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TO PREVENT AN ATTACK

M. Guerin Pours Petroleum in Room Near Gendarmes.

PLANS DID NOT CARRY

Gendarmes Made No Attempt to Dislodge Anti-Semite League—Testimony Unfavorable to Dreyfus.

PARIS, Aug. 22.—Anticipating an attack from gendarmes occupying an adjacent house, M. Guerin, president of the anti-Semite league and his companions who are barricaded in the headquarters of the league, poured petroleum in a room near the point from which an attack was expected, preparatory to setting it on fire. The anticipated move on the part of the officers, however, did not materialize.

THE PROSECUTION ELATED.

Testimony of Fabre and D'Aboville Strongly Against Dreyfus.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—The Rennes correspondent of the Tribune discussing Monday's session of the Dreyfus trial, says:

Stirred by Sunday's events in Paris the crowds in Rennes gave vent to their feelings yesterday by shouting "Vive l'armée." "A bas les traitres," mingled with a few cries of "Mort à Dreyfus." Generals Billot and Gonz, as they passed through the streets wearing uniforms and decorations were received with demonstrations of approval.

The prosecution at the close of today's proceedings seemed elated at the effect produced on the court martial by two statements in the testimony of General Fabre and Colonel D'Aboville. General Fabre, was chief of the fourth bureau of the general staff when the bordereau was discovered and when Dreyfus was one of six officers undergoing instruction there. General Fabre declared that on Dreyfus had been intrusted a plan comprising the details of the concentration of troops

in the eastern territorial region in case of mobilization. Great value is attached to this point by the prosecution as proof that Dreyfus, notwithstanding his denials, possessed knowledge of the plans of concentration which had a marked effect on the court, was the evidence of Colonel D'Aboville, who was sub-chief of the fourth bureau of the general staff when Dreyfus was stagiare.

Colonel D'Aboville gave full details of the investigations made at the time of the discovery of the bordereau which by a process of elimination indicated that the author of the bordereau must be an officer of artillery, a stagiare of the general staff having access to more than one bureau of the staff and that Dreyfus being the only officer fulfilling these conditions, therefore he must be the criminal. It is greatly to be regretted that Colonel D'Aboville's statements were not subjected to a rigid cross examination for as his testimony now stands it cannot fail to have crushing weight with the members of the court martial who after all are soldiers rather than jurists and as such are prone to punish as soon as a serious suspicion fastens in their minds. The testimony of Gribelin, Cochefort, Lauth and especially that of Junek, referring to irregularities in Dreyfus social life was scarcely listened to by the court and seemed to make no impression upon it. The two points already mentioned mark a heavy score in favor of the prosecution.

PETITIONS COME FROM ALL OVER FOR FOOD.

New York Board of Charities Sending Supplies Daily to San Juan—Great Distress.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—A despatch to the Herald from San Juan, says: The board of charity is sending out supplies by land and water daily but petitions keep coming in from all over the country requesting food, medicines and money.

There are no means of raising funds in the different localities. At Wau-nabo an effort was made to start a popular subscription but only ten pesos was contributed.

In consequence of the putrefaction of bodies, typhus fever has developed at Arroyo. The captains of coasting vessels complain that the bad odor at the various ports have caused them more suffering than the hurricane.

The reports of the board of health up to last Friday gave the number of killed as 1,973, 1,000 missing, 6,421 houses destroyed and 22,046 persons homeless.

Advices from Ponce state that there has been slight rioting at Kaabo, but that it has been easily quelled by the local guards. The local authorities are running short of money with which to pay workmen. There are no reports of fever as yet from the south side of the island. The authorities are making strenuous efforts to relieve the country districts where great distress is reported.

FIVE PERSONS INJURED.

Excursion Train at Circleville Wrecked but No One Is Killed.

CIRCLEVILLE, O., Aug. 22.—An excursion train on the Cincinnati and Muskingum Valley railroad was wrecked in the edge of this city today, and five persons were seriously injured and twenty others badly cut and bruised.

The injured are Engineer William Ditto, internally; William McKenna, baggage-men; Mrs. Leoto Reichelderfer, Criederville, Ohio; Miss Kate de Long Indianapolis; Rev. C. H. Eckard, Lima, Ohio.

The train was running at a high rate of speed in the outskirts of the city when a misplaced switch turned it into a siding on which stood the locomotive. Both engines were telescoped and the first two cars badly splintered. The train had three coach loads of passengers going to a family reunion at Lureville, Ohio.

Your Wife Will like it; so will the cook.

Star Estate Range Satisfy all who use them.



Visited by French Admiral and American Vice Consul.

VILLE, France, Aug. 22.—The cruiser Olympia arrived here this morning. The usual salutes were exchanged.

Admiral Dewey today received visits from Vice-Admiral Blencoe, Henri Vignaud, United States charge d'affaires at Paris, and the United States vice consul at Nice.

