

EVENTS OF THE DAY

An Interesting Collection of Items From the Two Hemispheres Presented in a Condensed Form.

A creamery will be founded at Eugene, Or.

Prince Tuan and Prince Ching have been arrested.

New Zealand will send more troops to South Africa.

Yu Hsien was ordered to return to Sianan Fu to be executed.

Two men were killed as the result of an explosion in an Idaho mine.

The advance guard of Eastern sheep buyers have arrived at Heppner.

The foreign ministers believe China will accept the terms of the note.

Fifty-two Poles have been arrested in Vienna for alleged political conspiracy.

Fire in Eau Claire, Wis., destroyed half the business section. The loss is \$150,000.

The Weston, Or., school will ask the legislature to grant normal graduates diplomas under former conditions.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to blow up a hotel in Oklahoma territory. A suspect has been arrested.

Two noted Chicago scientists declare after long experiments, that the beating of the heart is caused by common salt in the blood.

James Patterson, for the past four years city treasurer of Aberdeen, Wash., is dead at his home in that city, aged 67 years.

A shooting affray occurred at Burke, Idaho, and as a result Pearley Gordon and Charles Beck are in the hospital suffering from shot wounds.

Alfred Harnsworth, editor and proprietor of the London Daily Mail, predicts a complete revolution in journalism during the coming century.

John Tiger, a full blooded Indian, living in Indian territory, while intoxicated, shot and killed three men and wounded a boy. He was captured.

A serious race war is expected at Cementville, a small Indiana town. The trouble was caused by two negroes getting intoxicated and trying to intimidate all the whites they met.

A French detachment of 100 men on their way from Tien Tsin to Hung Tau, were fired upon by Boxers as they approached a small village. One officer was killed and another wounded. The French burned the village.

Webb Jay, Indianapolis manager for the Fick Manufacturing Company, of Winsboro, Ill., and a prominent bowler, was arrested on a charge of embezzlement, preferred by S. B. Rinehart, president of the company. Mr. Rinehart states that the alleged shortage will not exceed \$8,000.

Dewet is the guiding genius of the Boers.

Minister Wu thinks the joint note demands too much.

Minnesota has experienced her first blizzard of the year.

The Japanese minister of communication has resigned.

Spokane has decided to hold a mineral fair during 1902.

Oregon has paid out nearly \$100,000 in scalp bounties during 1899.

Public attention in Germany is occupied with crime in high circles.

Kitchener reports that Boer invasion into Cape Colony has been checked.

Germany wants the sultan to pay its bill before buying an American warship.

Rebels are scattered in the provinces of Panay and Cebu, Philippine islands.

England will buy 50,000 horses and mules in the United States for army in South Africa.

Delay in negotiations has caused great change of sentiments as regards China in Japan.

A tornado did great damage in Alabama. News is meager, owing to all wires being down.

H. Phelps Whitmarsh has been appointed governor of the province of Benguet, Philippine islands.

Forty-five insurgents were killed and one American wounded in an encounter near Gunobatan, Philippine islands.

E. H. Southern, the well known actor, who has been laid up for some time by an accident, is entirely recovered.

A large portion of the Philippines must be abandoned unless the relief of the army is immediate, says Secretary Root.

The police are working on the case of Long, the Portland burglar recently arrested. It is thought that a charge of murder will be laid at his door.

The salmon output in the Northwest exceeds that of all former years.

In Prussia an income tax is levied on all whose income exceeds \$225 a year.

An agreement has been reached setting aside \$20,833 a month for Countess Castellane, Jay Gould's daughter.

H. M. Hanna, brother of the senator, gave a Cleveland hospital Northern Pacific preferred stock valued at \$82,000.

LATER NEWS.

The Scranton street car strike has been called off.

The kaiser is contemplating a visit to the United States.

Seattle has started a movement to suppress vice in that city.

Soldiers may have to be called out to quell a feud in Kentucky.

Coming Oregon Legislature will be asked to found normal school at Burns.

