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NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR MANY READERS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week in a Condensed Form.

Consul-General Stowe says the Boer war is nearly ended.

Kruger's mission to Europe was frustrated by the Kaiser.

Nine men were killed in a train wreck near Susan, Cal.

The Isthmian canal commission recommends the Nicaragua route.

Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, introduced a bill to admit Oklahoma as a state, with two representatives.

A report comes from Queen Charlotte island that the Indians there are short of food. Their wants will be attended to.

It is reasserted in Tien Tsin that the Germans lost 20 killed and many wounded west of Pao Ting Fu, where they were attacked by 2,500 Boxers.

Congressman Driggs introduced a resolution in the house requiring the secretary of war to investigate the practice of "hazing" at West Point.

Senator Pettigrew introduced a resolution in the senate calling upon the postmaster-general to send to the senate any information he may have in his possession concerning postal frauds in Cuba.

Tanz Wang Huang, author of the outrages upon the Pao Ting Fu missionaries, was paraded through the streets of Tien Tsin in a cart under a strong German guard, previous to being handed over to the provisional government for decapitation.

The state of Louisiana established a quarantine station at El Paso, Texas, to guard against the possible introduction of bubonic plague into that state from the far East by way of the Pacific coast.

The Louisiana health office will work in conjunction with the Texas inspectors.

Frank Hawley, an American electric promoter, is now in London in the interest of an American syndicate.

Mr. Hawley says the capitalists he represents are ready to spend no less than \$4,000,000 in the construction of electric surface roads in London and to the suburbs to a radius of 30 miles. Not a penny of British capital will be asked. He expresses himself as confident that the undertaking will be a financial success.

Major Wood, commanding the Canadian mounted police in the Yukon territory, who collects the royalties on gold, reports the collections this year on the Klondike output as amounting to nearly \$900,000, about \$100,000 more than was received last year. Ten per cent of the gold mined is supposed to be paid to the government, which would indicate the Klondike output for the season to have been only \$9,000,000, but the general estimate has placed it at nearly \$20,000,000.

Salem, Or., re-elected its reform municipal officers.

The ship subsidy bill will displace the Phillips bill.

Kruger wept at Emperor William's refusal to meet him.

Five men were killed by the blowing up of a power house in Chicago.

The short session of the Fifty-sixth congress was successfully opened.

Colorado game wardens arrested 18 Mormons who had killed 30 deer.

Robbers blew up a Silverton, Or., bank, but failed to get at the cash.

A strange woman is exciting the Papago Indians to be guided by their dreams.

Congressman Lacey and Senator Teller are in favor of offering homes to the Boers.

Oscar L. Boze, a West Point cadet, is dying from the effects of a burning drink given him by hazers.

A drunken man was killed and his body derailed a heavy locomotive on the O. R. & N., near Hood River, Oregon.

Rev. William Howard Day, D. D., general secretary of the A. M. E. Second church, died at Harrisburg, Pa., aged 73 years.

Rev. Patrick Feehan, archbishop of the Catholic archdiocese of Chicago, will retire from the active management of his office with the close of the present year.

General W. L. White, ex-quarter-master-general of the Michigan National guard, pleaded guilty to complicity in state military clothing frauds, and was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

John Baines, a constable, was murdered at Dallas, Tex., by burning. His clothing had been saturated with turpentine and ignited. Both eyes were burned out. John Chapman and Ed Faulkner, saloon keepers, were arrested, charged with the murder.

A correspondent of Santiago de Cuba says the natives there are becoming adepts in the American game of baseball. Havana may yet bid for a place in the National league.

A celebrated English physician says that he has found that warts can be cured by revaccination. He revaccinated a girl of 15 who had 94 warts on one hand, and seven weeks after the operation the warts had all disappeared. Many other remedies had been tried in vain.

LATER NEWS.

Germans are still excited over the Kruger incident.

Japan is much disturbed by Tokio municipal scandals.

The Oregon school fund losses an average of \$40,000 a year.

The river and harbor committee is cutting down all estimates.

The Philippines commission has prepared a tariff for the islands.

The execution of Yu Hsien is certain whenever envoys demand it.

The Chinese question is again said to be approaching a settlement.

Fifty-two Filipino prisoners have been taken by American troops.

Eulogies were pronounced in the house on the late Representative Harmer.

Russia says all credit for securing existing entente belongs to United States.

Johannesburg will be fenced around with barb wire to cut off Boers' food supply.

United States Consul Goodnow, at Shanghai, will return home on leave of absence.

Netherlands disavows responsibility for sympathetic letter to minister to Kruger.

Senate will devote the present week to Hay-Pauncefote treaty and ship subsidy bill.

The naval appropriation bill will provide for two more battleships and two cruisers.

Delegate Wilcox, of Hawaii, strongly opposes importation of negro labor into the islands.

Envoys take removal of General Tung Fu Hsiang to mean that government desires peace.

Establishment of ship subsidy bill as regular order will displace Nicaragua canal measure.

Bills for the reduction of war revenue tax and legislative appropriations will likely pass the house this week.

Robert W. Wilcox, Hawaii's delegate-elect to congress, has arrived in San Francisco, enroute to Washington.

Kruger was officially received by Queen Wilhelmina. The queen has promised to show her friendship when the proper moment arrives.

A railway bridge collapsed in Germany, letting an express train plunge into the stream below. Five persons were killed and eight badly injured.