Admiral Dewey is apparently in excellent health. He will stay at Nice for some time and will take part in as few functions as possible.

OPIMUM FROM THE ORIENT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—The steamer Doric, which arrived today from the Orient, brought a large consignment of opium. The manifest shows that in the hold of the steamer are 21,565 pounds of the drug. The total value of the consignment is \$345,058. The duty amounts to \$129,396.

REED GIVES UP HIS SEAT

Tenders Resignation as Congressman From Maine.

THE BOERS ARE ARMING

War Munitions Being Distributed to Burghers—Case of Leprosy Disc covered in San Francisco.

AUGUSTA, Me., Aug. 15.—The resignation of Thomas B. Reed as congressman in the First Maine district was received by Governor Powers today. Governor Powers has accepted the resignation, which takes effect September 4.

Mr. Reed's letter read as follows: Portland, Me., Aug. 3, '99.

To the governor of Maine, Augusta.—I hereby resign the position of member of congress from the First district of Maine, to take effect on this date (September 4).

Very truly yours, T. B. REED.

THE BURGHERS ARMING.

JOHANNESBURG, Aug. 22.—Field corners are busy distributing Mausers and ammunition to the Burghers.

STRANGE STORY OF A LEPER.

Leaves San Francisco and Wanders Back After Traveling Many Miles.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—A case of unusual interest in connection with immigration matters has been settled by Commissioner Powderly. It is that of Mrs. L. M. Todd, a British subject, who is now in the San Francisco pest house, suffering from leprosy. She contracted the disease in 1892 while working as nurse in the San Francisco pest house.

Some of her washing went to the leper to be done, and a Chinese leper used to bring coal for her. Thirteen months after this, while in San Francisco, suspicious looking spots appeared on the left leg.

After contracting the disease, she went to the Hawaiian Islands and remained there until November, 1898, when she left to attempt to reach the United States. She took passage at Honolulu on the steamship City of Rio de Janeiro, destined to some point in Japan. From Japan she shipped by a Canadian steamship line to Victoria, B. C., thence coming across the border of the United States, reaching San Francisco, December 22, and avoiding the marine hospital examination at that point. Her condition and the story of her case was discovered by an immigrant inspector at San Francisco who found that she is badly diseased.

Commissioner Powderly has ordered that Mrs. Todd, who is a widow, be sent back to the Hawaiian Islands and confined in the leper colony there. He says the leper colony in the Hawaiian Islands is not closely guarded, and that the situation is somewhat dangerous. The immigrant inspector sent out by Commissioner Powderly have recently reported it as their belief that a colony of lepers exists on the border of Canada and this country, in the northern part of the state of Washington. They do not live together, as that would attract attention and cause them to be separated, but they live in the same neighborhood and have an association for their mutual defense and protection.

FOREIGN BOER ELEMENT EARNESTLY DESIRE WAR.

Three Important Reforms Are Necessary—Opinions of Chicago Mining Engineer.

NEW YORK, Aug. 22.—J. W. Regan, an expert mining engineer, who for the past year and a half has been making a careful study of mining and governmental conditions of the Transvaal is now in this city. The prospect of war with England, Mr. Regan says, at the time he left Johannesburg a few weeks ago, was according to the native Boers, very slight. It was expected by them that a compromise would be reached. The foreign element however earnestly hoped that it will come, for in it they see future prosperity.

"American sympathy may be naturally with the young republic," said Mr. Regan, "but 'republic' as applied to the Transvaal is a misnomer."

Chief Justice Kotze, recently deposed, told "Oom Paul" when asked about a certain matter, that it was unconstitutional, whereupon "Oom Paul" promptly cut off his official head and placed on the bench an innocent old individual whose idea of the prop-

er administration of justice was to be in line with the president. With the departure of Kotze there departed all hope of justice upon the part of the Uitlanders.

"There are three questions that engage diplomatic attention; That of the franchise, probably the most important; the question of dynamite, and the railways.

"Until quite recently a man to hold office must have resided in the Transvaal for fourteen years and be at the same time a member of the Dutch church. The Uitlanders hope for reforms through the franchise.

"In regard to dynamite, it has been the policy of the government to grant an exclusive franchise to a Holland and German syndicate to make dynamite, the importation being illegal. They demand for it 75 shillings a case. An American firm offered to lay it down in the Transvaal in unlimited quantities at 45 shillings a case of 50 pounds. The mining industry uses about 400,000 cases annually. That means a loss of \$1,000,000 to the miners. The profit is too low to warrant working many low grade ore mines.

"The Netherlands Railway Company holds the exclusive right to build and construct railways and also to fix its own rates. It charges from 3 to 15 cents per mile per ton for freight. Most of the mining machinery is brought from Chicago. The haul from Ver-nigining to Johannesburg, a distance of about 30 or 40 miles, is more expensive than the freight rates from Chicago to New York, about 300 miles.

