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## THE NEWS OF THE WEEK

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week Culled from the Telegraph Columns.

The province of Cayan, Luzon, has surrendered to Captain McCalla.

Commander Tilley may be given charge of our possessions in Samoa.

Americans have destroyed Aguinaldo's body guard and the rebel chief has fled in disguise.

MacArthur has captured Mabini, one of the ablest of insurgents, and founder of their government.

Prominent officials will go to Washington to lobby for the admission of New Mexico to statehood.

Owing to the British reverses in South Africa it is said Russia and France are getting restless.

The army and navy are each urging different routes for the Pacific cable. Private companies are also after it.

Alaska is after better government. Her special envoy is in Washington to present a petition for favors desired.

Ladysmith relief force's advance column has reached a position within three miles of Colenso without opposition.

General Methuen attacked 12,000 Boers on the Modder river, but found their position too strong for him. He reports great losses.

Major-General Andrew G. Wauchope was killed in action at Modder river. He was a veteran of the Ashantee and Egyptian campaigns.

A recent decision of the customs department in regard to the shipment of goods in bond works a great injury to Pacific coast interests.

Germany has inquired as to our intentions regarding the Danish West Indies. It is believed Germany would like to have them, but this would not suit Uncle Sam.

Two Americans were killed, apparently without provocation, in San Pedro, Spanish Honduras. The killing, as reported, was of a particularly aggravating type.

Major-General Edward Ferrero is dead at New York. In 1861 he raised the "Shepard Rifles," of which he was made colonel. He took the first fortified redoubt captured in the war.

Another gigantic corporation is now organizing to oppose the sugar trust in the islands. A former member of the sugar trust is believed to be one of the leading spirits. The capital will be \$100,000,000 and may be known as the Colonial Sugar Refining Company.

A Washington dispatch to the Cleveland Leader says that McKinley and Root will head the Republican ticket. Leading Republicans favor their nomination by acclamation. Tuesday, June 12, is suggested as the most likely date for the convention.

An anti-British meeting was held in Omaha.

Gatacre does not blame the guides for his disaster.

Otis has been instructed to open ports in the Philippines.

A colony of 30 Michigan people will settle near Fairhaven, Wash.

Five stores were burned out on Sixth street, near Alder, Portland, Or.; loss, \$10,000.

It is said that South Africa has always been a graveyard for the British generals' reputations.

The British bark Indian Empire, laden with coal, was burned to the water's edge near Lima, Peru.

Our iron ore supply is short. It will take 200 vessels to handle the cargoes of iron engaged for importation.

Two prominent Portland physicians have been sued by a lady who claims negligence in diagnosing her case.

A report comes from Astoria, Or., that the packers' combine will operate only three of its canneries next season.

Britishers acknowledge that they lost over 700 men at Stormberg, and Boer reports apparently agree with those from British sources.

Nearly 2,000,000 bushels of wheat are stored in warehouses of Tacoma and not a ship is loading, the owners of the wheat holding for better prices.

A company has been organized in Eastern Oregon to build a railway line from Hilgard to the John Day country. The O. R. & N. is said to be in the deal.

Jones of Washington has introduced in the house a bill for a cable to the Philippines, to cost not to exceed \$8,000,000, and the creation of a cable commission.

Otis reports that 2,000 additional Spanish prisoners have been secured in Northern Luzon, making over 2,000 released within a month. Seven hundred are now en route from Vigan, and transports will be sent for the remainder.

The total number of women over 18 years old employed in the factories and workshops of the British islands is about 500,000.

John J. Smallwood, president of the Industrial and Collegiate Institute at Claremont, Va., was born a slave and largely educated himself.

Judge Wylie, for years one of the most prominent figures on the district bench, is still living in Washington, and, though over 90 years old, is in vigorous health.

### LATER NEWS.

The New York stock exchange was thrown into a panic by two large failures.

The house passed the currency bill by a vote of 190 to 150. Eleven Democrats voted for it.

The weather bureau at Fort Canby has been closed and the work will hereafter be done at Astoria.

The verdict of the jury in the McDaniel case was manslaughter, with the extreme penalty recommended.

