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THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

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

The Pennsylvania regiment has left San Francisco for home.

All the new regiments of volunteers will be sent for Manila by October.

At Passaic, N. J., the Botany Wood-Mills Company is to erect six buildings.

Thirty-six volunteers from the Second Oregon have applied for pensions for disability.

A South African mining engineer made the trip from London to Dawson City in 37 days.

At Appleton, Wis., a mill boiler exploded, killing two men and wounding eight others.

Dreyfus' enemies are still after him. Two infernal machines loaded with gun cotton were sent him.

Thomas Brackett Reed has tendered his resignation as congressman from Maine. The governor has accepted it.

Typus fever is following in the wake of the storm in Porto Rico. The French arising from the petty feeling is given as the cause.

Major-General Otis is himself acting as censor of dispatches. He dictates correspondents' reports of engagements and with formal official phrases, magnifies American success.

It is alleged in England that the Transvaal is republic only in name and that abuses are manifold. Even the courts must agree with Oom Paul Kruger, or off go official heads.

Near Marshalltown, Iowa, three tramps, stealing a ride on a Great Western freight train, shot and killed brakeman Wilson and Conductor Mathews and threw their bodies under the train.

The present run of sockeye salmon on lower Puget sound is phenomenal as to make it almost certain that the Puget sound salmon pack will be large enough to compensate for the shortage in the packs on the Fraser and Columbia rivers.

While endeavoring to rescue one of their comrades, arrested for drunkenness, the soldiers from the Indiana had a fight with the police of Honolulu which resulted in many being broken, but the police finally landed their man.

A Washington special says: Hopeful signs of an approaching end of the Philippine insurrection have been apparent since the organization of 13 additional regiments and Secretary Root's action calling out 10 more for the Philippine service. This action has demonstrated to the Filipino leaders that resistance will be futile, and it is believed negotiations are now on foot looking to a termination of the war.

The Chilean ministry has resigned. Quiet has been restored in the Bluefields district, Nicaragua.

Lieutenant George F. Teller has been appointed census supervisor for the Second district of Oregon.

Dawson City salmon keepers have formed a trust and will make whisky a dollar a drink this winter.

Gold is reported to be again flowing into the bank of England and British financiers are feeling better.

Two 17-year-old boys were killed while stealing watermelons in Ouray, Colo. The murderer says he only shot to scare the boys.

The hunt for gold on Kotelue sound brought fearful results. Seven per cent of those who went into that inhospitable country lost their lives.

From the reports on the world's wheat crop there is little to indicate failure in either Germany or Russia, while England's crop is large.

Angered by the action of a gambler who assaulted one of their number, the Indians of a group at Winkelman, Ariz., threaten to exterminate the whites.

At Wetumpka, Ala., Peter Louin and his 15-year-old son were taken from jail and lynched by a mob. They were accused of shooting Hail Jordan, a respectable citizen.

M. Labou appeared in court Tuesday morning, and if his condition will permit, he will conduct the case for Dreyfus until a verdict is reached. He was warmly greeted by the prisoner.

A seaman of the British ship *Amphitrite* was caught by a tow line, drawn overboard and drowned as the vessel was entering the Columbia river. Another member of the crew was lost in a similar manner in Honolulu harbor.

A plot to escape from the guardhouse was unearthed at Fort Sheridan. The prisoners had the bars of the guardhouse all sawed through and had obtained possession of the key to the magazine. Knives, powder and cartridges were found in their possession.

Scarcity of food is now worrying the Filipino rebels. Otis has granted them permission to purchase supplies from the ships in the harbor.

The proposed public warehouse to be operated by the Toledo banks seems to be a go, as a majority of the banks favor the project.

Among other industries, the Belton, S. C., Mills Company, recently formed with capital of \$350,000, will establish a cotton mill of 15,000 spindles or more.

It is estimated that fully two-thirds of the whole amount of public money held by the London banks does not bear interest.

LATER NEWS.

The national farmers' congress will meet in Boston in October.

Our commerce with Germany for 1899 exceeds all previous records.

A stage in Yellowstone park turned over. One person was killed and a number were injured.

The eucalyptus tree is to be experimented with quite extensively in Cuba as anti-malarial agent.

Suspicious cases of fever have occurred at Orizaba, Mexico, and it is believed to be yellow fever.

General Otis reports everything quiet at Manila. He is protecting the lives and property of all classes.

The governors of 21 states have appointed delegates to the anti-trust conference to be held at Chicago in September.

The Olympia's battalion of 250 men will lead the parade in New York on the occasion of the arrival of Admiral Dewey.

