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CHAPTER XIX.

Of that night's fatal work the country- side remains in complete ignorance. Of Mr. Dysart's sudden death it hears the following morning with a feeling of strong curiosity...

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EVENTS OF THE DAY

FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF THE WORLD.

A Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in a Condensed Form, which is Most Likely to Prove of Interest to Our Many Readers.

The worst blizzard in years is raging in North Dakota.

Japan's foreign trade shows a substantial increase.

The emigration from Germany in 1901 was the smallest in years.

Captain A. S. Crowninshield has been promoted to a rear admiral.

Fifteen of the leaders of the students' riots in Moscow have been deported to Siberia.

A number of British and Americans

day, when the sound of carriage wheels on the gravel outside the window, the echo of a resounding knock, startled her out of her contemplated repose.

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SKYSCRAPERS IN DANGER.

Their Steel Framework, Says a Chicago Man, is Rapidly Corroding.

Chicago, March 18.—The steel framework in many of the big buildings in the business district of Chicago is corroding, making them very dangerous. It is only a question of a few years when those buildings will fall to the ground.

The speaker explained that his statements were based on personal observations and investigations. "The steel framework imbedded in concrete will last 2,000 years," he said, "but the steel framework in many of the big buildings is left free to the action of the air and gases which circulate through the tile and a space about the steel. The owners of these structures have the steel painted with oil. This oil will withstand the corroding

NEWS OF THE STATE

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF OREGON.

Commercial and Financial Happenings of Importance—A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth—Latest Market Report.

The Coquille creamery has resumed operations.

Construction of a creamery has begun near Myrtle Point.

The town of Haines, Union county, has been incorporated.

A crusade against gambling has been inaugurated at Oregon City.

The Woodmen of the World are building a hall at Dusty, Benton county.

Several men in Salem have been found to have registered in more than one precinct.

The regular election of officers for the city of Florence for the ensuing year will be held April 1.

Nearly 13 inches of rain fell at Grants Pass during February, which breaks the record for any one month.

The town council of Prairie City has passed an ordinance prohibiting the use of tobacco in all public meeting places.

From March 1, 1901, to March 2, 1902, there were 19,600 acres patented from the government to Wasco county.

Representative Tongue condemns the move to hamper improvement of Lower Columbia by pitting it against the upper river.

Papers throughout the state report that taxpayers are taking advantage of the 3 per cent rebate for prompt payment, and the new law is meeting general approval.

The market for Oregon prunes in the East is improving. Every pound shipped this past year has been disposed of, and dealers say they could have sold more had they had them.

H. V. Gates, promoter of the proposed telegraph and telephone line from Ashland to Lakeview and other points has filed an application with the Lake county court for a right of way along the public highway.

The Umatilla county Republican convention met in Pendleton March 12 and nominated a full country ticket and delegates to the state and congressional conventions. The delegates were instructed to work for Williamson for congress and Furnish for governor.

Agitation has been started in La Grande for a \$25,000 public building.

The first ticket in the field in Coos county was that of the Socialist party.

Twenty-six homestead entries were filed at the Oregon City land office during February.

The Clackamas county Socialists held their convention in Oregon City March 8 and nominated a full ticket.

From six to twelve contracts for 1902 hops are filed in Salem every day. Prices range from 1 1/4 to 1 3/4 cents.

Forty thousand pounds of hops, owned by G. W. Perkins, of North Yamhill, sold at 1 1/4 cents per pound a few days ago.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 65@65 1/2; bluestem, 66@66 1/2; Valley, 65@65 1/2. Barley—Feed, \$20@21; brewing, \$21@21.50 per ton. Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.15@1.25; gray, \$1.10@1.20. Flour—Best grades, \$2.80@3.40 per barrel; graham, \$2.50@2.80. Millstuffs—Bran, \$19 per ton; middlings, \$21; shorts, \$21.50; chop, \$17.50. Hay—Timothy, \$12@13; clover, \$7.50@8; Oregon wild hay, \$5@6 per ton. Potatoes—Best Burbanks, \$1.10@1.25 per cental; ordinary, 70@80¢ per cental, growers' prices; sweets, \$2@2.25 per cental. Butter—Creamery, 25@30¢; dairy, 18@22¢; store, 13@15¢. Eggs—14¢ for Oregon. Cheese—Full cream, twins, 13@13 1/2¢; Young America, 14@15¢; factory prices, 10 1/2¢ less. Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$4.00@5.00; hens, \$5.00@6.00 per dozen, 11@12¢ per pound; springs, 11@12¢ per pound, \$3@4¢ per dozen; ducks, \$5@6 per dozen; turkeys, live, 12@13¢, dressed, 14@16¢ per pound; geese, \$6@7 per dozen. Mutton—Gross, 4¢ per pound; dressed, 7@7 1/2¢ per pound. Hogs—Gross, 5 1/2¢; dressed, 6 1/2@7¢ per pound. Veal—8@8 1/2¢ for small; 7@7 1/2¢ for large. Beef—Gross, cows, 3 1/2@4¢; steers, 4@4 1/2¢; dressed, 6 1/2@7 1/2¢ per pound. Hops—12@13¢ per pound. Wool—Valley, 13@15¢; Eastern Oregon, 8@12 1/2¢; mohair, 21@21 1/2¢ per pound. Snuff is coming into fashion again, says the London Daily Chronicle, with the early Victorian fashions. Snuff taking increases the size of the nose and keeps it in a state of perpetual irritation. Australia has, proportionately, more churches than any other country, the number being 6,013, or 210 churches to every 100,000 people. England has 144 churches to every 100,000; Russia only 55 to the same number.