Edwin Bedford, a noted Kentucky cattle breeder, is dead, aged 63 years.

According to advices from Dawson another rich strike has been made near there.

Many Luzon insurgents have been captured as a result of scouting by Americans.

Kitchener reports that no progress is being made against Boer invaders in Cape Colony.

The Boers captured the British outposts at Helvetia, taking 200 prisoners and killing 50.

In an altercation over a game of cards, a South Carolina sheriff and two other men met death.

The report that Germany is negotiating to purchase the Danish Aestilles is denied in official Denmark circles.

The empress dowager will not be allowed to have anything to do with the naming of the new emperor of China.

Fire in Kansas City, Mo., for a time threatened several business blocks, but was got under control with small loss.

Severe snow storms prevail in Colorado, Missouri, Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska. In places railroad traffic is badly hampered.

The United States government has made an offer of \$3,000,000 for the Danish Antilles. This price is as high as the officials will go.

A bill will be introduced at the coming session of the Oregon legislature to reduce the railroad fare from 4 to 3 cents per mile.

The Philippine commission has added to the pending school bill a provision for the employment of 600 American teachers, at salaries ranging from \$75 to \$100 a month.

A train on the Henderson road was wrecked two miles east of Henderson, Ky., and five persons seriously injured. A coupling pin placed in the switch frog apparently by weckers caused the wreck.

Rumors of a cabinet crisis in Spain increase. Senor Sagasta, ex-premier, who has finally broken silence, declares that a change of ministry is inevitable on account of the differences in the cabinet, as well as in the ranks of its supporters.

Three children at Olympia were cremated alive.

There are said to be 30,000 lepers in the archipelago.

Massacres of native Christians in China continue.

Clemens cannot force the Boers from Magalies Berg.

The lumber industry in Eastern Oregon is rapidly growing.

A squadron of Yeomanry is said to have been captured by Boers.

Whitmarsh, the new governor of Benguet, is a British subject.

Stocks of wool in the United States exceed 350,000,000 pounds.

A receiver was appointed for the Old Town bank, at Baltimore.

The trial of Alford, the defaulting note teller, has been postponed.

The grandson of ex-Attorney-General Miller was abducted by his mother.

Kitchener is making little progress in driving the Boers from Cape Colony.

Robert Taylor, a well known resident of Ashland, committed suicide.

The holiday rush at the New York postoffice was the greatest ever known.

Three hundred students have been arrested in St. Petersburg for propagating Socialist doctrines.

Fontela, a Filipino refugee, says the United States will never succeed in subduing the Philippine islands.

Congress will be asked to recognize Hobson's gallantry in sinking the Merimao in the harbor of Santiago.

Fire partially destroyed the Methodist Episcopal church (colored) of Providence, Mo. The pastor was fatally burned.

In the event of England rejecting the Hay-Pauncefote treaty a new one may be negotiated at the next session of congress.

Boxers numbering 2,500 men attacked a French column. They were repulsed with heavy loss, leaving behind them 1,000 dead and wounded.

Inquiries into quarters most likely to be correctly informed show that nothing is known in Paris to justify the report circulated in the United States that Paderewski, the pianist, was killed in a duel in France.

A band of probably 50 men forced an entrance to the Green county, Ill., jail, with the intention of lynching a prisoner, but were foiled. The prisoner had been secretly removed to another jail.

King Victor of Italy had a narrow escape from drowning while viewing the flood in Rome.

Since the repeal of the Colorado law providing for capital punishment there have been 73 murders in Denver and vicinity.

Horseshoes weighing an ounce each and just a trifle larger than a silver dollar were turned out in a California shop for a Shetland pony six months old.

STOLE MAIL POUCH

Michigan Robbers Secured Over \$100,000.

REMARKABLE CASE OF CARELESSNESS

Station Agent Left the Sacks Unguarded Over Night in the Public Waiting Room—Letters Strawn Along the Track.

