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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Culled From the Telegraph Columns.

Bloemfontein is badly in need of water.

The total British losses in the Boer war are now 23,000.

A Texas town in the flooded district was destroyed by a tornado.

Fishermen testing the Columbia river near Astoria found but few Chinooks.

The Puerto Rican bill, as amended by the senate, passed the house by a vote of 163 to 153.

Admiral Dewey denies the story of his withdrawal as a candidate for presidential nomination.

H. C. Frick will dispose of all his holdings, something like $16,000,000, in the Carnegie Company.

An internatonal naval demonstration will soon take palce at Taku Cin, the gulf of Pe Chi Li, China.

During a fight with riotous laborers in New York, one Italian striker was killed and several wounded.

At the Georgia Populist convention, Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina, was denounced as the "chief of all traitors."

George W. Hull, an Arizona millionaire, was arrested in New York on a charge of perjury in a divorce case against his wife.

Competent authorities estimate that the wastage of horses monthly by the British forces in South Africa, must be calculated at not less than 5,000.

B. C. Bergin, an assayer in the United States mint at San Francisco, has been arrested for stealing small amounts of gold daily for months past.

Capitalists of Berlin, through a Chicago firm, have made an offer to purchase the Ferris wheel. The wheel, which weighs 2,200 tons, will be shipped to Berlin.

In San Francisco, 500 pounds of plug-cut tobacco have been seized in various local stores by internal revenue agents, because the packages were insufficiently stamped.

Burglars in Chicago stole diamonds, jewelry and silverware valued at $40,000 from the home of Orrin W. Potter, the multi-millionaire and ex-president of the Illinois Steel Company.

The period of time allowed Spanish residents in the Philippines to elect whether they shall remain Spanish subjects or adopt the nationality of the territory in which they reside has expired.

Commodore William K. Mayo, died at his home in Washington, aged 76 years.

General Lee has been appointed to command the new department of Havana and Pinard de Rio.

Nicaragua has landed troops in Columbian territory. The nature of the movement is not understood.

A 2½-year-old child was scalded to death by falling into a tub of hot water and lye, near Ashland, Or.

Indians attempted to rescue the murderers of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Horton, but were driven off by Skagway troops.

The United States government denies the report that it has joined with other powers in threatening to land troops in China.

A vote on the resolution relative to the seating of M. S. Quay as senator from Pennsylvania, will be taken on April 24.

Thomas H. Tongue was renominated for congressman from the Second district on the first ballot at McMinnville, Or.

Texas and Lousiana, to guard against bubonic plague, may establish a quarantine against Chinamen coming from California.

An inventor of thorite has announced his willingness to sell the government the right to manufacture the explosive for $150,000.

The British bark Iranian, which sailed from New York, November 25, for Yokohama, has been wrecked on the Japanese coast.

The Building Trades Assembly, of Houston, Texas, has ordered a general strike in sympathy with the carpenters, causing 1,500 men to walk out.

Two negro murderers were executed at Summerville, Texas. When sentenced both asked for a deck of cards, and declined the offer of a Bible.

A minister of Ballard, Cal., near Santa Barbara, committed suicide by blowing the top of his head off with a shotgun. Temporary insanity was the cause.

Former Congressman Charles A. Towne, of Duluth, Minn., has announced himself as a candidate for the vice-presidential nomination on the Democratic ticket.

Great Britain's naval estimates amount to £30,000,000.

Buffalo Bill says 30,000 Mormons from Salt Lake will found a city in Wyoming.

Steamer Prairie, with American exhibits for the Paris exposition, has arrived at Havre.

It costs $4,400,000 a year to maintain the 24 royal palaces of Emperor William throughout the German

LATER NEWS.

Congress will adjourn in June.

The milk trust of Chicago is broken.

War taxes will not be reduced at this session of congress.

Great Britain will levy a tax on mines to pay the expenses of the war.

A burglar entered a saloon in Chehalis, Wash., and took $500 in silver.

Four men were killed and several injured in a drunken riot of coal miners near Johnstown, Pa.

Heavy rain and snow storms in the vicinity of Denver are causing much delay to railroad traffic.

