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Citizens Have Made Great Preparations to Entertain Their Guests—Frank Miller a Candidate for Department Commander—Ariel Club Opens the Boating Season—New World's Record by a Seattle Linotype Operator.

SALINAS, April 18.—Salinas is being decorated with flags and banners for the annual encampment of the Grand Army, which begins next Wednesday and lasts three days.

At 2 p. m. the business session of the Grand Army of the Republic will begin. In the evening another public reception will be given, at which addresses of welcome are to be made by Mayor Harris, Hon. C. F. Lacey and Dr. T. C. Edwards.

Responsibility will be made by the Department Commander and others. Thursday morning a parade will take place. Troop C of Salinas will act as mounted escort, followed by the Fifth Regiment, United States Artillery Band, Veteran Guard, Commander Masteller and staff, delegates to the conventions, school children and civil societies.

CITY OF PEKING ARRIVES.

Japan Criticizes European Courts for Not Going into Mourning.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The steamship City of Peking arrived today from Hongkong and Yokohama with the following Oriental arrivals: It is stated that Hsu Ching Cheng, who has just been relieved of his post of Minister to Russia, Germany and Austria, is to be President of the proposed Russo-Chinese railways in Manchuria.

Among the passengers on the City of Peking was Min Sangho, who is sent by the Korean Government as a delegate to the conference of the International Postal Union at Washington.

The Japanese papers contain unfavorable criticism of European Governments for the failure of the various courts to go into mourning in honor of the late Empress dowager of Japan. The courts of Spain and Belgium were the only ones that extended this courtesy to Japan.

BOATING SEASON OPENED.

The Ariel Boating Club Has Its Races Yesterday.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The Ariel Rowing Club opened the boating season today. There were a number of interesting races over the long bridge course, all the events being one and one-half miles with a turn.

The first event was the junior skiff race and was won by Andrew Carroll by ten lengths. Time—11:05. C. McAuliffe was second and H. O. Piess, third.

The senior skiff race came next, William McCausland beating Robert Ellis by six lengths in 9:22.

The third race brought out the junior large crews, the one composed of Andrew Carroll, Albert Carroll, George McGinnis and Frank Wilson with W. Manzan as coxswain, winning in 10:33.

Two senior large crews competed in the fourth event, which was an exceedingly close race, the crew composed of John Nelson, George Ellis, George Phillips and William McDonald, winning by less than a length in 10:55.

The last event was a match race between the old time champions, Leander Stevenson and Wm. Gowney, the latter winning by half a length in 11:05.

A NEW WORLD'S RECORD.

A Seattle Linotype Operator's Great Feat.

SEATTLE, April 18.—M. M. Baker, a linotype operator in the office of the "Post-Intelligencer," today made a new world's record for eight hours' machine composition, setting in that time 85,872 ems of solid nonpareil. The feat was performed during ordinary working hours, in composition on a book now under publication in the office from manuscript copy, and with no preliminary preparations.

Baker, who is an extraordinarily rapid operator, simply made the announce-

ment that he would attempt to beat the record, and requested that a man be detailed to time and others to measure his time. He started in at the usual hour of composition, took an hour for lunch and made the record above in eight hours' actual work. The lowest for any single hour was 10,050 ems, the drop being due to technical terms. Baker learned to operate machines in this city.

AUSTRALIANS BEATEN.

They Came Here to Show Americans How to Play Ball.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The Australian baseball team made its first appearance in a game here today and suffered defeat at the hands of the Olympics, score 20 to 9. The Australians batted and ran bases well, but were slow in the field. They also showed lack of knowledge of the fine points of the game. The Olympic team was composed of amateurs, and they had no trouble in fooling the foreigners.

Baseball was introduced in Australia eight years ago by the Chicago and All-America teams on their tour of the world. The sport found favor at once, and the Australians became so well versed in the game that they started on a trip to this country to show what they could do. They will leave here shortly for the East, where they have engagements to play in various cities.

TWO BIG GUNS.

They Will be Mounted at Fort Point and Lime Point.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The two twelve-inch rifled guns intended for bay defense, one to be mounted at Lime Point and the other at Fort Point, have been received here. They are practically duplicates, differing only in the nature of their mounting. Both were made at the Watervliet Arsenal, and were shipped from Highland Beach, Sandy Hook, after being tested. Each gun weighs 115,830 pounds, measures 42 feet in length and throws a shot weighing 1,000 pounds.

Four guns exactly like these have been mounted for some time, two on each side of the bay, and the new arrivals are to complete a battery of three guns, one at Lime Point and the other at Fort Point.

GAMES DECLARED OFF.