Detroit, Dec. 31.—A mail pouch containing \$100,000 in negotiable paper and an unknown amount of money was stolen from the Michigan Central passenger station at Wyandotte, Mich., some time last night. The last mail for Wyandotte arrives at 10:28 on the Michigan Central, and owing to the lateness of the hour it is left at the station until morning. When the two mail sacks were thrown from the train last night, Night Operator Richert threw the pouches under a seat in the corner of the waiting room. He then went to his home in Detroit. Today when Mail Carrier John McCleary came to the station for the mail sacks he missed one. About the same time George Bessy, a driver of an oil wagon, reported at the station that a pouch, ripped open and empty, was behind an oil tank a short distance from the station. At about the same time two employees of the J. B. Ford Alkali works found a number of checks and opened envelopes strewn along the railroad track. Postmaster Johnson, of Wyandotte, was notified and went at once to the scene. The trail of the thief was marked along the railroad track by strewn letters, checks and drafts. Most of the mail was intended for the J. G. Ford Company, and a force of clerks was sent out to collect the letters strewn along the track. J. B. Ford, Jr., said he expected a draft today from New York for \$40,000. The draft did not come, and it is believed that the robber or robbers took it, with other valuable papers, from the pouch.

GALE SWEEP COAST.

Havoc Wrought by Storm in English Channel—Many Wrecks Reported.

London, Dec. 31.—There has been a recurrence of storms and violent gales in the channel, and considerable damage has been wrought ashore. Telegraph lines are down in many places. Vessels are seeking shelter in the harbors, and a number of wrecks have been announced. The gale is so furious in the channel that the Continental services were suspended this evening.

Wales is said to have suffered the worst effect of the gale, both on land and sea, but everywhere the telegraph wires are much disorganized, and reports are therefore incomplete. Considerable damage to property inland is certain to be reported. Some 50 barges and sailing craft broke from their moorings in the Thames alone. At Oswestry a theater was destroyed.

The hurricane is increasing at Queenstown, where the observers say it is the fiercest storm in years. The Maria, laden with coal, sank at her anchorage. The mails are delayed.

In response to rockets from Eddystone light, Plymouth sent a dockyard tug with a lifeboat to assist what was reported to be a large steamer in distress in the channel.

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 vessels not yet identified, several have been wrecked or placed in great danger, the fate of some of the cross-channel steamers being in doubt. For instance, the Great Western Railway Company's steamer, plying between Milford and Waterford, is 12 hours overdue, and no tidings of her have been received. It would be impossible to enumerate all the minor casualties.

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Dynamite Explosion Killed Six Men at a Railroad Camp.

Keyser, W. Va., Dec. 31.—By a dynamite explosion at Baker Camp, near Darben, Pocahontas county, on the line of the Coal & Iron railway, now building out from Elkins, six men were killed and several others fatally injured. The accident happened yesterday while the men were at dinner. Some dynamite had been placed about the stove to thaw, and shortly after a terrific explosion wrecked the camp, killed three men outright and injured eight others, three of whom have since died. The three men were blown to atoms, legs, arms and hands and even parts of their bodies being found in different directions from the building in which they lived. The names are not obtainable tonight.

Minister Buck Coming Home.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 31.—A private telegram received here from Colonel A. E. Buck, United States minister to Japan, says he has sailed for San Francisco en route home.

Stage Fell Over a Cliff.

Ouray, Colo., Dec. 31.—In a runaway accident about three miles above the city the Red Mountain stage was overturned and six passengers precipitated over a cliff about 70 feet in height. Mrs. R. S. Hickey, a passenger on the coach, received serious and perhaps fatal injuries. The driver, John Bates, sustained a compound fracture of the right leg and many body bruises. Other passengers were more or less injured.

KITCHENER'S TASK.

Unable Yet to Drive Boers From Cape Colony—Disturbed Area Growing.

London, Dec. 28.—The paucity and obscurity of the dispatches from South Africa give rise to renewed anxiety. Apparently the disturbed area of Cape Colony extends further south than it did last December, and Lord Kitchener does not appear to have much success as yet in driving back the invaders.