Sergeant Crawford, who escaped, after letting eight men out of the prison at Warden, has been arrested at Missoula, Mont.

Sir Thomas Lipton, the owner of the *Shamrock*, has sailed for this country. He was given a hearty farewell by his Irish friends.

It is announced in London that the governor of India has refused to allow the transit of opium carriages cases intended for the Transvaal.

A determined effort is being made at Cleveland, O., to secure the discharge of a number of volunteers in the Fourteenth United States infantry.

The Northern Pacific Company has disposed of its entire holdings of Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company preferred stock to a banking house in New York.

A Washington special says that a mous vivendi has been agreed upon by the Alaska boundary commission and will be in effect before congress meets in December.

A Vienna paper says that a deputation of American merchants from Manila has gone to Washington to promote a scheme for ceding the Philippines to the United States.

A Manila dispatch via Hong Kong says treason has been discovered in Luzon. A native mayor had opened a recruiting station and was being aided by insurgent officers in the district.

He was arrested and taken to jail.

The war department has given out for publication a statement of the finances of Cuba. It shows that under the management of the United States government the receipts of the islands from January to June of the current year, exceeded the expenditures by over a million dollars.

The First Californias have arrived home from the Philippines.

Tanners of the East and West will form an upper-leather combine.

At Seabright, N. J., three persons were killed and three injured by being run down by a train.

Every train is being recruited to Cape Town, and side recruits to be preparing for conflict.

Emperor William and the German ambassador to France lunched together in Berlin and discussed the Dreyfus case.

In Holland a mob by throwing stones forced troops to fire upon them. One of the rioters was killed and two were wounded.

General Bates' mission to the Moros has succeeded. The sultan of Sulu has agreed to recognize American sovereignty.

The St. Paul Globe advocates the nomination of Admiral Dewey for the presidency by the next Democratic national convention.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Minister of Marine Davies will go to England to talk with Chamberlain about the Alaskan boundary.

Reports from Southern Russia say current belief of the approaching end of the world is causing a panic among the uneducated classes.

The Greek government has been granted the courtesy of having an ensign of the Greek navy assigned to duty on the North Atlantic squadron.

John Lind, governor of Minnesota, has requested the war department to allow the returning volunteers of his state to be landed in Portland, instead of in San Francisco.

President Mellen, of the Northern Pacific railway in an interview published in a Wall street paper says his road spent half its earnings for operating expenses last year and the road is now in a prosperous condition.

The war burdens are beginning to grow heavy and Secretary Gage is seeking some way to increase the stamp duty on the tobacco trade.

Slot machines and firearms it is thought the city of London is to ban. Another bomb issue is also mentioned.

Dr. Gilbert Reed, promoter of the "International Institute of China," designed to instruct and elevate the better class of Chinese, says Dewey has made China respect Uncle Sam, and Americans are again encouraged to attempt education of the heathens on an elaborate scale.

Venice has a cafe which claims that it has been open day and night for 150 years.

At Foxcroft, Me., Mayo & Son are running their woolen mill from 4 A. M. to 10 P. M.

Electricity has supplanted steam on the railroad from Milan to Monza, the oldest railway in Italy.

A clock is being constructed for Liverpool Street station in London. The interior of its case would allow five persons to dine comfortably.

The output of sardines on the Maine coast is likely to be increased from 900,000 cases in 1898 to 2,000,000 this year, in consequence of the introduction of the new canning machine.

Eight hundred Japanese workmen are now employed in track work on railways in Washington and Oregon, and they are said to give better and more constant service than white labor.

In France, if a person dies leaving insufficient money to pay his debts, the doctor's bill is settled first, and then the rest of the deceased's liabilities are dealt with.

RETURN OF THE CALIFORNIAS

San Francisco People Went Wild With Joy.

ARRIVED ON THE SHERMAN

A Large Fleet Met the Transport at the Golden Gate and Escorted Her Into the Harbor—A Grand Sight.

San Francisco, Aug. 26.—The water front today was the most attractive point in the city. It was literally black with people, from one end to the other. Every pier was crowded with excited people, and Telegraph hill, which commands a magnificent view of the Golden Gate and the harbor, was crowded with spectators anxious to catch a glimpse of the *Sherman* as she neared the harbor. All eyes seemed to be turned westwardly. From every quarter of the bay yachts, launches, tugs and bay craft of all descriptions made their way through the water, all converging toward one point, the *Sherman*.

The noise created by the steam sirens, callioles, the ringing of bells and cannon drowned all other noises incident to the occasion.