Howard Tuttle, a former Portland, Or., boy, denies that he is the man who jumped into the bay near San Francisco.

Malcolm Glenn, a newspaper man known all over the north coast region, attempted to cut his throat with a razor at Ontario, Or.

Yamhill county hopgrowers have decided to go into the pool and have sent delegates to the Oregon Hopgrowers' Association.

The La Mairie Optical Company, of France, with a capital of \$1,000,000, will establish branch factories in Illinois and Connecticut.

The executive committee of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers have decided to build a \$300,000 building in Cleveland, O.

A South Pacific naval station will be established as soon as conditions in the Philippines admit of the withdrawal of some of the ships there.

The German navy may be used in conjunction with those of France and Russia to exert pressure to prevent reinforcements reaching South Africa.

The president of the Brown university asserts that if England whips the Boers it will bring on a war of nations in which the United States must participate.

In the steer-tying contest at Denver, Col., Ed. Harrell defeated "Doc" Goodin, tying five steers in 5 minutes 29 seconds. Goodin claimed the world's championship.

It is probable that the distressed bark reported ashore near Point Bonilla on November 18, is the long-missing Colusa, which sailed from Honolulu on October 9 for Esquimaut.

The Boer republics have not yet used a third of the military resources at their command. They have been quietly preparing for years. Forts of the Transvaal are now impregnable.

Lieutenant Thomas M. Bramby, flag lieutenant to Admiral Dewey during the Manila campaign, who has been ill with typhoid fever for several weeks, died at Garfield hospital, Washington, D. C.

General Methuen is preparing for another advance.

The German press and people are jubilant over Buller's defeat.

Major-General Wood anticipates having a pleasant time in Havana.

Agitators are alarming the peaceable natives of the island of Negros.

Three Mexicans were killed as a result of a fight near Florence, Ariz.

New York is working hard to secure the next national Democratic convention.

The Broadway National Bank, of Boston, has failed, with liabilities of \$3,000,000.

William H. Carpenter, poet and editor, died at his home in Baltimore, aged 86.

The usual large number of British officers were killed in the engagement at Tugela.

Aguinaldo has retreated into the mountains and Major Marsh has given up the chase.

The Boers captured a great quantity of British supplies and ammunition at Magersfontein.

The forty-eighth United States infantry has been released from quarantine at Angel island.

Buller's casualties in the battle at Tugela river, in killed, wounded and missing, number 1,100.

The American Federation of Labor has registered an emphatic disapproval of government subsidies.

The Stanford University football team will play the Multnomah club on New Year's day at Portland.

Baron Roberts has been appointed to supersede General Buller in command of the South African forces.

Four persons were burned to death in Alliance Ky., as a result of a child throwing some powder in a fire.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians will donate \$1,000,000 to aid the Boers in their fight against the English.

The Spanish government has formally recognized General Castris as president of the republic of Venezuela.

A farewell banquet at Carleton, England, in aid of the fund of the American hospital-ship Maine, realized \$2,000.

Fire completely destroyed the school annex building of St. Michaels orphan asylum, of Pittsburg Pa., with a loss of \$9,000.

A Cleveland, Akron & Columbus passenger train collided with a switch engine near Cleveland, killing the engineer, fireman and conductor.

The Illinois Central railroad has practically secured control of the Minneapolis & St. Louis line, giving it an independent line to St. Paul.

Patrick Furey, who died in Philadelphia at the age of 106, had as his ambition the desire to live in three centuries and nearly accomplished it.

The queen of Portugal, who is said to have taken up medicine as a fad, became so interested in it that she completed the course and took the degree of M. D.

### LOSING FAITH IN ENGLAND

#### Dutch of Cape Colony Are Rising.

#### SAVAGES ALSO DISSATISFIED

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Sterkstrom, Dec. 19.—As a result of the British reverses, the whole country northward is in rebellion. The natives there, as well as those in Basutoland, are said to be much disturbed and losing heart respecting the strength of the British.

Cape Town, Dec. 19.—Secret meetings of Boer sympathizer continue to be held in various parts of Cape Colony, and the attitude of the Dutch farmer is turbulent.

