told, according to the records of the city board of health, 23 cases of bubonic plague in San Francisco, all but three of which have been Chinese. The latest case discovered, December 7 has a significance not met within any other case. It was reported to the health officials by the governor's own inspector, Dr. D. A. Hodghead, who as the physician of the Chinese six companies during the plague scare last spring denied the existence of bubonic plague in San Francisco. An alarming feature of this last case is the fact that four deaths from plague have now occurred in the block in which the victim was discovered, indicating a center of infection, which in spite of precautions covering a considerable length of time has not been wiped out.

**Sure Enough Bubonic Plague.**

That these cases are really plague is certified to by the federal quarantine officials, by the city and county board of health, by the state bacteriologist and by a large number of eminent physicians. Dr. Kinyoun refuses to discuss the matter. He has been roundly abused by the local press who deny the existence of plague and attempt to conceal the fact. Dr. O'Brien, city health officer, states that the plague in San Francisco is not yet epidemic but sporadic. He states that the same conditions existed in Canton, Bombay and other eastern cities, where the dreaded disease was sporadic for three or four years before it became epidemic. The strictest measures are being taken to stamp out the disease before it becomes epidemic. Physicians state that there is little chance of its spread due to the healthful climate and perfect sanitary conditions, existing now in Chinatown as well as the rest of San Francisco.

**Quarantines Established.**

Quarantines have been established against San Francisco by the states of Colorado, Texas and Louisiana, principally because the state board of health have failed to notify other states of the true conditions. Honolulu also threatens quarantine, on the completion of their new disinfectant plant.

## DEATH OF GENERAL SHOU.

### Did Not Want to Live After He Made Grievous Mistakes.

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—Yokohama advices tell of the suicide of Shou-Shan, the Chinese general. When the Russian troops entered the interior of Manchuria they asked General Shou for permission to march through his district. Permission being refused the Russian detachment tried to travel on the Amur, but was at once bombarded by Shou's army. Then came the news of the fall of Shang Cheng. To atone for his errors Shou decided to commit suicide. He wished his wife to share his fate but she stoutly refused, saying that his misery was of his own making, there was no reason why she should suffer death on account of it. His sons took the side of the mother, saying that they would rather remain behind and save the family from extinction. Shou decided to die alone and chose the opium route. He took about 64 drams, but having been habituated to the use of the drug, the potion did not have the expected effect. He then ordered his servant to fire a pistol at him, but the bullet missed the vital part, hitting him in the shoulder, thereupon Shou dressed in his full uniform laid himself down in a coffin and bade his servant fire. The servant declining, Shou's sixth son took his helbird and speared his prostrated father. Shou exclaimed that he was almost dead and bade them nail down the coffin lid. This was done, the dying man uttering feeble groans throughout the night. Next morning the groans had ceased, and Shou was buried.

## CHINESE EMPEROR ACCEPTS.

### A Decree by the Emperor Issued to That Affect Reports Conger.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Minister Conger this morning cables the information that the Chinese emperor has issued a decree accepting the demands of the powers and that Prince Ching will ask for cessation of the military expeditions from Pekin into the surrounding country. It is said this government will join in urging the abandonment of these expeditions.

**Armistice Declared.**

Pekin, Dec. 31.—In view of the Chinese emperor's acceptance of the preliminary demands of the powers an armstice has been declared by the representatives of the powers.

## NARROW ESCAPE OF 100 MEN.

### Explosion in a Mine Put Out Every Light With Few Fatalities.

Wilkesarre, Pa., Dec. 31.—One hundred miners in the Hallenback colliery miraculously escaped death this morning when a terrific explosion of gas put out every light in the mine, wrecking the supports and destroying much property. Enoch Kreger and William Thomas were fatally injured and several others suffered internal injuries. There were more than one hundred men in the mine when the explosion occurred, but they all escaped injury except the few referred to.

### HOW HELVETIA WAS TAKEN.

**Lord Roberts Reports the Details of the Defeat.**

London, Dec. 31.—Lord Kitchener today reports the details of the British defeat at Helvetia on the 29th. The Boers surprised the garrison at 2:30 o'clock in the morning. The gun officer commanding at Schwartzekopper sent a patrol at dawn with artillery, and they shelled the Boers out of Helvetia and forced them to temporarily abandon their guns. The enemy then formed the prisoners that they had taken around the guns and eventually got them away. No ammunition was captured. The British losses, besides those captured, were four officers wounded and 11 men killed and 22 wounded. The British column from Machadenerop, which started to reinforce the Helvetia garrison failed to arrive in time owing to bad roads.