John Hannigan, aged 63, one of the best-known horse trainers in the country, died at Mildale, Ky.

Two Mexican outlaws held up a gambling house in Johnson, Arizona, and killed a prominent mining man.

Rev. William J. Rutledge, of Jacksonville, Ill., prominent Methodist minister and originator of the G. A. R., is dead, aged 86.

The legislature of Trinidad has rejected the offer of Canada for reciprocal trade and adopted the convention with the United States.

Two hundred or 300 families bought 1,200 acres of land near Eugene, Or., with the intention of dividing it up into 40-acre tracts and working on the colonization plan.

Burglars at Toronto, Ont., dug through the nine-inch brick wall of the vault of St. Simon's church with crowbars and picks and stole $1,175, the Easter offering.

Conditions in famine-stricken India are deplorable. Sixty millions of people are suffering and 30,000,000 are in dire distress, and only 5,000,000 are receiving government aid.

In New York, Julius Koster, a bricklayer, who had inherited $300,000 from his brother's estate in Germany, was found dead, swinging from a rope in an empty water tank on the roof of his house. He had been ill, and the sudden change from poverty to riches affected his mind.

In New York, a school of voice culture was begun on a portentious scale at Carnegie Hall, under the direction of Giacomo Minkowsky, called the Metropolitan School of Voice and Singing. Edouard de Reezke and Mme. Nordica will give scholarships to the best gifted pupils under Minowsky. Maurice Grau and Andrew A. McCormick are lending their influence. Minkowsky is a composer of note.

The Paris exposition was formally opened.

Filipinos are again active near Manila.

One man was killed and a boy fatally injured in a $400,000 fire which occurred in Brooklyn.

During a fire in a coal mine near Pittsburg, Pa., one man perished and two others in the pit escaped.

During the siege of Ladysmith, General White's total losses from all causes were 169 officers nad 3,163 men.

British people insist on a change in the army service, owing to the unsatisfactory conduct of the campaign against the Boers.

Three men are said to have found gold in quartz formation within two miles of Joplin, Mo., which assays $40 to $80 a ton.

A Chinaman, possessing documents bearing the seal of the court of Peking, identifying him as emperor, was arrested at Wu Chang.

The University of Edinburgh, Scotland, conferred the degree of LL D. on Joseph H. Choate, United States ambassador to Great Britain.

At New York, 5,000 cigarmakers, employed by six of the largest firms in that city, have been locked out. No reason is given for the action.

Rufus Wright, a millionaire and treasurer of the firm of Morgan & Wright, bicycle tire manufacturers, was fatally shot by a woman in Chicago.

The cruisers Detroit and Marblehead and gunboats Bennington and Concord have been ordered out of commission, owing to the lack of a sufficient number of officers.

The Chinese government has sent 7,000 troops to Shan Ting to suppress the "Boxers." However, it is notorious that the majority of the troops are members of the same society.

The transport Lake Erie, with upwards of 500 Transvaal prisoners, including French, German and Russian members of the foreign legion, captured at Boshof, sailed from Cape Town for St. Helena.

The trial of Perico Pipin, who recently led a small uprising against the government of Santo Domingo, has ended with the conviction of the prisoner, who was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of $30,000 in gold.

Mrs. Kruger, wife of Oom Paul, on being interviewed, said that she trusted God would soon stop the merciless bloodshed, but that the republic would be victoriously defended, even if Pretoria were finally taken. She added that she had had in the field 33 grandsons, two of whom were killed, four sons, six sons-in-law, and numerous other relatives."

At a meeting of the De Beers company Cecil Rhodes said annual profits of diamond mines in Kimberley are $10,000,000.

Public sentiment in England insists upon absolute supremacy of Great Britain in the Boer states after the war's end.

A private cablegram from Port of Spain, Venezuela, says the British consul at Bolivar, named Lyons, has been assassinated

FRANCE'S GREAT EXPOSITION

The Gates Formally Thrown Open.

THE SHOW IS FAR FROM READY

Speeches of President Loubet and Minister Millerand—Completeness and Extent of American Exhibits.