#### Roberts Appointed.

London, Dec. 19.—Shortly before midnight the following notice was posted at the war office:

"As the campaign in Natal, in the opinion of her majesty's government, is likely to require the presence and undivided attention of General Sir Redvers Buller, it has been decided to send Baron Roberts, of Kandahar and Waterford, as commander-in-chief in South Africa, with Lord Kitchener as chief of staff."

#### FIVE KILLED IN A WRECK.

#### Crew of Freight Train on a Northern Pacific Branch.

Lewiston, Idaho, Dec. 19.—Piled up at the bottom of Kendrick hill on the Northern Pacific branch are two engines and 19 cars loaded with steel. In houses near by are the dead bodies of Engineers Arthur E. Bain and John A. Ogden, Fireman Earl Bradshaw and Brakeman A. Budge, of Spokane, and John Peterman, also of Spokane, fatally injured.

The train was an extra with a load of steel for the Northern Pacific extension. The rails were covered with ice and snow, and in descending the long grade leading into Kendrick the train got out of control of the trainmen and dashed madly down the steep grade, about 7 o'clock this evening. A mile and a half east of Kendrick four cars were ditched, and the track was torn up for a quarter of a mile. When the rest of the flying train struck the yards the engines and all the cars were ditched and completely wrecked, and the track there torn up for 200 yards. Wrecking trains have been sent from Spokane and Lewiston.

The Kendrick grade is one of the steepest in the Northwest. Control of the train was lost at the head of the grade and then the engines started on their mad five-mile run in the dark. None of the fated crew have lived to tell the story of their awful sensations while being swept on to death.

#### Fifty Horses Burned.

New York, Dec. 19.—Fire strated at 12:40 o'clock this morning in a big factory building, at 655-657 First avenue, occupied by several manufacturing and other businesses. The flames spread with marked rapidity, and within a few minutes there was a terrific panic in the surrounding tenements, and the avenue was soon almost blocked with half-naked poor people, who had tumbled out of the building with wild cries of fright. Sheets of flames burst from the windows and showers of sparks fell upon the gathering crowds and terrified tenement dwellers. The basement was occupied as a livery stable and 50 horses were burned to death. The fire was confined to the one building with a loss of about \$75,000.

#### Americans Want to Fight.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 19.—Dr. Borden, minister of militia, has received an offer from the president of a manufacturing concern in the United States, who was at one time a member of the Grande Trunk rifle brigade, in Canada, offering to raise a regiment of Canadians in the United States in such a way as not to violate the neutrality laws. Another offer comes from Idaho to raise 500 men. Besides these there are individual offers from all over Canada.

#### Rail Rates to Go Up.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—The Chronicle says: "One of the most radical and general advances ever made in freight rates will go into effect on all the railroad east and west of Chicago January 1. Thousands of articles of every description will be affected, and the increase will average 35 and 40 per cent. The jump on many classes reaching 50 per cent. The contemplated action has aroused the shipping interests of the country."

#### Three Children Burned to a Crisp.

Nicholasville, Ky., Dec. 19.—Three children of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Reynolds, aged 6, 3 and 1, respectively, were burned to a crisp today in their home, in which they had been locked while their parents went visiting. The Reynolds returned in time to see the house collapse and the victims vainly fighting to escape.

#### Losses of the People.

Durban, Dec. 19.—The Natal government Gazette announces that General Buller has appointed a commission to inquire into the losses of the people of the colony resulting from the Boer invasion.

#### Lieutenant Roberts Dead.

London, Dec. 19.—Lieutenant Roberts, son of Lord Roberts, of Kandahar and Waterford, who was wounded in the engagement at Tugela river, is dead.

### ANOTHER DEFEAT.

Buller Repulsed by the Boers at the Tugela River.

London, Dec. 18.—The war office has received a dispatch announcing that General Buller has met with serious reverse, losing 11 guns. General Buller was attempting to cross the Tugela river. Finding it impossible to effect his object, he ordered a retirement in order to avoid greater losses. He left 11 guns behind.