**The London News Comments.**

London Dec. 31.—The Evening News, commenting on the reverse at Helvetia, in its Saturday issue, says: "If the country is willing to pay for the folly of its generals and the blundering of its ministers, then the pantomime may proceed, but the country ought to demand the finish of the campaign in South Africa by guaranteeing the republics a safe government immediately, or by sending sufficient reinforcements to crush the opposition with quick and heavy hand."

**Lentz Serves Formal Notice.**

Columbus, O., Dec. 31.—Congressman John J. Lentz, who bitterly fought President McKinley and Mark Hanna in congress on the Idaho bullpen matter, the administration war policy and the trusts, today served a formal notice on Congressman-elect Emmett Tompkins, republican, that he intends to contest his seat in the next congress. Lentz alleges the republicans spent $100,000 in his district to encompass his defeat.

**Divorce for the Countess.**

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 31.—The Countess Festetics this morning was granted a divorce from the count by Judge Bahrs. The court holds that the yacht Tolna, on which the count compelled her to live six years, was an unfit place for any lady. The count provided no other home and treated his wife like a dog. The count is an Austrian nobleman and married the countess, who was a Miss Haggin, in 1892.

**Six Days Bicycle Race in Boston**

Boston, Mass., Dec. 31.—Seventeen bike racers started on a six days grind at 1:20 this afternoon before one thousand people. The will ride ten hours a day and individually. The first hour following they scored twenty-three miles and six laps, all contestants being bunched. The names of the riders are: Gougoltz, Kazer, Ryser, Mueller, Turville, Gimm, Wallet, Stinson, McLean, Dubois, Downey.

**Earned Her Pardon**

Albany, Dec. 31.—Governor Roosevelt heeded no appeals for pardons today, except that of Mrs. Annie Walden, sentenced to life imprisonment for the killing of her husband James Walden, in New York, in 1891, on account of her heroism in saving an infant during the fire at Blackwell's island recently.

**Seattle Helps Herself.**

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 31.—At a Chamber of Commerce meeting here this morning $27,000 was raised in fifteen minutes by subscription and $73,000 more will be raised inside of three days as a guarantee to assist Moran Bros. to scale their bid so as to get the contract for one of the new battleships that a big ship building plant can be developed at Seattle.

**Hanging of Noah McGinnis.**

Butler, Mo., Dec. 31.—Noah McGinnis was executed in the jail yard at 9 o'clock this morning for the murder of William Borcherding, in April 1899. McGinnis made a full confession. He shot Borcherding for refusing to give him money. Two hundred witnesses were present at the hanging which was successfully executed.

**Big Fire at Harvey.**

Chicago, Dec. 31.—A fire early this morning destroyed the extensive plant of the Bellaire Stamping company, at Harvey. The loss is fully $400,000, with three-quarters of it covered by insurance. Eight hundred men are thrown out of employment by the fire.

**Failures in London.**

London, Dec. 31.—There were three small failures on the stock exchange today as the result of the failure of the London and Globe Finance association which occurred on Saturday. Further suspensions are not expected.

**Grant Arrives With Sick Soldiers.**

San Francisco, Dec. 31.—The transport Grant arrived this morning from Manila with 238 sick soldiers, 12 insane and 42 convicts. Eight prisoners escaped at Hong Kong but three of these were recaptured.

**Broke Through American Lines**

Manila, Dec. 31.—General Alejandrino, whom General Grant has been pursuing towards Mount Aryat, broke through the American lines last night and escaped. General Funston has started with reinforcements for General Grant.

**Former Secretary to Gen. Lee.**

Richmond, Va., Dec. 31.—Col. Gazeneau McLeod, a prominent business man and at one time private secretary of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, suicided this morning, using a revolver. No cause for the act is known.

**May Offer $100,000 Reward.**

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 31.—An Omaha special says Edward Cudahy may increase the reward for the arrest of the kidnappers to $100,000. He is now considering the proposition.

**Blizzard in Texas.**

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec. 31.—A blizzard struck north Texas last night. The thermometer registers twenty-eight degrees, the coldest of the season. It is feared much damage to cattle interests have occurred.