As the *Sherman* approached the Gate, the land batteries belched forth a national salute and the big steamers took up the signal with their sirens. Pandemonium reigned. Neater and nearer the welcome vessel came, and at last pushed her prow into the space left for her, and such a scene occurred as has never been seen on this coast before.

Flags flapped, flags were waved, whistles screamed, cannon were fired, trumpets were blown and megaphones and magic glasses were turned on the delighted boys who crowded the rigging of the great steamers. The signal was giving to the fleet of yachts and tugs to get under way in time for the transport, which, of course, was given the place of honor.

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EVIDENCE FOR DREYFUS.

Labor's Secretary Said to Have Found It at Great Slave Lake.

St. Louis, Aug. 26.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Seattle, Wash., says:

"I. Leon Duran, the private secretary of Maitre Labori, the leading counsel for Dreyfus, who has been in Seattle visiting the French vice-consul, Dr. Monod, has left for Paris. In an interview, M. Duran admitted that the first time that his trip to the Northwest was for the purpose of securing information of great value to Dreyfus. He obtained it, and this accelerates his desire to reach home without loss of time."

"I have been to the Great Slave Lake, in the Northwest Territory," said M. Duran, "after information connected with the Dreyfus case. I hope to reach Paris in time to hand it over to Labori before the case closes, however. If I do not, it will be still of value. I am unable to state the exact nature of the information I obtained, for you know we must guard against every contingency in the case, future as well as present."

"The impression that there was a conspiracy among the high army officers against Dreyfus prior to the time he was condemned is not in conformity with our belief or contention," said M. Duran, "and he was degraded proceedings by which he was degraded were illegal, but we do not think that any deep-dyed conspiracy has been hatched against him. It was a case of an innocent man being persecuted by the real criminal was in the background."

MACDUFF IN PORT.

End of Longest Voyage on Record Between California and Australia.

Astoria, Aug. 26.—The long-looked-for British bark *Macduff*, the highest schooner in the world, and one of the most interesting in the world, arrived here today. It is the longest voyage on record between California and Australia, and was at no time in distress. Her delay was due entirely to the weather and the foul condition of her bottom, and the reported distress of those on board, who were drawn from the imagination of sailors on board the transport *Warren*.

Captain Macduff was surprised to learn that his vessel was refused and that her non-arrival had affected the price of grain bags on the coast.

The *Macduff* came round the south coast of Australia and met some severe weather and one cyclone off New Zealand. One heavy sea made Captain Macduff think that his vessel had been carried away, and with all sails set, the vessel would not answer her wheel.

It was probably an earthquake, as within a few minutes the wind carried her ahead and no damage was done. Captain Macduff has with him his wife and two children, and they are all well and healthy, as does every one aboard excepting the first mate, J. Tippett, who is ill with neuralgia in the face.

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE.

Five Miners Blown to Atom and a Contractor Demolished.

Joplin, Mo., Aug. 26.—Five miners were killed by an explosion of dynamite this evening at the Margaret Mining Company's mill, near Cartersville. The dead are David Sinclair, R. J. Robbins, Henry Gilbert, William Messersmith and John H. Smith.

While Gilbert was engaged in the preparation of a blast at a point of dynamite which he held in his hand exploded and the concussion exploded a box of dynamite which stood near by.

The big concussion plant was demolished and the five men at work there were blown into bits. Portions of their bodies were found hundreds of feet from where they had been working.

The shock of the explosion was so great that the mill was thrown off its foundation and the plant was demolished. The plant, which was a new one, owned by Henry Gilbert, one of the men killed, stood on the old Hannum and McElroy tract of the American Zinc, Lead & Smelting Company's land.

One of the victims, David Sinclair, of Duluth, Minn., was investigating the mine in the interest of a Boston syndicate, which was negotiating for the purchase of the mine. Sinclair was a real estate agent, who accompanied him. Both of Sinclair's legs were torn off, and his head was all but severed from his body. Gilbert's body was cut in two and the legs were found in his hands. The only person on the premises who escaped death were two miners working in the shaft.

Preparing for Reception.

Nice, Aug. 25.—Admiral Dewey and the officers and men of the Olympia now at Villefrance, near here, are all preparing for the New York reception. The admiral has received permission from the authorities to land the Olympia battalion at Villefrance for drill purposes during the remaining part of the stay here.

M. Grenet, prefect of the Alpes-Maritimes, visited Admiral Dewey today. The former expressed the pleasure of the French government at the admiral's visit, adding his assurances of the warmest welcome to the Olympia. Admiral Dewey will come to Nice tomorrow and return the prefect's official calls.

Washington, Aug. 26.—Otis today reported the arrival of the transport *Newport* at Manila.

