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**China Wants Indemnity.**

The Chinese government has filed in the Department of State claims for indemnity amounting to \$500,000. These are for alleged outrages committed at Butte, Mont., upon citizens of China, which it is said date back to 1886. The Chinese government has been rather slow in presenting these claims, but perhaps that is no reason why they should not receive consideration from our government, thought it may interfere with obtaining satisfactory evidence to sustain the charges. Securing information sufficient to support indemnity claims, as to what happened in a matter of this kind fifteen years ago is likely to be found pretty difficult, but doubtless the Chinese government has not filed its claim without having at least what it regards as abundant evidence to sustain the charge.

It is said that the claim raises some novel and interesting points of international law. There will be more or less interest to learn what these are, but what ever they may be it is safe to assume that the general government will treat the demand for indemnity as it has others of a similar character—that is, China will be informed that the federal government is not responsible for outrages committed in the states upon foreign citizens and that payment of indemnity for such outrages by the general government is simply a matter of courtesy, implying no legal obligation. However China will probably realize on the claim, since our government will doubtless be willing to deduct the amount from its indemnity claim against China, and the Chinese government could not very well decline a proposition of this kind. As to the claimants, who are said to number several hundred, their chances of getting anything are small and remote.

Comptroller of the Currency Dawes has authorized a statement that the national banks of the country are in a more prosperous condition today than ordinarily, and that their resources are greater than at any time in the history of the country. The reflex of banking prosperity is seen in the factory, in the shop, in the field, in the office, in the home. Without general prosperity the banks must, of a necessity, suffer stagnation. The statement, therefore, that the banks are flourishing, means that the country generally is prosperous to a proportionately high degree. Since the panic of 1893 the entire country has rapidly regained ground. Money has been worth more in the market, there has been more cash in circulation, a greater amount of money has been invested and the investments have been safer and have given better returns. The result of this combination of favorable conditions has been the complete and rapid restoration of public confidence, strengthened and assured by the positive knowledge that business in all lines is on a solid, substantial, practical basis. In this general prosperity the working-man shares with the capitalist. There is more demand for labor, at better prices. The money paid for this labor goes into the general market and becomes the agent of mutual advantage to both. There is less overproduction today than a year ago, laborers work fewer hours and as a result, more labor is employed. In every way the country is experiencing a prosperity which is not spasmodic, but is steady, healthy and full of promise for the future.

Every true American will applaud the patriotic utterances of ex-Secretary Day before the Ohio Bar association. There was no sign of vainglorious boasting, no trace of so-called imperialism in it. It was simply the expression of a high-minded citizen of the United States. As such it will receive the heartiest indorsement of everyone except perhaps the few who believe in a sky high wall of selfish exclusion between this country and the rest of the world. The Spanish war taught the great nations to have the most ample respect for the majesty of the United States and today no man receives more courteous treatment than an American; no flag is more honored all around the world than the Stars and Stripes. But this is not enough, for the mightiest of all nations must concern itself with all movements for the betterment of mankind. As Mr. Day well says: "This new touch with the affairs of the world brings new opportunities and involves new responsibilities. Our widening horizon will give us clearer, as well as broader vision. We must prepare to acquit ourselves in these new relations in a manner creditable to our traditions." The United States will hereafter, so long as the world shall exist, be a world's power, and no Bryan, no Teller, no Atkinson, will ever be able to stay its progress one hair's breadth.

Massachusetts is endeavoring to find some means of utilizing its abandoned farms. Out in the country well tilled fields may be seen for miles until an approach is made of say twenty miles to a large city when houses disappear and fields are seen in weeds, with no evidence of cultivation. The people find better employment in the city at the factories

than by working in the fields. The New York Press suggests that these farms may be used with good effect by fitting them up as country resorts for the temporary occupation of people in the city who every year are anxious to escape the summer heat. As the Press says, the abandoned farm can be made a healthful and permanently attractive summer home for the small salaried professional man or teacher now living in college towns or small sized cities. He may find a permanent investment in an abandoned farm rather than spending time and energy seeking for a place where he might stay two or three months in the summer. An abandoned farm can be turned into a home where all care and mental toil may be abandoned and a rest so much desired obtained.

So far, the indications are that Kansas and Missouri are not to be counted on as factors in the corn market this year. These immense producers of this cereal are burned out by the worst drought experienced in almost half a century. Kansas presents a pitiable spectacle, and the indications are that the crop in many parts of the state will amount to little or nothing. The whole state will be lucky if it has 29 per cent of its normal yield. Some of the most distressing reports come from Missouri, where the present drought is said not to have been equaled since 1854. Rivers and wells are rapidly drying up and farmers are disposing of all live stock as rapidly as possible, being unable to furnish fodder. Prospects are particularly poor in the southern half of the state. All early crops are admittedly a failure, and little hope is entertained for late-planted stuff.

The Wheeler Lumber Company will contest the filing of the Oregon Coal and Timber Co. on the Nehalem and its tributaries. A declaration was filed by George R. Vosburg, president of the company, in the county clerk's office at Astoria, of intention to improve the streams under the law governing the improvement of unnavigable streams. Attached to the declaration was a petition alleging the claim of the Oregon Coal and Timber Company to be faulty in that the maps filed are not accurate. Mr. Vosburg alleges that employes of his company spent four years making a survey and that when the Oregon company learned of this they had a hasty sketch made and filed on the streams. The Wheeler company agrees to allow the county court to fix the rates of toll to be charged for floating logs. The claims of the two companies will have to be determined by the courts from the present outlook.—Astorian.