**The Booz Military Court.**

New York, Dec. 31.—The Booz military court left here for Bustleton, Pa., today to visit the school Booz attended to prepare his entrance to West Point and to ascertain more concerning Booz's character.

## BOERS HAVE INVADED NATAL

### Gen. Dewet Attempts to Break Through to the South.

### SKIRMISHES AT SEVERAL POINTS

### Boers Attack British Column and Inflict Considerable Damage Before They Could Be Repulsed.

Standerton, Dec. 29.—It is reported here that a Boer commando of three thousand men have invaded Natal. Skirmishes have occurred at several points, but no particulars are obtainable at this hour.

**British Column Attacked.**

London, Dec. 29.—Lord Kitchener reports that a British column was attacked at Crayungstad. Two captains were wounded, eight men killed and 27 others wounded, while twenty more are missing.

**War Must Go on.**

Rome, Dec. 29.—Maj. Grower Botha, brother of Commandant Gen. Louis Botha, has arrived at Rome on his way to The Hague. He carries dispatches for Kruger. In the course of an interview he said the war in South Africa would last for years; that Steyn had planned an invasion of Cape Colony and that the revolt of the Afrikanders was certain.

**Could Not Break Through.**

Cape Town, Dec. 28.—General Dewet's attempt to break through to the south has been fustrated and he is now reported to be at Senekal with a large commando holding the country between Frecksburg, Senekal and Winburg. Gen. Knox is holding the south between Ladybrand and Windburg. The eastern parties of invading Boers are being constantly harassed and driven back toward the Orange river.

## NO NEWS OF REV. JOHNSON.

### He Resigned From the Ministry Before Disappearing.

New York, Dec. 29.—The Tribune prints the following: The fact that Rev. James Le Baron Johnson, the former assistant rector of Grace church, was formally deposed from the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal church about a week ago has become known to his friends in this city.

It has been ascertained that he was deposed from the ministry at his own request and the announcement of his deposition stated there is no reflection upon his moral character in the proceedings. Johnson disappeared about two weeks ago and his friends have had no word from him. About the time of his disappearance he wrote Bishop Potter, expressing a determination to give up the ministry and requesting an announcement of the deposition be made. Bishop Potter caused the announcement to be made at the Church of the Ascension, although Mr. Johnson had not been associated with the work of that church.

## CHINESE ASK QUESTIONS.

### Wish to Known a Thing or Two Before They Accept Joint Note.

Paris, Dec. 29.—A Pekin dispatch, published here, says a note was received there Thursday night, from the court at Singu Fu, acknowedging the receipt of the joint demand of the powers, containing the following five questions.

Might not the Taku forts remain standing, though dismantled? Is it proposed to behead the princes the same as other offenders? If demands are acceded to, would allies cease sending out expeditions?

What places do allies propose to occupy?

How long do they propose to occupy them?

## MINISTER CONGER TO RESIGN.

### Offended at Criticisms Made by State Department Officials.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Friends of Minister Conger say he will shortly resign on account of criticisms made by the state department officials regarding his conduct during the peace negotiations.

## MURDERER M'DONALD DEAD.

### He Refussd to Eat Anything and Died From Starvation.

Washington, Dec. 29.—Sam McDonald, the slayer of Auditor Morris, of the war department, died this morning. McDonald resisted every effort of physicians and death resulted from exhaustion, brought on by starvation. He died easily and refused to make a statement when asked to do so by his physicians.

## THE FAILURES IN LONDON.

### Twelve Other Firms Affected by the Suspension of One.

London, Dec 29—The suspension of the London and Globe Finance corporation was followed today by the embarrassment on the London stock exchange of twelve firms. It is feared a number of small jobbers will be affected. A great sensation has been caused by the suspensions and what may follow them.

**PINGREE WILL IGNORE COURT.**

### He Will Not Pay Any Attention to the Citation.

Detroit, Dec. 29.—Gov. Pingree, who was cited to appear in the circuit court at Lansing, to answer the charge of contempt, announced today he was too busy to attend the court, and would not go in person or be represented by counsel. The court ordered him to appear January 9. If he fails an attachment will be issued. Pingree referred to Judge Weiss as a "little cuss" and the judge cited him to appear to answer to the charge of contempt.

