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## HOPES RAISED AND DASHED TO GROUND

Durrant Must Hang on Friday, Despite All Efforts.

### PREPARATIONS FOR DEATH

Father Will Not Be Present—No Hope From the Governor—No Autopsy Will Be Allowed.

San Francisco, Jan. 5.—Durrant has renewed his hope of escaping the gallows since the federal judges have taken his latest petition for a writ of habeas corpus under advisement. He seems to have shaken off the despondency that was fast bringing him to a state of nervous collapse. Strong pressure is being exerted to induce Governor Budd to either commute the sentence or grant a reprieve. Chief Justice Healy of the supreme court who dissented from decisions of his colleagues against Durrant, visited the governor yesterday, but the result of the conference is not known. Scientific men who are interested in the pathological features of Durrant's case are grievously disappointed at the prospect that no autopsy will be allowed on the remains. Dr. John W. Hildreth, the celebrated chemist, had received a communication from the American Journal of Insanity to prepare an elaborate treatise on the case. He is firmly impressed with the extraordinary character of Durrant as a study in psychopathy and regrets that a post-mortem examination of the head of the condemned man cannot be made. The fact that Durrant having been well advanced as a medical student should have made a positive report that no examination be made of his face or head after death is commented upon as significant. It seems that no measurements of Durrant's head have been made.

### FURTHER EFFORTS MADE

San Francisco, Jan. 5.—Although the attorneys for W. H. T. Durrant, the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamon, were considerably discouraged by the denial of their application for a writ of habeas corpus and the permission to appeal therefrom in the United States circuit court this morning, they have yet two more moves by means of which they hope to prevent the execution of their client on Friday. These are to appeal to the governor for a reprieve and to apply to the supreme court of the United States for an appeal from the circuit court decision denying the petition for a writ of habeas corpus. Attorney Boardman, who left here Saturday, is expected to reach Washington tonight and will probably make the latter application tomorrow morning.

While little reliance is being placed upon the latter, a strong pressure is being brought to bear upon him in behalf of the condemned murderer and no stone is being left unturned in the effort to gain executive clemency. Meanwhile, Warden Hale has completed all the arrangements for the carrying out of the sentence and so little faith have Durrant's parents in the efforts to save their son that they have requested the Rev. William Barber to preach the funeral of the condemned man. They have also attempted to make arrangements for the funeral of their son after the execution, but learned to their dismay that there was a decided objection on the part of the cemetery officials of this city to permitting Durrant's body to be interred on account of the publicity which has been given him.

### ALL HOPE GONE

San Francisco, Jan. 5.—Theodore Durrant has entirely given up hope and so has his father, who came over this evening with the news that the court were closed to all appeals or applications for writs delaying execution. Both are now convinced that the younger Durrant will be hanged on Friday. When told that Governor Budd had taken under advisement the application made this afternoon by his attorneys for commutation of sentence to life imprisonment, or at least for reprieve, Theodore Durrant sorrowfully remarked that he had little to hope for from the governor. The older Durrant has finally decided not to be present at the hangings. He so informed the warden tonight, making a number of requests which Warden Hale has already granted. The father asked that after the execution the remains of his son be placed at once in the coffin, without autopsy or inquest, and that the black cap be not removed, so that no one would be permitted to see his boy's face after death. He also asked that the robe be burned after execution, so it could not be set up and the flag distributed as souvenirs.

The condemned man received spiritual consolation today from the Rev. Wm. Rader, a congressional minister, from San Francisco.

### TO ADVANCE CORN

Washington, Jan. 5.—Senator Mason will soon prepare and introduce a bill in the senate providing for a special appropriation for a normal exhibit at the Paris

exposition. He hopes by this means to second the efforts of our representatives in Europe in widening themselves for the abundant corn crop of the United States. In this fiscal year, ending June, 1897, the United States exported 54,960 bushels of corn and 1,000,000 barrels of cornmeal. The total corn crop of the United States is over 400,000,000 bushels, and it is capable of indefinite increase if a market can be found for it. For some years the United States maintained a special commissioner, Murphy by name, whose duty it was to introduce cornmeal in the various continental countries. In Germany he was quite successful, and "Murphy's" "made from half-and-half mixture of flour and cornmeal" became so popular that the agrarian interests there managed to have the tariff raised so as to check its importation.