"There are about 83,000 blacks there. They walk from 500 to 900 miles to reach the mines. They are forced to purchase a kind of badge or 'dog collar' and wear it, in addition to paying the government 50 cents a month. If they lose the dog collar or fail to pay the monthly tax, they are usually given 15 lashes and imprisonment a couple of months.

"The gold fields of the Transvaal are not found in rich deposits, as is thought, but their value lies in the great quantity of low grade, free milling ore, with an average of 12.46 per cent. The cost of product is about \$5 per ton. Capital is at present very low, but if England succeeds in getting the reforms the big rushes to the gold fields of California in 1849 and to Colorado later would be nothing in comparison. So sure are the present mines in their output that in England those who have control of trust money and estates, are investing in them.

"Though the Boers do not anticipate war, yet while on my way home I spent several weeks in England and from what I could learn there, active preparations are being made for war with the Transvaal. It is the universal opinion of those best posted and those having at heart the best wishes for the ultimate success of the Transvaal as a republic, that nothing short of a war with England will remedy the situation."

BLOODED HORSE SICK.

CHICAGO, Aug. 22.—The Tribune, says: John Bright, the best thoroughbred horse in training in the west has again gone amiss, and will not race again this season. Soon after coming to the Chicago track, nearly two months ago, from St. Louis, he went lame. He was gradually being nursed back into condition, and the latter part of last week was thought to be ready for a race, but in undergoing a stiff work out at Hawthorne on Sunday he again became seriously lame in his left fore leg. Yesterday the lameness seemed to have increased and his owners, Talbot Bros., have decided to blister him in both legs and ship him to their Kentucky farm.

HOP PICKER KILLED.

RED BLUFF, Aug. 22.—Henry Crushed, aged 15 years, was severely crushed under the wheels of an Oregon express train last night and died in the hospital here today. He was making his way from his home in Walla Walla, Wash., to the hop fields near Sacramento.

BISHOP NEWMAN'S WILL.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 22.—Bishop John P. Newman's will shows his estate to be worth \$90,000. Aside from two or three nominal bequests the estate is left for the life of the widow after which it goes to the Drew theological seminary, Madison, N. Y.

THEY AGREE ON FUSION

Silver Party in Omaha Nominates State Officers.

BRYAN DICTATES PLATFORM

Three Parties Unite but Not Without Disorder in Democratic Convention—Nominations in Ohio.

OMAHA, Aug. 22.—The Nebraska democrats, populists and silver Republicans met in this city today and agreed on nominations for judge of the supreme court and two members of the board of regents of the state university. Former Governor Silas A. Holtcomb, was nominated for supreme justice by the populists and endorsed by the other two conventions, though not without a fight in the democratic gathering, where there was strong opposition to him. Ex-Senator Allen was chairman of the resolutions committee in the gathering. Bryan dictated the platform of the democratic convention. This declared uncompromisingly for the free coinage of silver at the rate of 16 to 1, and endorsed bodily the Chicago platform of 1896.

The platform of the populists convention endorsed the platform of the populist national convention of 1896 and in addition contained plank: denouncing the policy of the administration in the Philippines.

The platform of the silver republicans was much the same, and contained in addition a strong plank declaring against the use of the railroads passes by public officials.

This pass resolution was adopted by the populist convention without dissent, but stirred up a great commotion among the democrats, many of whom fought it tooth and nail, and for a time the gathering was resolved into a scene of great disorder. Finally the matter was put to a vote and the resolution declared passed, although more than a dozen delegates voted on either side. Bryan addressed all three conventions.

UNION PARTY NOMINATED!

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Aug. 22.—The union reform party today nominated a full state ticket. Seth A. Ellis, of Warren county, was nominated for governor. It became evident soon after the opening of the convention that the faction who favored the endorsement of Mayor Jones, of Toledo, for governor, were in hopeless minority and they made a desperate attempt to turn the convention into a farce, but were out success. The platform adopted contains but a single plank, direct legislation under the system known as the initiative and referendum.

VALLEY WHEAT DAMAGED.

PORTLAND, Aug. 22.—The wheat buyers estimate the valley has been damaged nearly 50 per cent by the recent heavy rains. They refuse to make quotations on new wheat until the quality of grain is determined.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

Oregon Press Association Elects Officers and Adopts Resolutions Relating to the N. E. A.

The Oregon Press Association met again in the second day's annual session at the chamber of commerce yesterday morning. Legislative matters and rates of advertising were the principal topics of discussion during the forenoon. The following officers were elected:

J. S. Stewart, Fossil, president; B. F. Irvine, Corvallis, vice-president; Albert Tozier, Portland, secretary; Fred C. Baker, Tillamook, treasurer; George H. Himes, Portland, historian.

After the formal meeting in the afternoon had been dispensed with the association adjourned. The body then went to Seaside as the guests of the W. & C. railway, where they will remain until today. The committee which had been appointed for the purpose

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