Six hundred telegraph operators on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, have walked out in sympathy with the operators on the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe road.

The ministers at Peking have reached an agreement.

The new war revenue bill will reduce taxation \$40,000,348.

The pension roll for the coming year will call for \$142,000,000.

The governor of Shanghai publicly executed 80 Boxer leaders.

Secretary Gage's estimate for government expense is \$626,741,762.

George von L. Meyer, of Boston, will be appointed ambassador to Italy.

Charles A. Towne accepted the appointment of senator from Minnesota.

McCall made a sensational speech in the house against holding the Philippines.

A small American force routed a band of rebels at Santo Domingo, Luzon.

Contract for erection of Salem, Or., postoffice has been awarded to a Chicago firm.

In a street duel in a West Virginia town a minister was killed by a prominent lawyer.

It is estimated that taxable valuation of Oregon for 1900 will be about \$2,000,000 less than in 1899.

Fire in the Cambridge, Ohio, works of the American Tinplate Company, caused a loss on finished tin alone of between \$175,000 and \$200,000.

John Luke Hely-Hutchinson, fifth earl of Donoghmore, at one time assistant commissioner in Eastern Roumania, died of paralysis, in London.

Robbers raided the office of the Western Lumber Company in Portland, Or., just before the employees were ready to receive their November wages in coin, and secured \$4,700.

At New York, the Fasig-Tipton Company closed the most successful auction sale of trotting and pacing horses in its history. The proceeds of the sale were \$352,180 for 702 horses, an average of about \$500 a head.

Fire in the upper store room of Haywood Bros. and the Wakefield Kattan Company at Boston, caused a loss of \$150,000, of which \$75,000 was the stock and building of Haywood Bros. and the Wakefield Company and the rest to the building adjoining.

A serious cave-in occurred at the Ray Ag. mine, near Dunore, Pa. Fifty-one men were entombed. The rescuing party, after nearly three hours' hard work, succeeded in digging into the chamber in which the men were entombed. All were rescued, not one being seriously injured.

The last enumeration shows a large falling off in the number of book agents, which in itself is a good augury in favor of taking the census every five instead of every 10 years.

The Connecticut woman who has been a physician because he changed her complexion from that of a blond to a brunette really ought to have a little patience. The brunette will be in fashion again before long, and then she will be glad of the change. But woman always was an impulsive creature.

McKINLEY'S MESSAGE

Recommendations for Civil Government in the Philippines.

REVIEW OF THE CHINESE QUESTION

The History of a Year—The West Indies—Operations of the Departments—Other Foreign Questions.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—President McKinley's message went to Congress today. It follows:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

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and maintaining spheres of influence in China the circular proposals of 1899, inviting from them declarations of their views on the desirability of the adoption of measures insuring the benefits of equality of treatment of all foreigners throughout China.

With stratifying unanimity, the responses coincided in this common policy, enabling me to see in the successful termination of these negotiations a proof of the friendly spirit which animates the various powers interested in the untrammeled development of commerce and industry in the Chinese Empire as a source of vast benefit to the whole commercial world.

Powers Acted in Concert.

In this connection which I had the gratification to announce as a completed engagement to the interested powers March 30, 1899, I hopefully discern a potential factor for the achievement of the desired foreign purposes, which for a year past had appeared to inspire the policy of the imperial government, and for the effective exertion by it of power and authority to quell the critical and foreign movement in the northern provinces most immediately influenced by the Manchurian settlement.

Seeking to testify confidence in the willingness of the Chinese government to redress the wrongs and prevent the evils we suffered and feared, the marine guard, which had been sent to Tientsin in 1899, was withdrawn, and the protection of the Legation, was withdrawn at the earliest practicable moment, and the Chinese Government proved, however, that it was not alone in the heart of the Boxers and appeared to be a prey to internal dissensions. In the unequal struggle, which the Chinese Government had undertaken, the Chinese Government had gained the ascendancy, under the leadership of Prince Tuan. Organized armies of soldiers, with which the imperial force had demonstrated its superiority, had been sent to the coast, penetrated into Manchuria up to the Russian border and through the interior of the empire, and had been successful in the destruction of property and the slaughter of native converts were reported from the provinces of Shantung and Yunnan, already permeated with hostile sympathies, could make no effective resistance to the assaults of the Legation.

At this critical juncture, in the early Spring of the year, a proposal was made by the Chinese government to combine a fleet of Chinese vessels with the fleet of the United States, and to make a moral demonstration, under cover of which to exact of the Chinese Government a small force of marines was sent to Tientsin and to Peking for the protection of the American Legation.

Other powers took similar action until the Chinese government was left alone as a legal guarantor.

Still the peril increased. The Legation, still the development of the situation was such that the Chinese government was left alone as a legal guarantor.

Increased provision for defense against it.

Taking of Taku Forts.

While preparations were in progress for the taking of the forts, the Chinese government was left alone as a legal guarantor.

Increased provision for defense against it.

Relations With Germany.

Good will prevails in our relations with the German Empire. An amicable adjustment of the long pending question of the indemnity for the destruction of the legation in Peking has been reached.

One of the principal companies has already been established, and the way is opened for the resumption of the railway.

The settlement of the Samoan problem, to which I adverted in my message, has accomplished good results. Peace and contentment prevail in the islands, especially in the island of Samoa, where the administration that has been in