The war office had received no news last evening of the reported capture of yeomanry near Bristown.

A Burghesdorp dispatch had a mysterious reference to an "unfortunate mistaking of the enemy for Ibrahim's Horse, which resulted in the sounding of 'cease firing' and enabled the Boers to occupy the commanding positions, the British retiring from a difficult predicament."

General Clements' success against the Boers in the Magalies Berg region is also doubtful, the last dispatch reporting that "it was considered advisable not to force the Boers from their position."

The British press continues in the main optimistic, but the condition of affairs brings home the enormous difficulties that will face Lord Kitchener in patrolling and policing such immense tracts of country, even when the Boers shall be finally subdued.

The Daily Mail, which makes a strong appeal to the government to "face the facts and send Lord Kitchener more troops," says: "There is a real risk in being lulled to sleep by carefully censored messages."

Lord Kitchener, according to a dispatch from Johannesburg, has issued a proclamation, dated Pretoria, December 20, announcing that burghers who voluntarily surrender will be allowed to live with their families in the government laagers until such time as guerrilla warfare has sufficiently abated to admit of their returning in safety to their homes. The proclamation also promises that all property and stock brought in at the time of surrender will be respected and paid for, if requisitioned by the military authorities.

THE SCRANTON STRIKE.

More Imported Men Induced to Change Their Minds and Join the Strikers.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 28.—Fifty-three more men recruited in New York to take the places of the strikers on the Scranton Railroad Company arrived tonight, but before the train had come to a full stop the strikers and their sympathizers boarded the car, and by using arguments and exhortations induced all but 18 of them to agree to return to New York. They are being cared for at strikers' headquarters, and will be furnished transportation home. There was no violence and no angry words, although not infrequently the company's agents and the strikers' missionaries would be working on the same men at the same time.

The company had only 12 men left to run the cars today. Five cars were run out, but few passengers were carried.

The company is fitting up an improvised hotel in the Linden street car barn for the accommodation of the imported men. The hotels refuse to receive them, and the merchants refuse to furnish supplies. Three men were coaxed off the cars this afternoon and sent away by the strikers. General Manager Silliman says the company will have cars running on all the lines tomorrow.

Wilcox's Big Mileage.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Robert H. Wilcox, delegate in the house of representatives from the Hawaiian islands, has just been paid a claim of \$1,000 for mileage. It was the largest claim of the kind ever made, but it was paid promptly by the sergeant-at-arms of the house. Every congressman is entitled to mileage at the rate of 20 cents per mile, "by the most direct and practicable route from his home to Washington and return." The distance between Honolulu and Washington is figured at 5,000 miles. Mr. Wilcox will draw \$500 more for his return trip.

Cashed Worthless Checks.

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 28.—L. D. Savage, stenographer in the office of City Attorney J. C. Cross, yesterday swindled many business men by inducing them to cash worthless checks in sums ranging from \$15 to \$40. Savage made out the checks payable to himself. He had but little trouble in getting them cashed.

Pardons for Porto Ricans.

New York, Dec. 27.—A dispatch to the Herald, from San Juan, Porto Rico, says: Governor Allen has celebrated the holiday season by extending executive clemency to 24 prisoners in Porto Rican jails. He has pardoned 17 murderers and homicides and seven thieves.

Arrested for Stage Robbery.

Lakeview, Or., Dec. 28.—Bob Oglesby, driver of the Lakeview-Paisley stage, was arrested tonight by Postmaster Wilcox for the robbery of that stage December 21. Money that he took from the mail has been identified.

Andree's Brother Gives Up Hope.

London, Dec. 28.—The brother of Andree, the missing aeronaut, says a dispatch from Copenhagen to the Daily Mail, despairing of his return from the Arctic regions, has finally opened his will.

Another Chinese Envoy.

London, Dec. 28.—It is asserted in Shanghai, according to a dispatch to the Times, that Cheng, is going to Peking, having been appointed to assist in the negotiations.