### FRANCE'S POSITION

Paris, Jan. 5.—M. Francis Charmes, who is well informed as to the views of the French government, has a long article in the Journal des Debats, in which he ably discusses the Eastern situation, drawing the inference that "France for the present will preserve an expectant attitude in the Chinese crisis."

## THE DEAL NOW FINALLY CLOSED

LAST PAYMENT MADE BY THE UNION PACIFIC.

Government Claims All Wiped Out—New Company Entitled to Take Possession.

New York, Jan. 5.—Without comment the last payment to the government by the Union Pacific reorganization committee for the Union Pacific, was made today, a check for \$3,500,000 being deposited at the sub-treasury.

The payment concludes practically the financing of the reorganization of the Union Pacific and the payment of a debt of \$5,000,000 to the government. The reorganization committee and reorganized company are now entitled to take possession of the road.

There are some overdue bonds to be paid of about \$1,500,000 the holders of which refused to assent to the terms of the reorganization committee and deposit their bonds. The holders of these bonds lost almost 15 per cent by not participating in the reorganization. They will receive par and interest for their bonds more, or at least 100%. The bonds which were deposited are now standing at 116. For these the holders will receive par in the new funds and 50 per cent in the new preferred stock.

### NICARAGUA CANAL

The Concessions to the Atlas Steamship Company by Zelaya.

Managua, Nicaragua, Jan. 5.—President Zelaya in his message to congress declared that the contract of the Atlas Steamship Company with the Nicaraguan government does not interfere with the contract between the government and the Maritime Canal Company of New York. Dr. Gomez, the president of the congress, in his reply to the president's message said the Nicaraguan canal would when constructed, transform Central America and lead to its being under the United States flag.

This sentiment is cordially approved by President Zelaya and the members of the cabinet.

Diplomatic negotiations have been progressing informally for some time between the United States and Nicaragua with respect to the apparent conflict between the concession recently made by the Nicaraguan government to the Atlas Steamship Company, and that made previously to the Maritime Canal Company of New York. By the terms of the contract between the Nicaraguan government and the Atlas Steamship Company, the latter, it is understood, receives the exclusive right to steam navigation for 25 years on the Silico Lacooz, Lake Nicaragua and the river San Juan del Norte, with the exclusive right also for the same of constructing tramways and railways along the line and at the best places to avoid the obstacles in the river San Juan. The company agrees to make at least three trips a month with its steamers between Grenada and San Juan del Norte, both ways, and at least once a month to each of every inhabited port on the lake. The Atlas Steamship Company is an English corporation.

### VENEZUELA RECIPROcity

Chicago, Jan. 5.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: Venezuela has declined to make a reciprocity treaty with the United States. It was one of the few South American countries that made none under the provisions of the McKinley tariff law, although as a reason that there was within its border large foreign interests that objected to any discrimination against their native country. Mr. Kasson who is negotiating the reciprocity treaties with foreign countries, says he still has hopes of increasing Venezuela with the blessings of reciprocity, and will continue his efforts in that line.

## SENATOR HANNA WILL NOT RETIRE

Feels Confident of His Ultimate Success on Joint Ballot.

### PROTESTS BY THE SCORE

Republican Clubs Want to See the Toledo Convention Man, Hanna, Elected.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 5.—Both branches of the legislature have adjourned until Monday. But both sides of the senatorial contest remain in conference daily and nightly at the Neil House and the Great Southern Hotel, respectively.

The suspense and secret work will continue until next Tuesday, when the two branches of the legislature vote separately for senator. Doubtful members made no hops today. Next Monday Governor Bushnell will be inaugurated for his second term, but the exercises will not interfere with the senatorial fight. The anti-Hanna republicans and all of their followers will meet here Monday for a large demonstration.

Though many republican clubs have cancelled their engagements for quarters on inauguration day, it is believed that the efforts of the anti-Hanna republicans to have as big a demonstration as usual will succeed. The Hanna men will take the advantage of excursion rates to have the visiting republican delegations here on that day to protest against the combine with the democrats.

The expected deadlock will not begin until next Wednesday when the two houses will ballot jointly for senator.

Letters and telegrams from protesting republican clubs and committees and others continue to pour in from counties on the governor and the republican members who are co-operating with the democrats, and some of these messages and misstatements appeal to Senator Foraker to come to the relief of the party by declaring it to be the duty of all republicans to stand by the choice of the Toledo state convention in supporting Hanna.