SOLDIERS MONUMENT AT OLYMPIA, WASH.

have been imprisoned in Ecuador without cause.

Andrew D. White, United States minister to Germany, is making preparations to retire.

A tornado in Alabama resulted in the death of one person and the serious injury of several others.

The Northern Pacific strike at Missoula, Mont., has been declared off and all men who were out will be reinstated.

The labor situation in Boston is gradually assuming normal conditions, and in a few days all those who went out on strike are expected to be at work again.

Oil has been struck near Denver.

The house has passed the postoffice appropriation bill.

The international treaty on warfare has been ratified by the senate.

A bill is before congress increasing the number of senators in proportion to the population.

The Spanish cabinet has resigned. The queen regent will take steps to form a Liberal ministry.

Severe earthquakes in Asia Minor have resulted in the death of hundreds of people and an immense loss of property.

A bill has been introduced in the senate for the relief of Eastern Oregon settlers who were dispossessed by land companies.

The Danish Treaty. Copenhagen, March 18.—The president of the landing, Dr. Matson, who is opposed to the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States, seems inclined to delay consideration of the treaty. He has called the first meeting of the landing for March 19. The press criticizes his attitude, on the ground that the delay is considered discourteous to the United States. It is thought a few of the president's own party will support the government.

BATTLE OF AGUA DULCE.

Eight Hundred Men on Both Sides Reported to Have Been Killed.

Colon, Colombia, March 17.—The following report was obtained from the government troops, which arrived here yesterday from Bocas del Toro: Upon finding the revolutionary attack upon Agua Dulce, February 23, to be irresistible, owing to the enemy's superior numbers, their artillery and their supplies of ammunition, General Castro tried to retreat to David and Chiriqui, which towns were known to be held by the revolutionists under Quintana and Perez. This is a long and tiresome march of over 200 miles. Shortly after leaving Horcofios a small body of government troops was met. These men reported that Colonel Luque had been killed in battle and that the revolutionists were in possession of David. General Castro, therefore, decided to try to effect the difficult march across the mountains to Bocas del Toro. The march occupied 17 days, during the last five of which bananas were the only obtainable food. Drinking water was plentiful.

General Castro's soldiers report that 800 men were killed on both sides during the fighting at Agua Dulce. The revolutionists lost 550 and the government forces 250 men. It is also said that the Indian chief, Lorenzo, and his half-caste Indians participated in the attacks and killed many of the government soldiers with machetes. The rifle fire during the Agua Dulce battle was deadly and persistent. The din of the rifles was so great that the cannon fire could not be heard. The slaughter and massacre at this battle are described as something awful.

The government is confident that the revolutionists are still unable to take either Colon or Panama. Reinforcements will doubtless arrive here from the interior.

Colonel Uribe, cousin of General Uribe-Uribe, was killed in the battle of Agua Dulce.

FIGHT AN OLD ONE.

Charges Against Ambassador Powell Clayton Originated Months Ago.

Washington, March 17.—The charges against Ambassador Powell Clayton, submitted to the state department, were forwarded to him in order that he may make reply if he cares to do so. It appears that the fight upon the ambassador has been in progress for several months, and he is aware of all that has been done by his opponents up to this point. Now the question is for the first time raised formally as to the propriety of an ambassador or minister engaging in business, or having financial interests in the country to which he is accredited. It is believed that there is no specific law upon the subject, and it is suggested that the determining point in this case will lie in the character of Mr. Clayton's investments and to the extent which they might seem to tend to influence his ambassadorial actions.

Mexican Officials Not Interested.

City of Mexico, March 17.—Ambassador Clayton is now out of the city, and his reply to the charges against him in connection with the Mealy case cannot be had. The Mexican Herald says that the charge that General Clayton is interested in Mexican mines is simply a surmise, and can only have been introduced to throw doubt in the eyes of the public, who may fail to see the absolute lack of connection between the fact in question and the act of which Mr. Mealy complains. It is not true, the paper continues, that Mexican officials are interested in these mines with General Clayton.

Fatal Explosion in Powder Mills.

Cleveland, O., March 18.—An explosion in the powder mixing department of the Fairmount Manufacturing Company early today, resulted in the death of one early employe, while at least seven other persons were seriously injured. The cause of the explosion is not known. The front of the two-story frame building was blown completely out, and the plant gutted by fire which followed the explosion. The company manufactures railroad torpedoes. The pecuniary loss will not exceed \$10,000. About three weeks ago an explosion similar to the one of today occurred at the torpedo factory.

Illinois Bank Robbery.

Joliet, Ill., March 15.—Six men early today broke into the Exchange Bank in Mineola, nine miles west of Joliet, wrecked the safe with dynamite and secured between \$2,000 and \$3,000 in cash. Theodore Krine, who heard the explosions, rose from a sick bed and went to warn A. K. Napp, president of the bank. The robbers assailed Krine on his return and left him gagged. He was not found until nearly two hours after. The robbers escaped on a handcar.

Date of Adjournment.

Washington, March 15.—Senator Hale, who is a leading member of the senate committee on appropriations and also of the Republican steering committee, today expressed the opinion that congress would be prepared to adjourn for the season about June 10.

Contracts for English Warships.

London, March 15.—The British admiralty has contracted with various shipbuilding companies for the construction of five first class and two third class cruisers and two battleships.

Barn and Street Cars Burned.

St. Louis, March 15.—Fired at 1:30 o'clock this morning destroyed the west barn of the Eastern avenue sheds of the St. Louis Transit Company, together with 70 cars. Loss, \$125,000.