Paris April 17.—The exposition of 1900 is open, but it will be at least a month before anything but buildings is to be seen. The day's ceremonies were a peculiar mixture of sumptuous splendor in the Salle des Fetes, and widespread confusion elsewhere. Nothing could have exceded the picturesque stage setting in the beautiful building in which the ceremonies were held, the gorgeous uniforms of the diplomats and soldiers, the splendid orchestra and chorus and the magnificent effect produced by the grand staircase, up which President Loubet proceeded to view the exposition, lined with some 200 picked men of the Republican guard, with jackboots, white breeches, gleaming cuirasses and horse-hair plumes streaming from shining helmets. At the top of this stairway was a room, the interior of which could be seen from the Salle des Fetes, and this was hung with priceless gobelins from the Louvre. Into this splendid apartment President Loubet entered and walked down the avenue to his boat. This part of the day's arrangement was perfect, but the rest was chaos.

The weather today was luckily all that could be desired. Fourteen thousand guests had been invited to the function, and they had, because of the fine weaber, only the dust to endure. Had the day been wet, the unrolled paths of the exposition grounds would have been turned into a mass of mud. The afternoon was a holiday in Paris by general consent, and a host of country people crowded into the city to swell the multitudes, who from an early hour serged in the direction of the exposition and took up positions along the route of the presidential procession and at the approaches to the grounds.

The immense number of guests practically swept the central streets clean of cabs, of which an unbroken stream, several deep, drifted slowly toward the gates between noon and 2:30 P. M. Drifted is the correct expression for the rate of progress, because the traffic arrangements were so inadequate that hundreds of vehicles did not reach the exposition at all, and the occupants were either left stranded en route or were obliged to abandon their carriages and proceed on foot. This was the expedient ordinarily adopted, even by several members of the diplomatic corps and two gorgeously attired officials of the Chinese embassy, after hastily walking several blocks, arrived in the Salle des Fetes just in time to hear the cheering at the conclusion of the ceremony.

TROOPS CALLED OUT.

To Suppress Italian Strikers at Croton Landing.

Croton Landing, N. Y., April 17.—While everything is quiet and peaceful in the neighborhood of the Cornell dam tonight, nearly 300 armed deputies are guarding the works, and each one of them is guessing as to what tomorrow may bring forth. The striking Italian laborers, whose homes are in the vicinity of the works, are behaving themselves excellently. But underneath their assumed quiet there is stubborn resolve not to go back to work nor let any outsiders take their places until the contractors agree to pay the increase of wages demanded. Strenuous efforts are being made by Italian Consul Branchi to bring about a settlement of the difficulty. The strikers are very determined in their demands, and swear that if outside labor is brought here they will fight tooth and nail to prevent it. Angelo Rotella, who is the recognized leader of the strikers, said today:

"This is a fight to a finish. We earn more money than we are receiving, and the contractors must pay us for our work. The state should protect us, and, instead of sending deputies and soldiers to help the bosses, they should compel them to treat us rightfully. If the bosses attempt to bring the other laborers here we shall prevent any work being done, and if the military comes to help them, then we will fight the soldiers."

Attempted Murder and Suicide.

Carbondale, Ill., April 16.—Gus Young, a prominent young man of Murphysboro, shot and wounded Miss Kate Van Clooster and then blew out his brains in a temporary fit of jealousy. Young was a real estate man and the lady was a member of one of the best families of Southern Illinois. She will recover.

Tornado's Work in Texas Town.

Dallas, Tex., April 17.—A special to the News from Royse, Tex., dated April 16, says:

"A tornado struck this place at midnight, and it is believed that several lives have been lost. Eight houses were wrecked, and at this hour the greatest excitement prevails.

Pitcher Purchased for $750.

Kansas City April, 17.—Manager Manning, of the Blues, has closed a deal with Pittsburg for Pitcher Chummy Gray, formerly of Buffalo, purchasing him for $750.

Chile Importing Wheat.

Santiago de Chile, via Galveston, Tex., April 17.—In consequence of the poor crops, wheat prices are advancing, and the situation will allow large importations from California.

CHINESE REIGN OF TERROR.

Powerful Viceroys Protest to the Empress Dowager.