In reply to the reports about Secretary Sherman, Assistant Secretary Day, Congressman Groves and others which are being made the republican senatorial nominees, Senator Hanna said today that he would not retire. He says he was nominated by the Toledo convention and cannot retire in favor of anyone. If defeated the responsibility for the disaster of the choice of the senate convention will rest on those who are now co-operating with the democrats. The senator insists that he will never withdraw, even if defeat should become inevitable, but he still insists that he will win out before another week rolls around.

The standing committees have not been announced in either house and the committee is using the patronage to hold their men in line. In the senate today Senator Burke showed some tendency to co-operate with his republican colleagues. The democrats wanted to report the committee, but Senator Burke stopped them by saying he would vote with the republicans. Later in the day Senator Burke was in conference with Hanna and he spent most of his time with the Hanna workers.

The anti-Hanna republicans announce positively that under no circumstances will they vote for a democrat. They will continue the deadlock indefinitely rather than elect a democratic senator.

The Press is out with a sensational extra edition tonight announcing that the democratic prosecuting attorney has presented the senatorial situation to the grand jury.

This affair is pronounced as an attempt at intimidation by the Hanna men.

### GENERAL BOOTH

Coming to America Where the Salvation Army Can Work.  
New York, Jan. 5.—A dispatch to the Times-Herald from London says: General Booth, who sails for New York next Saturday, gave to the World correspondent the following statement of the objects of his visit: "I am going where I shall receive a hearty welcome. They use me well in what we are pleased to call foreign countries, but there is no country foreign to the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army does not fight by deprecating other laborers, but in competition with them. We build not on any other man's foundations, nor on the misfortunes of other workers in his vineyard. We are helpers of all who are helping suffering men and women everywhere. There is no man who labors for or advocates any true reform whether natural, supernatural, commercial, social, municipal or political, who is hindered by the Salvation Army."

"I am going to the United States to assist in the formation of new plans and for the furtherance of the work which is at present in operation for helping the suffering poor and outcast classes of society. I am also going to America to give my counsel and instruction with regard to the extension of these methods across the water with such modifications as the differing conditions of society may call for. I am going on this journey with the full purpose of strengthening the

hands and cheering the hearts of my people, and am sure they deserve all the cheer and inspiration it is possible to give them. Whatever jealousy or selfish aims may be in the heart of other people, the Salvation Army on both sides of the Atlantic are one in confidence and affection. To increase this spirit of affection and unity and to unite more acts is one of the purposes of my visit. We have sorrowed ourselves in the United States one of my sons has separated himself from me and is working his own way. Though I think him wrong, he is still my son. As to controversy or dispute, I will have none of it. I am a friend to all men, whether they use me well or ill, better or worse than my master, the enemy of none. William Booth, General of the Salvation Army."

General Booth will address a great farewell meeting at Albert hall in London tomorrow night.

### MANITOBA SCHOOLS

Montreal, Jan. 5.—The Catholic bishops from various parts of Canada, including the Mired Abbott of the Trappists, have arrived here to consider the pope's encyclical on the Manitoba school question which will be published from the pulpits next Sunday.

## TO ADD INTEREST TO FARM LIFE

RESULT OF INVESTIGATIONS IN THE STATE OF INDIANA.

Educators Do Not Present Nature to the Rising Generation as They Should.

Indianapolis, Jan. 5.—The state board of agriculture which is holding its annual session in this city has before it a proposition that the property it owns be turned over to the state and it become a state organization. Several years ago the supreme court held that the body was a private corporation. Governor Mount delivered an address before the board. He said:

"A few evenings ago I heard a discussion among distinguished gentlemen of this city in which it was the consensus of opinion that the most discouraging outlook for agriculture was found in the fact that too many young men were leaving the farm. Statistics and observations strongly tend to show that the urban population is rapidly increasing while that of the rural districts is decreasing at a far less rate. The casual observer might conclude that this is to the advantage of the farmer, as the tendency is to the decreasing of producers and the increasing of consumers. The careful student of economic, however, wants to understand the reason why there seems to be so little attraction in country life. Farmers as a rule are inclined to talk farming down instead of exalting its possibilities. One of the gentlemen above referred to said 'some aggressive efforts are needed to attract attention and add interest to farm life.' The superintendent of public instruction informs me that the average amount annually expended in the various schools of education in Indiana would not fall short of \$10,000,000. I am in favor of the broadest kind of education, but I want farmers educated in the science of agriculture as well. There is practically no instruction as to how crops grow, the elements of plant life, food required, how to conserve and how to use those elements in the textbooks of our schools to interest children in nature study."