There Will be None Between Berkeley and Stanford This Year.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The intercollegiate games between Stanford University and the University of California have been declared off this year. The managers of the college teams could not agree about the scoring of points. Stanford wanted the method used by the amateur athletic union, whereby first place counts five, second two and third one. The University of California wanted the count always used in professional contests between colleges, when second place counted three points, no agreement could be reached, and the games will not be held. Both universities had prepared strong teams, which appeared to be evenly matched.

THE FAIR CASE.

Mrs. Craven's Part of it Will Come Up in Court To-day.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—A million and a half dollars in city lots and rented houses hang upon the suit, trial of which will begin to-morrow. The end of delays having come in the suit of the executor of the Fair estate, Mrs. Craven to-morrow morning before Judge Slack, will begin the selection of jurors who will advise the Judge if the pencil deeds bearing the name of James G. Fair and the certificates of acknowledgment of J. J. Cooney are forged or genuine. All the attorneys concerned in the case say that the trial will proceed without further postponement.

Coursing at Ingleside.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The thirty-two-dog stake competition at Ingleside, commencing today, was well attended. The weather was perfect, hares and dogs ran well, and more than a few ladies turned out to see the sport. John and James Grace acted as judge and slipper, respectively. In the finals Magnet beat Fireball, taking first prize, \$50; Fireball, second, \$30; West Side and Lord Byron, third and fourth, \$15 each.

Railway Officials Arrive.

SALT LAKE, April 18.—E. McNeil, President and General Manager of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company, arrived here this morning from the East, accompanied by several officials of the road. The party left for Portland at 7 o'clock this evening. Mr. McNeil denied the rumor that negotiations are in progress for the consolidation of the Oregon Short Line and Oregon Railway and Navigation Company.

Will Back Gold Bug Again.

OAKLAND, April 18.—James Hunter, the veteran horseman who made three unsuccessful attempts to commit suicide, was taken from the City Prison this morning by his friends and is again at Emeryville. He announces that he will back Gold Bug again, but not with his life this time.

She Enjoyed the Opera.

He—Well, did you enjoy the evening? She—Indeed I did. We went to the opera. He—Of course you enjoyed it? She—Immensely. He—What did you hear? She—What did I hear? Well, what didn't I hear? I heard that Nell Vandordyke is engaged to Tom Browning, and that Jack Rentz and Edith Singleton have quarreled and are not going to be married after all. Then I heard that Mrs. Tenbroke is going to get a divorce from her husband, Pen Tenbroke is going to Europe and expects to bag a duke at the very least. Mrs. Thornydyke has been sued by her dressmaker. The Livingstons have a baby. Count Cantukont is not a count at all. The Thompsons boys—

Getting Rid of Truth.

First Bicycle Crank—No, I never carry an extra ounce of weight on my wheel, not even a tool bag. Second Ditto—But suppose you break down on the road and had no tools? First B. C.—Oh, that's easily arranged. I carry my tools in my pocket. Invariably.

The youth who is falling in love. Has got to do things by degrees. First he sets down on his lip. And then he gets down on his knees. —New York World.

BARON COURCEL IS THE MAN

WHO WILL PROBABLY BE CHOSEN AS FIFTH ARBITRATOR

In Settling the Boundary Quarrel Between Venezuela and Great Britain.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The name of Baron Courcel, the eminent French jurist and diplomat, at present French Ambassador to Great Britain, probably will be suggested as the fifth and final arbitrator in the case of arbitration between Great Britain and Venezuela. The treaty of arbitration recently ratified by these two Governments provided that the fifth arbitrator shall be chosen by the four designated to represent the two countries, and in the event of their inability to agree on a fifth, then King Oscar of Norway and Sweden is named the final arbitrator. There appears to be little doubt, however, that the four arbitrators will reach an agreement, and with this end in view, semi-official inquiries have been made as to the availability of Baron Courcel. His choice would add another notable name to a court which promises to be noted for the personnel of its members, who thus far are Chief Justice Fuller and Justice Brewer, in behalf of Venezuela, and Baron Henschel and Sir Richard Penn Collins, in behalf of Great Britain.

will meet in Paris in the summer of 1898, the preceding time being required for the exchange of pleadings. In the meantime, and within three months of the exchange of ratifications, the final arbitrator must be chosen. As the treaty is ratified by both Governments, the formal exchange of ratifications will follow in the near future either in Washington or London, and negotiations toward naming the fifth arbitrator will immediately follow, in order that an agreement may be reached within the three months prescribed. Up to the time of his sudden death a few days ago, James W. Storrow, chief counsel for Venezuela, had made careful inquiry as to the availability of Baron Courcel as the fifth arbitrator. The abilities of the French diplomat were regarded as eminently fitting him for the place. It was felt, however, that as France had a boundary dispute with Brazil involving the same points as the Venezuela-British case, Baron Courcel might have fixed convictions concerning the issue involved. Mr. Storrow conferred with the French Embassy in Washington, and the general conclusion reached was that Baron Courcel could not be named as arbitrator without a treaty just signed. The inquiries left little doubt that the French diplomat would be suggested as the fifth arbitrator.