Shanghai, April 16.—A full account has been received here of the meeting on March 5 at Peking between the empress dowager and the grand council. Protests were read from the viceroys and governors of nine of the 18 provinces against the policy of the empress dowager. These officials are the greatest provincial authorities in China. They declared unitedly that, if the empress dowager persists in persecuting the reformers and continuing her reign of terror policy, the Chinese under them will rebel against the Manchus.

The viceroy at Nanking says he has 140,000 Hunanese troops who are anxious to fight the Manchus, and he fears he cannot control them. The viceroys who united in this remarkable step represent the provinces of Kiang-Su, Anhui, Kiangsi, Hunan, Hupeh, Chekiang, Fookien, Quangsi and Kwangtung, with an aggregate population of 180,000,000.

Until this protest had been made, the dowager empress had been having things quite her own way. Though she has desisted from her purpose to set up a new emperor, yet her wrath towards those who opposed her has shown no abatement. It is unbounded. Kin Lien-Shan has been captured in the Portugese colony of Macao, off the South China coast, by Li Hung Chang's detectives. Mr. Kin fled from Shanghai last month. He is the manager of the national system of telegraphs in China, and headed the petition signed by 1,200 notables against setting up a new emperor. Probably he will be decapitated. An English law firm here has been retained to defend him. The government has trumped up charges of defalcation against Mr. Kin, who is really a very able and enlightened man.

On March 1 instructions were wired from Peking to Soo Chow, capital of Kiang-Su, to arrest and put to death the reformers Weng T'Ung-Ho and Shen Pong. These men had been in very important positions in Peking, but were easily captured in Soo Chow. The chief reformer, Kang Yu Wei, has fled to Singapore. The empress dowager has offered $100,000 for his body, dead or alive.

It is said that there is an official list, prepared by the Peking government, of the names of 300 reformers who are proscribed. A special list of over 35 names exists of those who are to be killed as soon as they are captured.

BUILDING COLLAPSED.

Three Persons Killed and Number Injured in a Pittsburg Accident.

Pittsburg, April 14.—Without warning and with a rush and a roar, the four-story brick building at the corner of Second avenue and Wood street collapsed today, burying in its ruins a number of people, three of whom were taken out dead, five were badly hurt, and several others slightly injured.

The building was occupied by the Armstrong, McKevy Lead & Oil Company. It was being remodeled by Contractors McGovern and Lyte, who were converting the lower floors of the corner store and that next door into one large room. About 48 feet of the middle partition had been removed, and steel girders, supported by heavy iron posts, were in place, and the finishing touches were being put on the remodeled work. The firm this morning began the transfer of its stock from one room to the other, and apparently centralized the heavy weight of the leads and oils about the middle of the structure. The collapse began by the second floor breaking through, carrying with it the two floors above, making a breach from top to bottom through the center of the building.

The fact that the rear portion of the building on Second avenue did not collapse saved many lives. It was in that part of the building that the offices were located, in which there were about 10 persons. Those who were in the rear portion of the building heard the crash and ran out of the side door into Second avenue and escaped. The loss of the firm will be about $40,000.

Mashona in More Trouble.

Cape Town, April 16.—The admiral in charge of the British fleet in these waters has refused to permit the British steamer Mashona, Captain Johnston, to proceed beyond Durban. The agents of the vessel announce that the cargo destined for Delagoa bay will be landed at Durban.

The British gunboat Partridge on December 8 captured the steamer Mashona, which had sailed from New York, November 3, via St. Vincent, November 6, for Algoa bay, loaded with flour for the Transvaal. The vessel and the foodstuffs were subsequently released on bond and the prize court on March 13 rendered a verdict that a portion of the cargo was condemned, but that the steamer was formally released.

Plague Riots in India.

Bombay, April 14.—Plague riots have taken place at Cownpore, where the segregation camp has been destroyed and 10 persons have been killed. The rioters killed five constables and threw their bodies into the burning camp. Order is now restored, but all business is suspended and the populace is sullen. Troops and volunteers are patrolling the city, guarding the mills and factories.

Chicago Tailors Will Fight.