**The Booz Hazing Inquiry.**

West Point, Dec. 29.—The forenoon hours of the Booz inquiry were mostly taken up by the testimony of Colonel Hein, commandant of the cadets. By anonymous letters the witness said he was informed that the hazing going onwas of a brutal character. He called the new class, of which Booz was a member, together and exacted a promise that not one of them would submit to hazing. From that time forward hazing in the previous severe forms was practically abolished.

**Street Car Strike Settled.**

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 31.—The street car men's strike was settled this morning. Nearly all the demands of the strikers were granted.

Governor Geer has been invited to attend in person and appoint three delegates to represent Oregon at a National Maritime congress to be held at Brunswick, Ga., January 3, 1901.

**The Canal Bill Will Pass.**

Washington, Dec. 29—Senator Morgan, who has charge of the Nicaragua canal bill, is confident the measure will pass at this session of the senate just as it came from the house. He says it will not be necessary to await the action of Great Britain on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty before the senate proceeds to legislate for the construction of the canal.

**New Gas Works for San Francisco.**

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 29—Claus Spreckels announces the formation of an independent gas company, in this city, with a capital of $5,000,000, and the immediate construction of new gas works, on a colossal scale, to be completed within a year, to supply the people with the best quality of gas at the lowest possible price.

**Biggest Reservoir in the World.**

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 29.—The government hydographers are conducting soundings at San Carlos, where the government contemplates the construction of one of the biggest reservoirs in the world to relieve the famine stricken Indians of that section by protecting them against drouth which prevents the cultivation of crops.

**Alger Attacks Miles.**

Washington, Dec. 29.—General Miles, who is attacked in a book on the Spanish war by General Russell A. Alger, is not in the city, but is somewhere in the south on a hunting expedition. A member of his staff asserts that the general will have something interesting to say in reply to Alger's charges as soon as he has had time to read them over and collect his data.

**The United States Will Buy.**

Washington, Dec. 29.—It is authoritatively announced that the United States minister to Denmark has opened negotiations with the Danish government for the purchase by the United States of the Danish West Indies. The United States is said to be willing to pay $4,000,000 for them.

**To Buy Danish Islands.**

London, Dec. 29.—The American and Danish governments are engaged in direct negotiations for the sale of the Danish West Indies, says the Copenhagen correspondent of the Daily Mail, and the Danish minister in Washington will shortly submit a proposal for the consideration of the American senate.

**Gamble to Succeed Pettigrew.**

Sious Falls, Dec. 29.—Congressman Robert J. Gamble, of Yankton, will be practically the unanimous choice of the republican members of the legislature for United States senator to succeed Senator Pettigrew. This is the result of a compromise now being effected by the republicans of the state.

**Americans Massacre Turks.**

Vienna, Dec. 29.—A dispatch received here savs serious disturbances are occurring in Armenia. Armenians, it says, massacred the Turkish garrison at Jeranus. The governor of Izzeru province asserts the Russians supplied the Armenians with arms.

**Pardoned by President.**

Albany, Dec. 29.—Ex-Captain Howgate, of the signal service, who was sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary in 1895, was released last night, having been pardoned by President McKinley. Howgate stole government funds.

**Mrs. Miller is Determined.**

New York, Dec. 29.—Mrs. Samuel Duncan Miller, who recently kidnapped her child at Indianapolis, returned here today. She is threatened with nervous prostration. She says she will not cease her efforts to secure possession of her child.

**Victims of Alcohol.**

Paris, Dec. 29.—The year's statistics, just published, show that more than 10,000 alcoholic patients were admitted to thirteen Paris hospitals. The treatment and maintenance of these desperate drunkards cost the city more than 2,000,000 francs ($400,000.)

**Accused of Assassination.**

Hillsboro, Ore., Dec. 29.—Charles Wombreck, accused of the assassination of Andy Dahlberg, has been arrested. Dahlberg was shot and robbed on December 15. The evidence against Wombreck is circumstantial.

**Tobacconists Strike.**

Louisville, Dec. 29.—About 500 people employed in the stemmery of the Continental Tobacco company went on a strike. They demanded an advance of 25 cents per hundred for stemming.

**Kaiser's Brother Asks Permission.**

Berlin, Dec. 29.—Prince Henry, the kaiser's brother, has asked to come to Berlin to confer with officials at the foreign office.