OREGON STATE NEWS

Items of Interest From All Parts of the State.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL HAPPENINGS

A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth.

Condon is digging another city well. The Salem tax levy for 1901 will be 10 mills.

The Oregon Agricultural College has 400 students.

Dallas will refund its debt of \$2,500 at a lower rate of interest.

Pendleton water consumers will have to use meters after April 1.

The sheriff of Grant county has collected over \$25,000 since July.

Several farmers of Goose Lake valley are boring for artesian water.

There are now about 80 logging camps on Lake creek and Stuslaw.

The treasurer of Lake county has received a large sale for his office.

Mark Wolf, of Perrydale, killed a silver fox near that place a few days ago.

Emmet Kimberland was fined \$25 at Prairie City for having stolen a quantity of barley.

The Garibaldi beach roadway is reported washed out in places, and filled with driftwood.

A petition is being signed asking for the construction of a new steel bridge at Cottage Grove.

McKinley Mitchell, of Gervais, is shipping large quantities of potatoes to the Arizona market.

A carload of tile has been received at Creswell from Salem for the purpose of draining the town.

In the recent storm the surf washed away Mr. McMillen's house at the mouth of the Nehalem.

Peter Peterson, of Surprise valley, has purchased 2,300 head of young sheep from George Ehrhardt.

Persons who have been hunting geese in Sherman county, say they find birds scarce there ever known.

Business men of Pendleton are canvassing for a \$5,000 fund with which to erect a Y. M. C. A. building.

Thomas Martin and sons are figuring on building a creamery at Merrill next spring. The institution will begin business with milk of 250 cows.

Two colts, belonging to Charles Habershon and Frank Kargl, of Condon, got into a granary several days ago and died from the effects of overfeeding.

A new wire cable in use on the ferry connecting Kiger island with the main land was stolen the other day. The wire was 300 feet long. There is no clew to the thief.

Professor Merrill left Central Point several days ago without giving his address. He also left some board bills unpaid, and forgot to leave the church and organ keys of the Baptist church.

Granite has refused to allow a liquor license to a dealer who persists in keeping his saloon in the street. He claims the right to remain because he was there before the town was incorporated.

A freighter who passed through Antelope last week said the road down Antelope canyon was getting to be in good condition and that hereafter teams which have been going by Cow canyon will go that way.

Active work is progressing in the Liberty mine at Riverton, under the supervision of Superintendent Campbell. Ten men are at work, and it is expected that the output will reach 5 tons a day in the course of a few weeks.

It is proposed to establish one or two rural free delivery routes from Pendleton. The one most talked about is that leading up Wild Horse creek, northeasterly from Pendleton, thence across the country to Fulton, thence back to Pendleton.

H. T. Anderson, whose ranch is situated four miles northwest of Merrill, is building a reservoir a quarter of a mile in area. It will not only irrigate 400 acres for himself, but will be of sufficient capacity to contribute water to other land in the neighborhood.

A fatal accident occurred at Glendale. A young colored man, fairly well dressed, who had been in Roseburg a day or two, had managed to beat his way that far on the overland. Being put off there he attempted to get upon the brakes of the local. In the darkness he missed his hold and fell between the wheels of the moving train. His right leg was cut off at the thigh and the left was terribly crushed and mangled. He was picked up and cared for by the people there, but lived only an hour or two. He said that his name was Lane Hopkins, and that his parents were wealthy and lived upon one of the finest avenues in Los Angeles.

The new ferry at the Liverpool crossing of the Long Tom will be in operation this week. The ferryman is Mr. Brown, who resides near the crossing. For running the ferry he is to receive \$2 per month. The boat used is that of J. M. Herron. It was in use last winter at the Bundy crossing of the Long Tom, but is no longer needed there by reason of the completion of the drawbridge. For the use of the boat a monthly rental of \$5 is to be paid. The cable for the ferry was hired from Mr. Rickard for a monthly fee of \$1.

BROKE THROUGH ICE.