Chicago, April 16.—A secret meeting of the Merchant Tailors & Drapers' Exchange was held last night. When the meeting broke up it was announced that the members of the exchange were opposed to receding in any particular from the stand taken in the fight with the Journeymen Tailors' Union in their demand for the back shop system.

The fire of genius is frequently extinguished by having cold water poured on it.—Chicago Daily News.

LUZON INSURGENTS ACTIVE

Attacked the Garrison at Batoo, North Ilocos.

REPULSED WITH A LOSS OF 106

Captain Dodd's Cavalry Force Surrounded a Village Capturing Many Prisoners—Report of a Gold Find.

Manila, April 18.—General Young reports that 300 insurgent riflemen and bolomen attacked the American garrison at Batoo, province of North Ilocos, yesterday, but were repulsed, losing 106 men. The Americans had no casualties.

Captain Dodd, with a squadron of the Third cavalry, recently surrounded a village in Union province, and surprised 200 insurgents living in barracks, it apparently being the recruiting center for the province. The enemy lost 53 men killed. Our troops also captured 44 men and burned the village. One American was wounded.

Gold in Luzon.

San Francisco, April 18.—The transport Tartar, which arrived Saturday afternoon from Manila, was released from quarantine today. The Tartar brought advices from the Philippines up to March 6. One of the reports from Manila is that William Odun, who is spoken of as a miner of large experience, has returned from a prospecting trip on the distant coast of Vigan. He showed rich specimens of gold, and declared that he had located a ledge of quartz as rich as anything in Colorado or California. He is organizing a company of ex-soldiers, and will go into the mountain districts of Vigan to secure claims. In an interview in the Manila Freedom, Odun says: "Never before did I see such indications of mineral wealth. I have traveled from the Klondike to South Africa, and I am convinced that there is not a much richer mineral country in the world than the Island of Luzon."

STEEL PLANTS SHUT DOWN.

Labor Troubles in Building Trades Given as the Reason.

Chicago, April 18.—Labor troubles in the building trades are stated by President John W. Lambert, of the American Steel & Wire Company, as reasons for orders issued today for the closing down of all the plants of the concern in the vicinity of Chicago and those of Joliet, Ill., excepting the Rockdale mill and the extensive plant at Anderson, Ind. Twelve plants were ordered closed. Thousands of skilled workmen were temporarily suspended by the action of the wire magnates. President Lambert said: "Labor troubles are at the bottom of it. Our market has been destroyed by the stopping of building labor, and we have had to shut down until the accumulated stock is sold."

New York, April 18.—John W. Gates, president of the American Steel & Wire Company, was seen today in reference to a dispatch from the West which stated that a number of constituents concerned in the main company had suspended operations. He confirmed the statement, and said that 12 of the mills have been shut down. They are located at Pittsburg, Cleveland, Joliet, Waukegan, Ill.; De Kalb, Ill.; Newcastle, Ind., and Anderson, Ind. Mr. Gates said the cause of the closing down of the mills was overproduction. He said he was unable to state when the mills would resume operations. When asked for his view as to the trade situation and outlook, Mr. Gates stated that the shut-down of the mills was the best evidence of the current situation. Mr. Gates made another statement later, in which he said the 12 mills which had been closed had a daily capacity of from 3,000 to 4,000 tons. It is said as many as 4,000 men, boys and girls will be affected by the shut-down.

Pittsburg, April 18.—The American Steel & Wire Company's mills closed in this district include those at Newcastle, Braddock, and the Oliver mill, on the South Side, Pittsburg. It is estimated that about 2,000 men are affected in this section.

Rain in Mississippi.

Meridian, Miss., April 18—Seven inches of rain has fallen in this city and vicinity since yesterday. The damage by high water will reach upwards of $200,000, and two fatalities have been reported. This city is surrounded on three sides by a vast expanse of water, and all trains are indefinitely delayed by disastrous washouts. Recently planted crops in the lowlands in a radius of 10 miles are under water, and citizens in flooded districts have fled to the highlands for safety. The dam of the Meridian Waterworks Company reservoir gave way this afternoon, and the damage will reach $10,000. Two negro boys who attempted to cross Sowashie creek, east of the city, this afternoon, were drowned. The rain is still falling in torrents. The storm is general throughout the state, and railway traffic is generally suspended, owing to washouts in all directions.