Will Aid Cuban Officers.

Havana, Aug. 26.—General Brooke has virtually decided not to make any payments to Cuban troops on the basis of additional rolls. The first payments brought to light such an amount of thievery and attempted swindling that he has ceased to consider the question of distributing what is left of the \$3,000,000 in supplementary payments.

The sum now left in his hands he will probably use to assist wounded and deserting officers, who, under the original arrangement, were to receive nothing.

Most of the Cuban officials agree with the remark recently made by General Gomez. He said the \$3,000,000 would prove more harmful than helpful, and the work of payments has revealed depths of depravity that the best friends of Cuba had not conceived could exist.

Explosion at Powder Mill.

Pottsville, Pa., Aug. 26.—The dry-house of Sam Debbles' powder mill, near Sleepington, this county, was completely wrecked by an explosion today. Geo. W. Elder, of Portland, Me., who was attending the West Indian hurricane, which passed up the coast about 13 days ago, will reach 100. Accounts in many respects conflicting, continue to come from the Albermarle and Pamlico sound region and the coast from Hatteras to Bolds Island, in which section the greater number of casualties occurred.

Steamship *Alameda*, just arrived, reports all quiet in Samoa.

TO PROVE DREYFUS GUILTY

Bertillon System Introduced by the Prosecution.

THE PERFORMANCE FELL FLAT

As a Last Resort, the Prisoner's Counsel Will Call on the *Germans* for Documents—Bertillon Excited.

Rennes, Aug. 28.—After M. Bertillon, the handwriting expert, who is at the head of the anthropometric department of the prefecture of police of Paris, had concluded the first installment of his so-called demonstration of the guilt of Captain Dreyfus, a prominent Dreyfusard referred to the fin de siècle *Capitulation*. The Dreyfusards refuse to regard him as anything but the prince of quacks. They cover his remarks with ridicule and protest that the admission of his fantastic theories as evidence before the court martial is a disgrace to France. "C'est une honte," was the remark heard on all sides when the session closed, and the audience, mainly made up of Dreyfusards, was being pressed outside by the gendarmes, who clear the courtroom as soon as the court adjourns.

Nevertheless, even the Dreyfusards do not deceive themselves as to the effect of Bertillon's testimony. "For demonstration" may have upon the judges, who, they fear, will be gulled by what the Dreyfusards consider quackery. All the judges have passed through the Ecole Polytechnique, the highest school of science in France, and they are thus peculiarly interested in such "evidence" as that of Bertillon. Moreover, with the aid of the innumerable diagrams and specimens of writing which he submits to them, they may be able to follow his reasoning intelligently, which is more than any member of the audience could do today. If the judges accept Bertillon's premises that Dreyfus, as an expert scribe, did not write in ordinary handwriting, but in a special, or "Dreyfus," script, then they will be able to follow his reasoning, which is more than any member of the audience could do today. If the judges accept Bertillon's premises that Dreyfus, as an expert scribe, did not write in ordinary handwriting, but in a special, or "Dreyfus," script, then they will be able to follow his reasoning, which is more than any member of the audience could do today.

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CUP CHALLENGER LEAKING.

Accident and Towing Believed to Be the Cause.

New York, Aug. 28.—The Tribune says:

"Men whose opinions and yachting knowledge are respected and esteemed declared yesterday that the *Shamrock* was twisted in the midship section and that towing had caused a strain which has 'worked her plates.'"

"One yachting expert who has built yachts and has docked hundreds of ships told a Tribune reporter last evening that the afternoon he was surprised, while looking at the English cup challenger, to see that she was badly twisted in the midship section."

"The warp is quite apparent," he continued, "to any one who knows anything about the lines of a yacht. I fancy that I detected the twist yesterday afternoon. I am sure of it today, as by lightening the *Shamrock* is much higher out of the water today than she was yesterday. Naturally towing caused the straining and made the plates crack and on that account I believe the theory of a leak is quite probable. If the yacht came over on the port tack the tendency would be to strain the hull to starboard, and such a strain would tend to open the plates on the port quarter to spring."

Others believe that the leak or strain probably was the result of the accident which happened to the *Shamrock* when she ran aground in her trial trips with the Prince of Wales' Britannia.

A GIGANTIC COMBINATION.

Trust to Control the Retail Dry Goods Trade of the Country.

New York, Aug. 26.—The Herald says: Arrangements are maturing for the organization of a \$500,000,000 dry goods corporation in this city to control and operate dry goods and department stores throughout the country.

The Mercantile Reorganization Company has recently been incorporated in Trenton, N. J., as a preliminary to creating big corporations.