Drowning of Forty-nine School Children Near Foster, Iowa.

Davenport, Ia., Dec. 31.—A startling rumor is current here that 49 school children were drowned while skating on the river near Foster, Ia. It is impossible to confirm the report. A traveler who arrived at Seymour, Ia., 15 miles west of Foster, early today, states he left Foster late last evening and knew nothing of such an accident.

Say Report is True.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 31.—Telephone messages by way of Okaloosa and Ottumwa say the report of the drowning of 49 school children at What Cheer is true. The children were skating on a pond near the fair grounds and the accident occurred about 9 o'clock in the evening. Wire communication with What Cheer cannot be obtained at present.

No Particulars Obtainable.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—A special to the Record from Des Moines, Ia., says: At 2 o'clock this morning communication was secured with the mayor's office in Okaloosa over the telephone, and it was stated there that information had been received from Ottumwa confirming the rumor that 49 children had been drowned in What Cheer, this state.

It was stated that the children had been skating on a pond near the fair grounds. There were only a few escapes. The tragedy occurred about 9 o'clock in the evening. Beyond the no particulars were known in Okaloosa. What Cheer cannot now be reached by wire.

Through the office of a telephone company at Indianapolis it was learned from the Okaloosa office that the Ottumwa office had learned that the rumor of the drowning of 49 children was true. No particulars could be obtained.

DAMAGES FOR LYNCHING.

After a Long Suit a Woman Gets \$4,000 for the Killing of Her Husband.

Chicago, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Lulu C. Jennings, now of Chicago, has just been awarded \$4,000 for the lynching of her husband in Ripley county, Ind., three years ago. The money will be paid over by the eight bondsmen of ex-Sheriff Henry Bushing, and is the result of a private settlement of the indemnity suit instituted by the widow three months after the murder. This puts an end to a case that has aroused attention all over the United States.

William Jenkins was one of five men lynched in September, 1897, for alleged complicity in the stealing of a horse from Lisle Levi, of Osgood, Indiana. Levi also was a victim of the mob. The men killed were Robert Andrews, Heine Schuter, William Jenkins, Clifford Gordon, a 17-year-old boy, and Lisle Levi, an aged soldier. There was a fight in which shots were fired at a deputy sheriff.

Jenkins, with the others, was arrested and taken to jail at Versailles, Ind. Mrs. Jenkins, suspecting that mob violence was brewing, walked from Osgood to Versailles at night and paced the streets till dawn, armed with a revolver. For several hours she waited under the window of her husband's cell, ready to challenge any who came to do him harm. Her fears being finally allayed, Mrs. Jenkins started for home. No sooner was she out of sight than a mob gathered. Dragging out the five men, the mob killed them in succession by beating them over the head with a musket stock.

Mrs. Jenkins was compelled to flee to save her own life, coming to Chicago. Here she brought suit for \$5,000 damages against Sheriff Bushing's bondsmen before Judge Baker in the United States circuit court. The suit dragged along for three years and finally the bondsmen decided to settle outside of court.

Mrs. Jenkins, when compelled several months ago to go to Kipley county to attend the trial of the case, was protected by a body guard of government detectives. She will go to Versailles next week to get the \$4,000.

Found an American Diamond Mine.

Alamo Gordo, Dec. 31.—A prominent railway official here today received a box of 50 gems closely resembling and alleged to be diamonds found near Capitan, the coal camp on the line of the El Paso & Northeastern railway company, 80 miles north of this place. The stones were found by J. J. Blow, formerly associated with the De Beers Consolidated company at Kimberly, South Africa, who has been secretly investigating the field for the past month, and a letter from him accompanying the shipment states that they are either diamonds or something so closely resembling the gem that they deceive him. They will successfully stand every crude test known. The gems will be sent away for final analysis.

Mother and Children Perished.

Brookville, Pa., Dec. 31.—Fire today destroyed the residence of Mrs. Harriger, and the mother and two daughters, aged 5 and 7, perished.

Burned to Death.</