The following is the text of General Buller's dispatch announcing the reverse:

"Buller to Lansdowne: Chevelly Camp, Dec. 18.—I regret to report a serious reverse. I moved in full strength from our camp near Chevelly at 4 o'clock this morning. There are two fordable places in the Tugela river, and it was my intention to force a passage through at one of them. They are about two miles apart. My intention was to force one or the other with one brigade, supported by a central brigade. General Hart was to attack the left drift, General Hillyard the right road, and General Littleton was to take the center and to support either."

"Early in the day I saw that General Hart would not be able to force a passage, and I directed him to withdraw. He had, however, attacked with great gallantry, and his leading battalion, the Connaught rangers, I fear, suffered a great deal. Colonel I. G. Brooke was seriously wounded.

"We have abandoned 10 guns and lost by shell-fire one. The losses in General Hunt's brigade are, I fear, very heavy, although the proportion of severely wounded, I hope, is not large. The Fourteenth and Sixty-ninth field batteries also suffered severe losses.

#### SHOT WIFE AND SONS.

#### Jealous Man Then Sent Bullet Through His Own Head.

Tacoma, Dec. 18.—Adam Crist deliberately shot his wife fatally, killed his 5-year-old son, seriously wounded a second son, aged 5 years, and then ended the tragedy by putting a bullet through his own brain. Jealousy is the only motive assigned for the crime.

Crist is the proprietor of the Chicago house, and returned this morning from a six months' business trip to Spokane. He was at the hotel during the morning, and apparently in the best of health and spirits. About 2 o'clock in the afternoon he went to a Pacific-avenue pawnbroker and purchased two revolvers. He stopped a few doors away at a drug store and bought 25 cents' worth of vitriol. He must have proceeded directly home, for the shooting occurred only a few moments later.

Crist was in the hotel kitchen, on the second floor, when his wife was called to the head of the stairs to talk to a peddler. After the interval of a few moments he sent the younger child to ask her to come to the kitchen. Immediately afterward four shots were fired, all of which were found to have taken effect in her body. He then turned the revolver on the little boy and wounded him in the leg, but the child managed to crawl down the stairs and escape.

The woman staggered to the sidewalk and Crist went into the hall, where he caught the 8-year-old boy. There are no witnesses to this part of the tragedy, but from the position of the bodies Crist must have held the lad close to him while he put a bullet through his heart. A 41-caliber bullet through his own head followed, and both bodies fell to the floor, still clasped in each other's arms.

#### Navy is Badly in Need of Men.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The navy is 4,000 short of the legal maximum, and this in spite of the best efforts of the recruiting officers. Secretary Long has called the attention of congress to this, and suggests that it might offer a decided incentive by extending to sailors enlisting in the benefit of the act allotment of apprentices clothing not to exceed \$45 in value. Under the present system, the men are kept in debt for months after enlistment by the purchase of the necessary outfit.

Vallejo, Cal., Dec. 18.—Sixty recruits from the United States ship Hartford have refused to sign articles of enlistment because, as they claim, the government charges them for the cost of their uniform and clothes. The Hartford was Admiral Farragut's flagship at the battle of Mobile bay, in the civil war. During the past four years she has been fully restored, and is now being fitted out for a cruise to New York, where she will be used as a training-ship. The men are badly needed in the service.

#### Eastern Buyers Contract for Wool.

Seattle, Dec. 18.—For two weeks past representatives of Eastern wool firms, principally from Boston, have been canvassing the wool-growing sections of the state in an effort to buy up next year's clip. In the Rainier reserve district, advances have been offered, at a full price when delivered next summer of from 17 to 20 cents per pound. The cause assigned for offering to buy in advance is that heavy orders have been received by the house represented for delivery next fall, and to make sure of a supply, all the crops possible are now being secured.

#### Dewey Invited to California.

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—An invitation, signed by Mayor Phelan and the grand officers of the Native Sons of the Golden West, has been sent to Admiral Dewey, requesting his presence in this city on admission day, September 9, 1900.

Candy-makers in Baltimore to the number of 300 are organizing.

Eggs without shells are shipped from Russia to England.