**National Committee in Session.**

St. Louis, Dec. 29.—The national committee of middle-of-the-road populists is in session here. An effort to harmonize the two branches of the party is being made.

**A Steel Trust Combine.**

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 2.—The bulletin this afternoon says negotiations are on foot looking to the formation of a steel trust with $150,000,000 capital.

**The Kaiser Will Visit Us.**

Berlin, Dec. 29.—Again it is rumored here that the kaiser is going to the United States next summer and that his brother Henry will act as regent during his absence.

**Beresford is Dead.**

London, Dec. 29.—Lord William Leslie De La Poer Beresford died at midnight, aged 53 years.

**Zero Weather on the Missouri.**

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 31.—The temperature this morning is ten below zero in the western part of the state and at zero along the Missouri river. Yesterday's bitter gale cleared the air.

**Petroleum Works Destroyed.**

Caraopoli, Pa., Dec. 31.—A fire this morning destroyed the Pennslyvania petroleum works. The loss is fuly $100,000.

**Banks Met the Runs.**

Baltimore, Dec. 28.—The uneasiness of savings bank depositors in this city has quieted down. There were no runs today.

**Lives Lost in a Fire.**

Vienna, Dec. 28.—The town of Wiznitz is wiped out by fire. Six hundred houses were burned and forty-six lives lost.

**Lord Roberts Arrives.**

Gibraltar, Dec. 28.—Lord Roberts arrived here today en route home from South Africa.

**No More Boxing Permitted.**

Paterson, N. J., Dec. 28.—The chief of police here today issued an order prohibiting boxing contests hereafter.

**Italian Cruiser Wrecked.**

Rome, Dec. 31.—It is rumored here that the Italian cruiser Cariddi was wrecked off the coast of Egypt.

## THE BOERS ARE CHECKED

### Kitchener's Proclamation, it is Thought, Will Have Little Effect.

### QUEEN'S NEW ORDER OF KNIGHTHOOD

### Conservative Party in England Favors Conciliatory Terms to the Boers as a Step in the Right Direction.

London, Dec. 28.—The latest dispatches from South Africa show that Lord Kitchener has succeeded in holding the Boers in check. He has not yet been successful in expelling them from Cape Colony while the different commandoes continue to display astonishing activity over an immensely wide field.

It is questionable whether his proclamation announcing that the bughers who voluntarily surrender will be allowed to live with their families in government laagers until the guerilla warfare has abated, will not have much effect until Dewet has been captured. The Boers are likely to regard it as a sign of weakness and to have a wholesome dread of vengeance if they surrender.

A proclamation is approved by the party at home that favors conciliatory terms to the Boers as a step in the right direction. Queen Victoria, it is said, has approved the proposal to institute a new order of knighthood to reward oficers who have served in South Africa.

A dispatch from Vryburg, dated December 20, says Boers in considerable numbers were making a movement westward. They had 150 wagons. The dispatch suggests that they were treking to Damaraland, although the Boers themselves denied any such intention.

**Lord Kitchener Returns to Pretoria.**

London, Dec. 28.—Lord Kitchener's return to Pretoria indicates to the newspapers that the crisis in Cape Colony is over, but scant as are the dispatches from South Africa it appears that the Boer activity will result in an organized plan for continuing the war. Nothing further has been received concerning the combined operations against General Dewet.

**Boers Treking Westward.**

Verybug, Dec. 28.—Two large Boer commanders with many wagons are treking westward. It is believed they are on the way to German West Africa.

## DISGUISED AS A WOMAN.

### Pat Crowe, the Kidnaper, Said to Have Been Seen in Chicago.

Omaha, Dec. 28.—All hope of capturing Pat Crowe in this vicinity has been abandoned and the police and special detectives in the Cudahy kidnapping case have settled down to a systematic search for evidence from the clues in their possession.

It is established that the woman who was with Pat Crowe in the deal is none other than Lillie Devine, the famous confidence woman who figured in the big diamond robbery at Denver, engineered by Pat Crowe, in 1893.

Lillie Devine is the wife of Charles Allen, a well-known confidence man. Pat Crowe has known her for a long time. It is said it was this woman that causes the falling out between Crowe and his wife, and the police propose to use the incident to make Mrs. Pat Cowe tell many things under the inspirsion of jealousy.

