

From All Parts of the New World and the Old.

OF INTEREST TO OUR READERS

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

The Methodist general conference will hold its 1906 session in Chicago. Chile is on a specie basis and no more paper money will be issued. It is announced at Washington that no more presidential postmasters will be named until congress meets.

The battle-ships Oregon and Iowa have been ordered to proceed from Montevideo to Valparaiso, where further orders will await them.

Troubles have arisen in Africa between Germany and the Congo Free State, relative to the respective boundary lines north of Lake Tanganyika.

General Thomas Regalado, the head of the revolutionary movement in Salvador, has accepted the presidency and proclaimed himself chief executive of the republic.

The attempt to effect a coalition between the states of Nicaragua, Honduras and Salvador, to be conducted as the United States of Central America, has failed completely.

Arrangements are being made by the war department to disinter the remains of all the soldiers who lost their lives in the campaign before Santiago and bring them to this country.

Great improvement in the health of the army has taken place within the last two months, as shown by the last reports to the surgeon-general from the field and general hospitals.

There is a band of American swindlers in Hamburg, Germany, who are passing worthless American paper money, for which they not only procure valuable merchandise, but even obtain money in exchange from their victims.

It will probably be the end of December or the beginning of January before any further news is received from the men who have chosen to spend the winter on the rich gold-bearing creeks of the Klondike. About 500 men will winter on the creeks in the Altai river country.

The navy department has made public a report from Admiral Sampson, covering the operations of the United States blockading fleet off Santiago after the destruction of Cervera's squadron. The report scores General Shafter for making public important telegrams and refusing to recognize the admiral in the surrender.

Prairie fires have caused great damage in Oklahoma and Indian territory during the past few days. A riot in a political club at Chicago resulted in the death of one and the wounding of several others.

John Warnock, a deputy sheriff, was shot and killed at Birmingham, Ala., by an escaped negro convict, whom he was trying to arrest. The murderer escaped.

An illicit whisky still as a side issue of a plant for the manufacture and imitation of well-known brands of wine has been unearthed near the heart of Chicago.

The session of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines was practically accomplished at Wednesday's session of the peace commission. These are the three main articles.

Two hundred lives lost, 56 vessels totally wrecked and 49 others helplessly stranded, and the worst probably not known, is the latest news from the fearful Atlantic storm.

A freight train on the Norfolk & Western railroad went through a bridge near Riverside, Va. The fireman was killed, the engineer seriously scalded and a brakeman fatally injured.

Articles incorporating the O. R. & N. Company have been filed with the secretary of state at Washington, and show that the extension in Oregon, Washington and Idaho have long been in contemplation.

At the Loyal Legion banquet given in Manila 69 guests were present. Nearly every commandery was represented. General Anderson presided and Rear-Admiral Dewey was received by a guard of honor from the Oregon regiment.

Cubans are starving to death in Santa Clara, and the Red Cross has been appealed to to furnish prompt relief. Women and children are suffering. If succor does not soon reach them all will have died. The Cuban troops are also in a pitiful condition for lack of supplies. The Red Cross will promptly respond to the appeal, but is handicapped by lack of funds.

Claude M. Johnson, director of the bureau of engraving and printing, in his annual report shows that during the year there were 92,272,473 sheets of stamps and government securities printed and delivered at a cost of \$1,790,598. The sum, however, includes \$1,500 increase of stock, \$30,000 paid for machinery and \$4,410 paid to outside employees.

Minor News Items. The steamer Monarch cleared from New Orleans for Liverpool with the largest general cargo ever carried from that port, embracing 20,630 bales of cotton, 128,000 bushels of corn, 19,000 staves.

Sarah Bonnell, an Abilene, Kan., young woman, has received a legacy of half a million dollars from a New York friend interested in her musical education. She will go to Paris soon to complete her musical education.

Prisoners when arrested in Morocco are required to pay the policeman for his trouble in taking them to jail.

Professor Henry Van Ingen, the artist who had been art instructor of Vassar college since its opening in 1862, died suddenly of angina pectoris at his home in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., aged 65 years.

John H. Buckman, captain United States navy, retired, enlisted in the navy 19 years before the civil war and served with Dewey. At Fort Fisher he rescued Lieutenant Bob Evans upon a scaling ladder.

ANNEXATION OF HAWAII.

Existing Laws in Force Pending Action by Congress.

Pending the consideration by the senate of the treaty signed June 16, 1897, by the plenipotentiaries of the United States and the republic of Hawaii providing for the annexation of the island, a joint resolution to accomplish the same purpose by accepting the offered cession and accepting pending the ceded territory into the Union was adopted by congress and approved July 7, 1898. The laws of the United States shall apply to the Hawaiian Islands as they do to the United States.

Recommendations of the Commission. The commission has the honor to submit herewith a report on the Hawaiian Islands as they should be governed, and to recommend the laws which should be enacted thereon.

Foreign Exhibitions. Despite the brief time allotted for preparation, the exhibits of this country at the exposition at Brussels in 1897 enjoyed the singular honor of being the largest proportion of awards, having received the number and classes of articles which surpassed those of any other nation.

The Nicaragua Canal. The Nicaragua canal commission, under Rear-Admiral John G. Walker, appointed by the president in 1897, has the honor to submit herewith a report on the canal project.

New Maritime Policy. The annexation of Hawaii and the changed relations of the United States to the Pacific Ocean, resulting from the war, compelled the adoption of a new maritime policy.

ARMY REORGANIZATION. Standing Force of 100,000 Men Needed Under Present Conditions. Under the act of congress approved April 28, 1898, authorizing the president in his discretion upon a declaration of war to increase the regular army to the maximum of 100,000 men.

Volunteers to Be Sent Home. It is my purpose to increase the entire volunteer army as soon as congress shall provide for the increase of the regular army.

Captain Centennial. In the year 1900 will occur the centennial anniversary of the founding of the city of Washington.

Departmental Reports. The several departmental reports will be laid before you. They give in great detail the conduct of the affairs of the government during the past year.

WILLIAM M. KINLEY.

OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Aside From Spain We Have Had No Serious Differences With Other Nations.

With the exception of the rupture with Spain, the intercourse of the United States with the great family of nations has been marked with cordiality, and the course of the year has been marked by the peaceful settlement of the Hawaiian Islands.

Total Casualties. The total destruction in killed and wounded in the army during the war was as follows: Officers killed, 27; enlisted men killed, 37,741; total, 37,768.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS. Spain's Overtures for a Cessation of Hostilities. The annihilation of Admiral Cervera's fleet, followed by the capitulation of Santiago, has been the signal for a peace overture.

Hobson's Heroinism. The news of the capture of the Hawaiian Islands has not only excited the hearts of our countrymen, but the world, by its exceptional heroism.

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