### CURRENCY BILL PASSED

#### The Vote of the House Was 190 to 150.

#### ELEVEN DEMOCRATS FOR IT

The Measure Had the Support of Every Republican Member of the House—Resolutions in the Senate.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The currency bill, which was debated all last week, was passed today by the house by a vote of 190 to 150. It had the united support of every Republican in the house, and of 11 Democrats—Clayton, Driggs, Fitzgerald, Levy, Ruppert, Scudder, Underhill, and Wilson, of New York; McAleer, of Pennsylvania; Denny, of Maryland, and Thayer, of Massachusetts. All the other Democrats voted against the measure or were paired against it, except John Walter Smith, governor-elect from Maryland; Stallings, of Alabama, and General Joseph Wheeler, of Alabama. Stallings has not been present in the house this session on account of illness, and one of his colleagues announced that if present he would have voted in the negative. General Wheeler is serving in the Philippines.

When the speaker announced the result the Republicans cheered lustily. After the vote the speaker rather unexpectedly announced the committee selections, and the reading of the list was followed with intense eagerness by the members, whose opportunities for distinction depend so largely upon their committee assignments.

The only incident in connection with the reading of the list was Bailey's interrogatory of the speaker as to whether General Wheeler's name had been placed upon the committee on ways and means. Speaker Henderson responded in the negative.

Announcement of the death of the late Representative Bland, of Missouri, which occurred last summer, caused an early adjournment.

What the senate may accomplish in the way of legislation for the Philippines during the present session is problematical, but that the question will be thoroughly discussed is indicated by the number of resolutions bearing upon it being produced. In opposition to the retention by the United States of the Philippine islands, two resolutions were introduced today, one by Tillman, of South Carolina, and the other by Bacon, of Georgia. Each resolution proposes to yield the islands to a government to be established by the Filipinos themselves.

Morgan, of Alabama, addressed the senate briefly upon the necessity of legislation to control trusts, and had his joint resolution again referred to the judiciary committee.

#### SOUTH PACIFIC STATION.

Latest Developments Make Its Establishment Necessary.

New York, Dec. 20.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: In view of the number of flag officers available for sea duty, there is reason to believe that a South Pacific station will be established as soon as conditions in the Philippines admit of the withdrawal of some of the ships now under Rear-Admiral Watson's command.

The importance of a fleet on the western coast of South America has been thoroughly appreciated in naval circles, but because of the limited number of ships and flag officers it had not been possible to maintain a station there, and for this reason the Pacific was placed under the command of one officer. The extension of American sovereignty over some of the Samoan islands and the prospective establishment of a coaling station in the Galapagos group are indications of the South Pacific in the eyes of the officials.

Orders have been issued by the navy department directing that the battleship Massachusetts, as well as the Indiana, be placed in reserve at the League Island navy yard. The Massachusetts is now undergoing repairs at New York. It is proposed to keep a large crew on board each of these vessels and to retain their present commanding officers. They will be kept in condition for immediate sea service. The men obtained from the battleships will be used for service on board the battleships Kearsarge and Kentucky, when they are placed in commission early in the new year.

#### To Aid Strikers.

Detroit, Dec. 20.—A return to the former system of assessing all members of unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor 1 cent per week for purposes of aiding strikers in case of necessity was decided upon by the federation convention this afternoon. The proposition was narrowly carried, receiving only two more votes than the rules required, viz., two-thirds of the delegates present. Most of the day was occupied by a discussion of grievances in executive session. The report of the committee on laws in favor of debarring from federation membership any members of the Knights of Labor was concurred in, and the matter referred to the executive council.

#### China and France May Fight.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—A special to the Chronicle from Tacoma says: Hong Kong mail advices state another Franco-Chinese war is imminent over the delimitation of France's "leased" territory at Kuang Chou bay, on the Tonkin border. This dispute is of several months' standing, the French having demanded three times the amount of territory which China is willing to concede under France's original demand for an open port there under France's domination.

### AFFAIRS IN PUERTO RICO.

Elections Slowly Progressing—Much Interest in Congress.

San Juan, Puerto Rico, Dec. 20.—The elections in Puerto Rico are progressing slowly. The Republicans carried Ponce on December 11 by about 1,100 majority.