Pat Crowe's wife is in Omaha and, though clearly trying to shield her husband, her own statements practically convict him and satisfy the police that when they catch him they will have earned the $25,000 reward.

**Crowe Masquerades as a Woman.**

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Disguised as a woman, Pat Crowe, the notorious criminal who is sought by the police on the charge that he was the kidnaper of Eddy Cudahy at Omaha, has been seen in Chicago within the last few days and may still be in hiding here according to statements made last night by Detective Sargent James Storen of the Chicago police who has arrested Cowe a number of times in the past. It is said Crowe has been masquerading in a suburb of Englewood as a young widow.

## SAVED HIS SISTER'S LIFE.

### Gave a Strip of Skin From His Neck to His Elbow.

Newcastl, Pa., Dec. 28—Miss Bertha We, daughter of a prominent merchant of this city, was terribly burned several weeks ago while lighting a gas stove. After two weeks of suffering the attending physician decided it would be necessary to graft new skin on her wounds.

Harry Wel, a brother of the injured girl, underent an operation and had removed a solid strip of skin reaching from his neck to his elbow, one-half inch in width and sixteen inches long. The skin was transplanted to Miss Well's burns and she is now on a fair road to recovery.

The removal of the skin was a heroic operation, and young Well refused to take chloroform.

## IS SPENING MUCH MONEY.

### Philippine Commission is Exceeding Its Limit.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The Philippine comission, headed by Judge Taft, is in danger of running up a deficit if it present rate of expenditures is maintained. It appropriated more than five millions of Mexican dollars, or $2,500,000 American money, during the months of September and October in public improvements and in organizing the new government for the islands.

The appropriation authorized by the commission include $2,000,000 Mexican for the construction and repair of highways and bridges. The receipts of the islands are increasing, but the war department will probably suggest to the commission the necessity for economy.

## THE BOZ INVESTIGATION.

### The Experience of Ex-Cadet John Doyle at West Point.

West Pot, Dec. 28.—The Boos hazing investigation was resumed this morning. The most important witness examined was John Doyle, an ex-cadet. He said when he was hazed by the cadets he drank a teaspoonful and a half of "hot sauce," ate a quart of preserved peaches mixed with quinine and did two hundred "eagles" without any serious after effect. Cadet U. S. Grant, grandson of Ex-President Grant, related his hazing experiences, saying he was not treated differently from the others. He did not regard any of the hazing as severe.

**The Boz Hazing Investigation.**

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—A letter writen by Adet Booz, whose death is now being vestigated by a government board at West Point, has been found in which he said he was compelled to leave the West Point academy on account of weak eyes. The board of inquiry has a copy of the letter.

**Douglas Mac Arthur Testifies.**

Douglas MacArthur, the son of General MacArthur, said he had been forced to exercise to the point of exhaustion. He believed, though, hazing in the form of bracing was an essential factor in military training, as it removed the rough edges from the pelbes and gave them a military carriage. Those who testified today were all cadets of the third class, the object being to ascertain whether hazing still exists. It has been shown it still exists, but merely in a mild form. It is probable the court proceedings will end this evening.

**Father-in-Law Zimmerman.**

Cincinnati, Dec. 28.—The Duke of Manchester's debts in his native land have been paid. His three castles and his 27,000 acres of unproductive land are no longer weighted with I. O. U. incumbrances. These facts are admitted by the Duke's father-in-law, Eugene Zimmerman, of this city. In all, one hundred and thirty thousand good American dollars were deposited in London to cover and liquidate the indebtedness of the bankrupt duke.

His grace, at the early age of twenty-three, can now begin life new.

**Teachers in Session.**

Albany, Ore., Dec. 28.—The State Teachers' association met in this city Wednesday evening. Supt. Ackerman, Gov. Geer and others spoke. The sessions have been largely attended, papers were read and addresses delivered by Prof. Horner, Pres. Strong of the University of Oregon, and others. Last evening Pres. Hawley, of Salem, addressed the teachers.

**Morans May Get Contract.**

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 28.—A Washington special states that the naval board of construction has decided that Moran Bros., of this city, will get a contract for construction of a battleship if their bid is reduced. It is believed the award will develope one of the greatest shipbuilding plants in Seattle in the United States.