Baron Courcel is one of the foremost jurists of Europe. He was chosen President of the Court of Arbitration between the United States and Great Britain on the Behring Sea question. He came from one of the old royalist families of the empire, but is a sturdy Republican, and has taken part rank among French leaders. It was during the strained conditions of European affairs a year ago, requiring skillful diplomacy, that France availed herself of his services as Ambassador to Great Britain. He speaks English fluently, which would materially aid in a court made up entirely of English-speaking arbitrators.

SETH MILLIKEN'S DEATH.

A Familiar Figure Removed From the House of Representatives.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Seth L. Milliken, representing in the House of Representatives the Third District of Maine, died to-night at 9:30 o'clock. For some time Mr. Milliken had suffered from a chronic form of the bronchial tubes which refused to yield to treatment. Within a week more alarming symptoms appeared, pneumonia setting in and kidney and liver complications manifesting themselves. He did not take to his bed, however, until last week, and with a few intervals when he seemed to rally for a short time, he continued to grow worse. During the last few days his breath-moves a striking figure from the House. He was unconscious. To-day he failed rapidly and his physicians abandoned hope. Death finally came at 9:30 o'clock. When he came Mrs. Milliken, who had been summoned hastily from her home in Maine, his son, who reached the city last night from West Point, his brothers Frank and Byron, who are residents of this city, and several intimate friends were at his bedside. Mr. Milliken also had a daughter in California. His remains will be taken to Maine for interment.

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WEINSTOCK, LUBIN & CO. TWO BIG EVENTS for MONDAY, April 19th. SPECIAL SALE WOMEN'S SHOES FROM HOOKE STOCK. Monday, 9:30. We bought recently the entire Shoe Stock of Mr. S. Hooke, Ukiah, Cal., and also portions of a fine stock from San Francisco wholesalers. As a result we are prepared to present most unusual values. The women's shoes from both stocks have been divided into three lots, to be offered Monday, beginning at 9:30 a. m. LOT 1—Women's Kid Button Shoes, in various styles, chiefly with plain toes, but all good quality, and will give good service. Sale Price, 88c. LOT 2—The medium grades in Women's Kid Button Shoes. Many styles, kinds and qualities and all with patent leather tips. Sale Price, \$1 18. LOT 3—The best grades found in these stocks of Women's Kid Button Shoes. Medium square or round toes, and all with patent leather tips. Soft turned, flexible soles and fine quality kid. Sale Price, \$1 48. Weinstock, Lubin & Co., 400-412 K Street.

County would be prejudiced against Hunter, and he should let the matter go over until September.

E. T. Franks, who is jointly indicted with Dr. Hunter and the rest, said he was given to James J. Corbett on his arraignment on this point, and said he did not know what conclusion would be reached. There is still a good deal of talk about a new caucus, but Hunter's personal friends are not among those who are indulging in it. It is evident that if he is to be withdrawn at all, he must not only be allowed to take his time in doing so, but to practically dictate his successor. Only a formal ballot will be taken again to-morrow, but interesting developments are looked for Tuesday.

CORBETT CHEERED.

Crowds Gather to See Him at the Academy of Music.

NEW YORK, April 18.—In marked contrast to the reception which was accorded to Robert Fitzsimmons on his arrival in this city for the first time since the Carson fight was that which was given to James J. Corbett on his arrival here to-day. He came in from Philadelphia over the Jersey City Central at noon and went at once to the Academy of Music, where his play opens to-morrow night. Kid McCoy and Manager William A. Brady met Corbett attended a rehearsal of his play at the Academy, remaining there for two hours. He looked remarkably well.

While Corbett was in the Academy the word had gone around the neighborhood that he was there, and soon crowds gathered at the stage door. When he came out he was roundly cheered and remarked: "Well, I have a few friends left in New York yet."

He pushed his way through the crowd and entered a cab, in which he and Brady were driven to the Gilsey House.

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muda, is here, having been put ashore in a boat. He paid his respects to the Captain of the Vesuvius this afternoon along with Dr. Joaquin Castillo, the well-known Cuban agitator, the latter's wife and a local Cuban leader.

RUSSIA WANTS STEEL ARMOR, And Makes an Offer to an American Steel Company.