According to the census of 1897 there are over 45,000 people in the Ponce district, but of that number only 4,466 are eligible to vote, the right of suffrage being limited to taxpayers and professional men, about 4,464 of that number going to the polls. The Republicans say that San Juan will give them a tremendous majority, and that the election throughout the island will result in an overwhelming federal defeat. The elections will last for at least two months more, there being still over 50 towns to vote.

The people are looking forward anxiously to the action of congress on the question of civil government. Many expect that Puerto Rico will be immediately given a system of self-government for the island, while others take a more conservative view of the subject. The Boletin Mercantil, commenting on the subject says:

"The form of civil government for Puerto Rico will undoubtedly be the one recommended by President McKinley in his annual message to congress. With the expectation of the highest office, the appointee for which place is not known yet, the appointments will be distributed among the most capable Puerto Ricans and Americans."

#### YAQUIS ARE ACTIVE.

Roving Bands Capture Supplies Sent for Mexican Soldiers.

Anstine, Tex., Dec. 20.—A special from Ortiz, state of Sonora, Mexico, states that the Mexican authorities are contemplating sending more troops into the Yaqui Indian country at once, as it is thought that the present force will not be able to cope with the situation. General Torres now has some 5,000 men, but it will take at least that many more, or possibly twice that number, owing to the geographical conditions surrounding the uprising, which prevents successful military movements. The Indians are so scattered that unless some troops are sent to the front to engage the small roving bands, they will continue to deplete the country and harass the soldiers under General Torres until they wear them out. There are now about 1,500 Indians engaging the attention of the soldiers, while the remainder of the 5,000 braves who are on the war path have scattered into small roving bands, for the purpose of pillaging. These roving bands of Indians are capturing supply trains sent out to the Mexican forces in the field. They have of late captured several trains containing provisions and ammunition.

#### STEAMER STRATTON LOST.

Yukon Boat Overturned by Ice and Soon Submerged.

Dawson City, N. W. T., Oct. 20.—The steamer W. S. Stratton left White Horse rapids October 18 with 40 passengers, nine of whom were women, and all the mail that had been accumulating there since the mail boats quit running—about two weeks. All went fairly until the 24th, when the mouth of Selwyn creek, 120 miles above here, was reached. There heavy floating ice was encountered, and, surrounded by it, the boat floated with the current. All would have been well had it not been in a narrow gorge the ice below jammed. When the boat struck that it stopped, but the ice above did not. On it came, with terrific force, and in a short time the pressure was so strong that the steamer was first turned on her side and then completely bottom up, in which position she sank in 13 feet of water. The accident occurred about 8 o'clock P. M., and with the first announcement of danger, passengers and crew hurried to the deck. As the steamer toppled over, her sides crushed to fragments and the passengers stepped to the ice and all safely reached shore, about 350 feet away. In less than five minutes after the steamer sank the ice covered the place where she went down, and not a vestige was to be seen. On the boat was a large amount of freight—four tons of express matter, a great amount of which was Christmas presents, and 28 sacks of mail, about 50,000 letters. Since the accident the weather has moderated, the ice floated away, and the boat has been located by the police.

#### Pressmen's Strike Settled.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—The disagreement between the St. Louis newspaper publishers and the striking pressmen was settled today. A conference was held resulting in certain technical changes of the arbitration agreement to make it comply with the international law, and some modification of terms. With these changes made by unanimous consent, the arbitration decision was accepted and the dispute settled.

#### Man Who Built Hoosac Tunnel.

Montreal, Dec. 19.—Walter Shanley, a well-known civil engineer, died today, aged 80. He constructed the Hoosac mountain tunnel, and was general manager of the Grand Trunk for four years. He was associated with the development of the St. Lawrence canal system.

#### Fierman Church Dead.

Fresno, Cal., Dec. 20.—Fierman Church has died in this city from a complication of ailments, aged 73 years. He was a practicing attorney in Chicago before coming West, being associated with Lyman Trumbull. He came to Los Angeles in 1855, afterwards removing to Fresno, and was district attorney for four years, and for two years at the same time ex-officio mayor of this city, as chairman of the city trustees.