**Statement by Chairman Jones.**

Washington, Dec. 28.—Senator Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee, today said: "It is not true a meeting of the national executive committee will be held at which Bryan's future will be considered, but it is true I expect to call a meeting after Johnson's return from California to consider the minor details of campaign work."

**In Jail and in Earnest.**

Wichita, Kans., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, who yesterday destroyed the finest saloon in this city, is in jail today. Several friends offered to give bail, but she refused it, saying she was willing to remain in jail the balance of her life if it would help to close the saloons.

**Active Campaign in Philippines.**

Manila, Dec. 28.—Advices from Mindanao tell of active campaigning by American troops in the northern part of the island. The towns of Jiminez and Langarin, as well as several insurgent strongholds, have been cantured. Several insurgent bands have been routed.

**Reported Skating Disaster.**

Chicago, Dec. 28.—The report of a skating disaster at What Cheer, Iowa, is untrue, according to dispatches received here from the various cities in the vicinity of the place. The railroad officials here say the operator at What Cheer denies the truth of the story.

**Saved From Watery Graves.**

Seattle, Dec. 28.—The United States transport Garonne rescued 13 shipwrecked seamen of the schooner Theresa Maria in Philippine waters about the middle of November. The men were clinging to the wreckage when sighted by the Garonne.

**Probably an Attempt at Suicide.**

Indianapolis, Dec. 28.—The police today abandoned the search for the "blonde woman," who W. H. Smythe, secretary of the grand lodge of Masons, says shot him in his office yesterday. The theory of attempted suicide is now generally accepted.

**Suicide and Murder.**

Los Angeles, Dec. 28.—John W. Tinsley, shot and killed his wife on the street and then fired a bullet into his own head, dying instantly. It is alleged that Tinsley has another wife in Townsend, Montana.

**Lieutenant Freeman Kills Himself.**

Reno, Nev., Dec. 28—Gordon Freeman, lieutenant of the Nevada cavalry, who won fame in the Philippines, blew his brains out early this morning with a rifle. The cause was despondency occasioned by his losses at faro.

**Morris' Murderer Will Recover.**

Washington, Dec. 28.—Sam McDonald, the slayer of Auditor Morris, is making such rapid strides toward recovery that his friends are already planning to get up a fund for his defense.

**To Avoid a Libel.**

Victoria, Dec. 28.—The bark Mermaid from Valdes, put in here to avoid a libel to be served on her arrival at a sound port for refusal to pay $200 towage, claimed by the Alaska Commercial company.

**To Raid the Prize Fights.**

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 28.—The chief of police today announced that he would raid the prize fights if an attempt was made to pull them off tonight as advertised.

**Killed by a Street Car.**

Portland, Dec. 28.—Frances, the 8-year-old daughter of William F. Woodard, was run over and killed by a street car at Irvington.

**Joke by Trainmen.**

What Cheer, Ia., Dec. 28.—The reported drowning here of 49 children was a fake, started by a trainman as a joke.

**PENSIONING EMPLOYES.**

### A Western Railroad will Take Care of Its Faithful Workers.

A project for pensioning employes and paying benefits in case of sickness, disability or death is under consideration by the directors of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad. The arrangement contemplates assessing the employes for only part—probably half—of the funds necessary to carry out the system, the rest of the expense to be borne by the company. If it is finally adopted it will affect from 25,000 to 30,000 employes.

In many respects the system will be similar to a mutual benefit association, but the company proposes to contribute liberally toward its maintenance. The men in the employ of the company will not be required to join unless they wish to do so, but those taken on hereafter probably will be required to become contributors to the fund, thus, of course placing themselves in the line of its benefits.

## STORM SWEPT COASTS

### Shipping Damaged and Traffic Suspended.

### WAS CONSIDERABLE LOSS OF LIFE

### Life-Saving Crews Made Attempts to Rescue, But Could Do Nothing in the Terrible Wind and Sea.

London Dec. 29.—News of fresh disasters as the result of the great storm on Thursday and Friday on the English coasts are coming in. The total fatalities are now placed at seventy.

**Some of the Casualties.**

London, Dec. 29.—The bark Primrose Hill went on the rocks three miles off South Stack. She broke in two and went to pieces in a few minutes. One man out of a crew of 35 was saved.