CHICAGO, April 18.—The Illinois Steel Company has received through the Russian Minister at Washington a proposition looking to the company bidding on armor plate for two Russian warships. The contract is to be for 8,000 tons and in case of award the Chicago concern would turn into its treasury in the neighborhood of \$3,000,000. It is said the Russian Minister at Washington is to furnish the United States Government with armor plate at the remarkably low figure of \$240 a ton has started the War Departments the world over. For the last two years the Russian Government has been coming to the plate of steel for nearly all the armor plate used in constructing their new ships of war, but the contracts have heretofore been awarded to either the Carnegie or Bethlehem Companies, each of which have supplied the armor for a Russian man-of-war. The war scare in the far East has evidently started the most active preparations in the steel industry of the world. The contract which the Illinois Steel Company is asked to bid on is the largest ever awarded by the Russian Government. It is hinted that it is the purpose of the latter to get in its contract ahead of the United States.

President Gates was seen to-day but he refused to discuss the matter further than to say that the report was correct and that he had written the Russian Minister at Washington through whom the offer was made for all necessary particulars for proceeding with the bids.

The matter will be laid before the Directors of the company next Wednesday in New York.

RIVERA RECOVERING. He Hopes for a Special Pardon by the Crown.

HAVANA, April 18.—The correspondent of the Associated Press went to Cabanas Fortress to-day and saw General Ruiz Rivera and Colonel Bacallao. He found Rivera in a large, dry and well-ventilated cell. At the moment of the visit the General was lying down, but he had been able to leave his bed the day before. His wounds are healing rapidly and he is hoping to be pardoned as a special favor of the crown.

Colonel Bacallao is similarly situated, and the two officers have a servant who attends them. They have comfortable beds and good meals sent in daily from a restaurant near by. Neither has any special complaint to make. Colonel Bacallao also is hopeful of a special pardon. The correspondent to-day saw Owen Melton and Alfred Laborde of the Competitor crew. They are doing well. Brigadier-General Moncada has been promoted to be second in command under the Chief of Staff of Captain Weyler.

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In after years he supported such stars as Charlotte Cushman, Mary Anderson, Margaret Mather, and more recently Julia Marlowe.

Visiting Grant's Tomb. NEW YORK, April 18.—Pedestrians, carriages and bicycles thronged Riverside Drive to-day, and it is estimated that over a hundred thousand people visited Grant's Tomb. Not until the bronze doors of the mausoleum were closed at 5:30 o'clock did the crowd diminish to any extent on the plaza in front of the monument.

A number of prominent people had tickets admitting them to the interior of the monument.

Americans Return Home. NEW YORK, April 18.—Wayne MacVeagh, formerly United States Ambassador to Italy, returned to America on board the New York, accompanied by his wife and daughter. On the same steamer were also John H. Starin, Jas. and Samuel Hill of the Great Northern Railroad and Colonel Henry B. Plummen. The New York's time was seven days, twenty hours and twenty-three minutes.

Emphatically Denied. DENVER, April 18.—At the Union Pacific, Denver and Gulf, and the Colorado Midland offices the report sent from Denver yesterday to the effect that a consolidation of the Gulf and Midland Railroads is contemplated, and that Mr. Trumbull and Mr. Kistine are now in New York is emphatically denied.

Express Agent Kills Himself. ARDMORE (I. T.), April 18.—W. R. Cullen, agent of the Wells-Fargo Express Company, committed suicide by shooting when the traveling auditor appeared at his office to examine the books. So far Auditor Hill has been unable to discover any deficit in the accounts of the suicide.

Fell to His Death. ST. JOHN (N. B.), April 18.—Rev. D. Corbett, a Roman Catholic priest attached to the Cathedral Parish, fell from the third-story window of the Bishop's residence early this morning and was instantly killed.

Fire at Grand Crossing. CHICAGO, April 18.—This afternoon fire destroyed the greater portion of the plant of the Grand Crossing Tack Company at Grand Crossing, Ill. The loss was \$336,000, with insurance of \$114,000.

"Hold-Ups, 25 Cents." In these days of highway robberies and Judge Murphyism, when every man carries a gun and looks up dark alleys when he walks along the streets, the watchful citizen is liable to start at anything that bears the least resemblance to a hold-up.

Many a man who has come down town in the morning with his eyes half-open has given an involuntary jump to one side as he passed a certain haberdasher's store on Olive street.

Standing just outside the door is a glass case filled with gentlemen's furnishing goods. Inside of the case, in red and black letters is this sign: "Hold-ups, 25 cents."

There is many a man in St. Louis who would hold you up for less than twenty-five cents, but very few of them are willing to placard the fact for the benefit of the public.

A closer look, however, discloses the fact that the "hold-ups" in this case are cheap suspenders.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.