### ANNEXATION BRIGHT

Chicago, Jan. 5.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington says: The outlook for ratification of the Hawaiian annexation treaty is now considered very bright. The friends of the measure believe they can secure for it 25 votes, or three more than are needed. There has, it is said, been a marked change of sentiment since the European powers began their aggressive in China. The feeling is very strong here that unless the United States takes in Hawaii, the islands are likely to cause us trouble in the future, when one or more of the European nations attempt to acquire them or to give them to Japan as compensation for their grabs in China. Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, says he will call the treaty up at the first executive session of the senate.

### BOMB IN THE COUNCIL

Muskogee, I. T., Jan. 5.—The Creek council at Muskogee were in extra session yesterday to consider the advisability of employing attorneys to test the constitutionality of the act of congress which went into effect January 1 to abolish the tribal courts. They have not yet heard of the warning of Secretary Bliss that such acts would not be approved by the president, and when the special messenger sent out to notify them of the secretary's action arrives, it will be throwing a bomb in the midst of the councilmen.

## HOW TO IMPROVE RANGE CATTLE

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### CONVENTION OF CATTLEMEN

Will Be Held in Pendleton February 15th—Methods of Improvement to Be Considered.

Pendleton, Or., Jan. 5.—Pendleton is to have the Northwest Cattle Convention on February 15.

Recognizing the importance of cattle interests in this section, the commercial association of the traffic department, of the O. R. & N. Co. C. Judson, the company's industrial agent, was seen here to confer with the association board of managers, which met this afternoon and made preliminary plans for the event. Four states are to be represented at the convention, viz: Idaho, Montana, Washington, and Oregon. Unquestionably very low special rates will be granted by the different railroads to all those interested in the cattle business who desire to attend, and it is confidently estimated that between four and five hundred delegates will be present.

Men of prominence in the different lines of the cattle industry will address the convention. The raising of range cattle, the quality of grasses, improvement of stock, climatic conditions, transportation, the best markets and how to secure them, will be among the subjects discussed and from personal intercourse with one another the cattlemen will be able to obtain many values.

The convention will be known as that of the Pacific Northwest Cattle Association. Range cattle are principally raised in the Pacific northwest, but it is estimated that prominent breeders of blooded stock from the middle states will come and lecture on ways and means of improving the bands on our ranges.

### MINES AND MINING

Denver, Jan. 5.—Es-Congressman Lafe Pence of this city, chairman of the committee appointed by the mining congress to take steps to secure the establishment of a bureau of mine and mining will leave for Washington to take steps to secure the passage of the law. Mr. Pence said the committee had concluded that the best thing to do is to go to Washington and present the matter to the committee having it in charge. The committee men are E. V. Smalley of St. Paul, J. R. Hedges of Pittsburgh, W. Beach of Omaha, and Lafe Pence of Colorado. Mr. Pence states that gold and silver mining would be put in second place in the presentation of the committee's argument and the advantages of such a department or bureau to the general mining industry, including lead, zinc, iron, copper and coal would be dwelt upon. He said the committee had assurance of the support of the solid Pennsylvania delegation and thought they would be able to get the assistance of delegations from Georgia, North and South Carolina, Michigan and Missouri.

### SENTENCED TO DEATH

Sault Ste. Marie, Jan. 5.—Henry Creamer was today sentenced to be hanged March 2 for the murder of Mrs. Philippina Mueller last child. This is the third time that sentence of death has been passed on Creamer. Creamer's only hope now lies in executive clemency.

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Ottawa, Jan. 5.—The detailed report of the geological survey upon statistics of mines and minerals for the year 1896 has been issued. It gives Canada's total mineral production for the year as \$2,500,000, an increase of 125 per cent in 10 years, the production in 1886 having been \$1,000,000.

The increase on mineral production in the United States for the same decade was 49 per cent.

The annual production per capita is \$5 in the United States against \$3.50 in Canada. In the production of gold, British Columbia stands credited with over 64 per cent and Nova Scotia with over 19 per cent. The Northwest Territories, including the Yukon district, came third with 13 per cent, and Ontario fourth with about 5 per cent, while Quebec contributes much under 1 per cent.