Anti-Lynching Law Invalid.

Columbus, O., April 18.—The supreme court today declared that the anti-lynching law is unconstitutional. The law provides that the heirs of any person who is lynched may collect $5,000 from the commissioner in the county in which the affair occurs. The decision was rendered in the cases of Click Mitchell, hanged by a mob at Urbana, and J. W. Caldwell, who was shot and beaten by strikers at Cleveland.

GAS MAIN EXPLO

One Man Instantly Killed ... Probably Fatally Inj...

Logansport, Ind., April ... much pressure and a piece of gas pipe in the mains of the Pipe Line Company at ... miles southeast of here was ... of a terrific explosion today. Michael Ellison, Jr., was killed, and five other men ... juries from which it is doubt... will recover. Twelve men ... trench repairing a leak in ... main, from which the gas ... transferred to an eight-inch ... it. The men were around the eight-inch main, and ... stooping over it when the ... ed. He was found 150 ... bones broken and having ... instant death. George ... charge of the work, was ... on the ground 30 feet away ... and dirt blown into his ... wrenched, and his clothes ... tered. Will Briggs ... was taken home uncon... laborers were knocked ... bruised in a frightful ... rest of the men escaped ... juries from flying dirt ... "T" weighs 1,000 pounds ... carried a distance of 50 ... plosion tore the ground ... of 400 feet, and was heard ... besides the heavy jar.

NATAL BOERS ...

Natives Report They Have ... Laagte Distr...

London, April 18.—... special, dated April ... natives report that the ... Laagte have retired ... berg. This information ... firm the report that the ... three important colliers ... Nek, completely destroy...

A Cape Town dispatch ... 3,000 horses have landed ... April 13, which indicates ... effort is being made to ... defect in the British ...

The chief Boer delegate ... companied by Dr. Leyds ... president of the Dutch ... The Hague, but the dele... gates create little specia... land.

Frederick Villiers, the ... correspondent, who arrived ... ampton today from the ... believed that the worst ... over, but that guerrilla ... continue for some time.

A bulletin issued at ... 13, reports that the ... 500 slaughtered oxen at ... that General Froneman ... feated the British, ca... in the direction of We... ently over the Orange ...

Troops Are at ...

Groton Landing, N. Y. ... The first bloodshed ... the strike at the Cornell ... life blood of Sergeant ... of the Eleventh separa... Mount Vernon, who was ... an unknown assassin ... lieving guard at 8:50 ... The wildest excitement ... troughout the camp as ... of the assassination spre... ent tents, and the soldi... over the crime. The ... sergeant fell is known ... which was in charge of ... Dowell. It is situated ... hill, near Little Italy ... strikers were seen drill... about early this morning ... rifles and shotguns. ... over the huge pile of ... from it one can command ... country on each side ... Croton valley.

Negro Shot Int...

Indianapolis, Ind., ... colored man riding a ... a crowd of 20 boys in ... this afternoon, wounding ... in the hip and George ... thigh. Both are serious... As the colored man ... crowd they began to ... fired. He then rode ... an infuriated mob of ... threw bricks, stones ... but failed to overtake ... "lynch him" were ... The man is said to have ... difficulty in the same ... month ago, and at that ... to shoot. The police ... the negro.

French Church ...

Paris, April 18.—The ... of Notre Dame des V... skirts of Paris, was ... evening or Monday ... dals, who, after pillag... fire. Several firemen ... jured by burning bra... of the church was found ... great disorder, and the ... sels are believed to have ... unless they are buried ... One of the huge bells ... sacristy and three others ... into the organ. Three ... leaving the church just ... was discovered.

Kansas City Carpe...

Kansas City, April ... over 400 union carpe... strike today for an in... to 37½ cents an hour ... ors offered 35 cents, but ... by the men.

Chattanooga, Tenn., ... through freight train ... railway struck a ... wrecked while running ... near Huntsville, Ala. ... down a steep emb... freight cars crowded ... turned engine and ... crushed to death in the ... neer Percy Armstrong ... borne, who had stuck ... Five of the train crew ... injured.