The Spanish steamer Enecuri was driven ashore at Portland breakwater. The Weymouth life boat attempted the rescue of the crew, but the fearful seas running prevented them. It is believed they were saved.

The gale was so furious in the channel that continental services were suspended. The hurricane was at Queenstown where observers say it was the fiercest in years.

Incessant reports of innumerable shipping casualties show that the gale was one of the worst known in many years. Probably several days will elapse before the full damage becomes known.

In addition to some of the vessels not yet identified several have been wrecked or placed in great danger. The fate of some of the cross channel steamers is in doubt.

**France Suffers From Gales.**

Paris, Dec. 29.—Storms of extreme violence have swept the west and northwest coasts of France. There has been some loss of life.

## BRYAN'S WEEKLY PAPER.

### Professor Ross, Late of Stanford, May Be One of the Editors.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 28.—W. J. Bryan stated, before leaving here Thursday for Florida, where he goes to attend his cousin's inauguration as governor of that state, that the first issue of his weekly paper, "The Commoner," would not appear before January 15. Subscriptions to the paper are pouring in at the rate of 1000 a week. Already subscriptions have come from all the states and territories.

The story that Prof. Ross, late of Leland Stanford university, California, was coming to Lincoln to accept a position as one of the editors of the Commoner, is not confirmed. Prof. Ross, it is true, is likely to come to Lincoln, but if he does it will be to accept the chair of sociology in the university of Nebraska rather than a place in Mr. Bryan's sanctum.

A later rumor, which cannot be confirmed, is that Willis J. Abbott will have a hand in editing the Commoner.

## BONI COMING TO AMERICA.

### The French Son-in-Law of Jay Gould Forced to Leave France.

Paris, Dec. 28.—It is not only Count de Castellane who intends going to America, but there is a project under consideration according to which the count, the countess and their children will soon transfer their residence to New York permanently.

Their financial troubles have attracted such attention that the couple find their social luster rather tarnished. Moving fairily among the fastidious set is growing more and more difficult. It is a great change indeed and painful for both.

Boni knows his new nickname in the drawing rooms and clubs is "Petit faeseur," which, translated, is "Little deadbeat." Undoubtedly he preferred "Powder up" as a nickname.

## HEMP TRUST IN PHILIPPINES.

### An Army Officer Charged With Trying to Form One.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The charge that Lieut.-Colonel H. O. Heistand, assistant adjutant general of the United States army formerly of Ohio, has been engaged in an attempt to form a trust for the control of the hemp industry in the Philippines is made in a letter addressed to the war department, by Major Hawkes, late of the Tenth United States volunteer infantry. Heistand is now in China with General Chaffee. Hawkes, it was said at the war department today, was dismissed from the customs service at Manila when it was learned he was trying to float a hemp deal.

## GALE ON BRITISH COAST.

### The Bark Pegasus From San Francisco Foundered.

London, Dec. 28.—Another gale is raging along the British coast. Many minor wrecks are reported and twenty lives have been lost. The bark Pegasus, from San Francisco, foundered near Cardiff, and all but one of her crew of 34 are reported lost.

**Bad Storm in Ireland.**

Cork, Dec. 28.—The worst storm in the southwest of Ireland in a quarter of a century prevailed yesterday. Mail routes were blocked in all directions and much property was destroyed.

## HIT HIM WITH A LANTERN.

### Harry Nelson, O. R. & N. Brakeman Arrested at Walluiu.

Walla Walla, Dec. 28.—Harry Nelson, a brakeman on the Oregon Railway & Navigation company's line was brought here from Wallula last night and will stand trial on a charge of assault and battery, the exact date of the hearing having not yet been determined. The prisoner was in the custody of Constable Clyde German, who made the arrest.

As near as could be ascertained last night the trouble occurred between Nelson and a man named G. S. McSpaulden over matters of a purely private nature and in the fight which resulted Nelson hit his opponent over the head with a railway signal lantern, cutting him about the head and face severely, although not at all dangerously. The man swore out a warrant for Nelson and the latter was arrested.

Nelson says that McSpaulden had for some time been posing as a "bad man" and a sort of a desperado and that his fight was only made after repeated insults had been heaped upon him.

The new 600-foot tunnel on the O. R. & N., about a mile and a half west of Mosier, is nearing completion, and the contractors expect to have the entire 11 miles of reconstruction near that place completed by the month of April.