The Central Law Journal of St. Louis makes an argument in behalf of a uniform national divorce law, holding that such a statute is necessary to secure the purity and indestructibility of the home, and that "in Aryan civilization, at least, the home has always been most jealously guarded as the fountain spring out of which come all that is good or bad in the social and political life of the people." The Journal calls attention to a recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States as a rebuke to the confusion of authority existing between the states on the subject of divorce, resulting in the absurdity that people held to be divorced in one state are regarded as married in another. Several prominent papers, quoted by the Journal, urge Congress at the coming session to take up the matter of a federal divorce law, and the issue is one that promises to be widely discussed.

The heated term in Washington has developed the official shirtwaist man, Secretary Root being a leader. He does not wear his coat or waistcoat in his office, except when some one calls upon him. Then he slips on a loose, thin coat. But at other times he sits in his office coatless, with an electric fan playing upon him. Mr. Root is the only cabinet officer who has developed the shirtwaist custom, but all of the other members come very close to it. They wear the thinnest of coats and no waistcoats. Heads of departments quite generally have dropped into the shirtwaist habit while in their offices, but in nearly all cases a coat is put on when visitors are announced.

**Blasts from Ram's Horn.**

You cannot kick and haul at the same time.  
A light tongue often makes a heavy heart.  
We are disciplined to prayer by our distresses.  
No church can be strengthened by the absent treatment.  
Sound doctrine does not depend on the volume of sound.  
Preaching without life will only result in living without practice.  
You can never rule with profit till you have learned to submit with patience.  
The impression that truth makes on you may be measured by your expression of it.  
Many are willing to offer bullocks to the Lord provided they can keep the meat and hide.  
A man's interest in the church will depend on the amount of principle he has in it.  
Some Christians imagine that they prove themselves to be of the tree of life by their bark.

**County Teachers' Institute.**

The annual teachers' institute for Tillamook county will take place in this city on July 29, 30 and 31. Superintendent G. B. Lamb has succeeded in securing a number of well-known instructors in the persons of Prof. David Torbet, professor of science and mathematics at Albany College; Prof. L. H. Baker, principal of Park school, Salem; Prof. S. S. Duncan, principal of McMinnville schools; and Prof. B. O. Snuffer, principal of Tillamook City schools. State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman will attend and, as usual, will take a lively interest in the work at the institute, giving a public lecture on Monday evening, as will also Prof. D. Torbet on Tuesday evening and Prof. S. S. Duncan on Wednesday evening. The program is as follows:

MONDAY.—9 a. m., opening and organizing; history, S. S. Duncan; arithmetic, David Torbet; literature, L. H. Baker; geography, S. S. Duncan; nature study and science (primary division), David Torbet; school management, B. O. Snuffer; physiology (primary), David Torbet; school law, J. H. Ackerman.

TUESDAY.—History, S. S. Duncan; arithmetic, David Torbet; literature and reading (6th and 7th grade), L. H. Baker; geography, S. S. Duncan; nature study and science (intermediate division), David Torbet; school management (organization), B. O. Snuffer; physiology (intermediate), David Torbet; "Elements of Teaching" from "White's Pedagogy," J. H. Ackerman.

WEDNESDAY.—History, S. S. Duncan; arithmetic, David Torbet; literature and reading (8th grade), L. H. Baker; geography, S. S. Duncan; nature study and science (intermediate division), David Torbet; school management (means of discipline), B. O. Snuffer; physiology, David Torbet.

**Lectures.**

Monday, July 29th, at 8 p. m., State Superintendent J. H. Ackerman.

Tuesday, July 30th, at 8 p. m., "Geology and Moses; or, the Earth Made in Six Days," Prof. David Torbet, of Albany.

Wednesday, July 31st, at 8 p. m., Prof. S. S. Duncan, of McMinnville.

**Bible and Agriculture.**

A couple of weeks ago Secretary Wilson addressed the graduates of the National Farm school at Doylestown, Pa. This school was founded by the influential Hebrews of the city of Philadelphia, with a view of turning them back to their former occupation in which they thrived in ancient times, while at the present time they push and jostle each other in the endeavor to earn a scant amount of money not even sufficient to keep body and soul together.

In his address Mr. Wilson showed the bible to be the original text book on soils and crops and its patriarchal figures as husbandmen and shepherds. He said in part: "Moses, the law giver, kept the flocks of Jethro, his father-in-law, in the wilderness while he was being prepared for his life work. David, the sweet singer of Israel, was a shepherd when he was sent with loaves of bread and cheese to his brothers in Saul's army. Joseph understood irrigation and the effect of moisture and growing crops; Daniel knew the value of the legume in his food ration and conducted the first experiment of which we have any record.

"There is no book in print," he continued, "of which I have any knowledge that gives so many hints to the farmer about his business as the bible. Every student of agriculture should be entirely familiar with it; its intensive and forcible styles are quite as desirable as any he is likely to acquire elsewhere."

**School Report.**

District No. 6, Tillamook co., for term ending July 9th, 1901.

No days taught, 94; no. pupils enrolled, 30; average daily attendance, 23; no visitors, 62.

The following pupils were neither absent nor tardy during the term: Daisy Fletcher, Alice Gardener and Lona Christensen.

Those neither absent nor tardy during the last month were: Floyd and Carl Commons, Jessie Rock, Alice Gardener, Daisy Fletcher and Lona Christensen.  
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