

cial object in visiting this country is to study American construction and management, with a view to adopt some of the features in a proposed extension of the Chinese railway system. In fact the Viceroy intimated that he is negotiating for the services of an American civil engineer, who, if he accepts the offer made him, will go to China in the near future and take charge of the railway extension scheme now being outlined. It says there are only about 200 miles of single track railroad in China at present. Only three trains are run each day, and there is no traffic at night, the system being crude and the liability to accident a constant menace.

THE ARREST OF TOLON.

Occurred After He Had Boarded an American Steamer.

HAVANA, Sept. 6.—Samuel S. Tolon, a prominent merchant of Cardiner, and a naturalized American citizen, who was arrested Thursday as the Ward line steamer Seneca was on the point of sailing, was arrested after he had actually gone on board the Seneca. It is stated that his ticket was issued at the last moment, and outside the regular hours for issuing tickets, and a special passenger list was made up for him. Mr. Tolon, when arrested, was unwilling to go on shore, but the captain and consigne of the Seneca persuaded him to make no violent opposition.

The steamer Colon has arrived here, having on board 45 officers and 1000 soldiers. They were landed at the wharves at Regla, and did not pass through the city. The great park in the city was decorated and illuminated at night, and a committee went on board the Colon distributed cigars and tobacco among the newly arrived troops.

The insurgents having burned the tobacco plantations of Santa Isabel in Matanzas, the proprietor, Juan Nenniger, places his loss at \$225,000.

The insurgent leaders, Bien Venido Sanchez and Acea, have had a conflict on the coast near Guira Melena, in Havana province. It is not known whether this collision was due to an error or to the rivalry between the two leaders.

Captain-General Weyler has prohibited the sale of the book, "Chronicles of the war in Cuba," the author of which is Rafael Guerrero, and which was published in Spain. The volumes sent to Cuba have been seized.

MORE TROUBLE IN COREA.

Natives Object to Being Retired Use of Opium.

SEATTLE, Wash., Sept. 2.—Naval Lieutenants John M. Hawley, E. Lloyd and James T. Smith, lately detached from the Government armored cruiser Detroit, arrived in this city tonight from Vancouver, having been passengers across the Pacific on the steamship Empress of India. They are en route to their respective homes—Boston, Washington City and New York. Hawley is a lieutenant commander and was placed in command of the Detroit upon the departure of Commander Newell for this city, where the latter is now upon his deathbed. The lieutenant commander and his brother left the Detroit at Chemulpoec, Corea.

The naval party had as a shipmate on the voyage across the Pacific the new Korean Minister to the United States, His Excellency Yi Pum Chin. Yi proceeded from Vancouver to the national capital. Lieutenant Hawley learned from the Korean Minister that there is more or less serious trouble brewing between the Chinese and Japanese governments over the matter of the use of opium in Formosa, to say nothing of native uprisings. It appears that Japan wants to at once abolish the habit of the natives, while by the latter it is contended that an abrupt prohibition of the use of the drug would result disastrously to those who have all their lives been addicted to the opium habit.

FOOD FOR BOLD SAILORS.

Will Try to Round Cape Horn in a Mite of a Boat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 6.—Charles Jensen and Charles Klein, two of the hardiest sailors that the Scandinavian peninsula ever produced, are preparing to attempt the daring feat of sailing around Cape Horn from San Francisco to New York in the smallest craft that ever attempted the passage. The vessel in which the trip is to be made is a sloop. She has a length of 33 feet over all, a water-line of 28 feet, beam 9 feet 6 inches, draft 3 feet, and a depth of 5 feet in the cabin roof. She has fore and aft compartments, besides the cabin, and her rail is six inches high. She carries a main sail and two jibs.

The trip which Jensen and Klein are preparing is about 8900 miles. They will keep the regular sailing course to make time, and will stop only at Valparaiso on this side and the Falkland Islands on the other. They will not take the Straits of Magellan, but will actually round the Horn and take chances with the dangers of the trip. They expect to start not later than October 15, and as much earlier as possible.

GAUDAUR IS CHAMPION.

Canadian Oarsman Plucks Laurel From Australia.

PITNEY, Eng., Sept. 7.—Jake Gaudaur of Toronto, champion oarsman of America, after a most disappointing race today over the four-mile championship course from Pitney to Mortlake, defeated James H. Stanbury of Australia, who recently beat "Wag" Harding in defence of the championship of the world. The race today was for the world's championship, \$5,000

and the Sportsman cup. The weather was as dismal as could be. There was a foul—a protest which was disregarded—and Gaudaur won by 20 lengths in 23 minutes and 1 second.

DREYFUS ESCAPES.

His Wife Rescues Him From Exile Prison.

LONDON, Sept. 3.—In an interview, Captain Hunter of the British steamer Nonpareil, from Cayenne, French Guiana, is quoted as saying that Dreyfus, captain of the French military convicts escaped on board an American schooner, and with the help of his wife, formerly Mdee. Hadmard, the daughter of wealthy parents. Madame Dreyfus, at the urgent request of the prisoner, received permission from the French government to join her husband in his place of imprisonment, and in due course of time arrived at Cayenne well supplied with funds.

Madame Dreyfus was a firm believer in the innocence of her husband, and when she reached Cayenne the French authorities offered her the use of a



CAPTAIN ALBERT DREYFUS.

steam launch to take her to the Grand Salut islands where her husband's prison was situated, but she declined, saying she wished to become accustomed to the climate before going to the island. Thereupon the steam launch left Cayenne.

According to Capt. Hunter Madame Dreyfus lost no time in perfecting plans for her husband's escape, or else she must have had assistance from persons who had reached Cayenne some time before her, for the same night, he says, an American schooner with Madame Dreyfus on board, appeared off Grand Salut island, sent a boat ashore and brought off not only the prisoner but several of the men who had been detailed to guard him, apparently proving conclusively that everything was arranged for the escape of Capt. Dreyfus before his wife reached Cayenne.

TOAST TO THE CZAR.

Emperor William Gives His "Const." Good Send Off.

CORLITZ, Sept. 8.—Emperor William, in proposing the toast of the Fifth army corps at last night's banquet, made a long speech, in which he expressed the thanks of himself, also in the name of his revered grandfather and never-to-be-forgotten father, for the splendid efficiency of the corps. The emperor continued: "Truly, a fine portion of Prussia's history passes in view before us, with their regiments, their names and colors. Our hearts are stirred as the vision carries us back where so many of those who belonged to the regiments are laid at rest; who, with their blood and lives, helped to win and achieve that which causes us to rejoice today. It is my and your special satisfaction and your good fortune to appear in this state of high efficiency before the eyes of my beloved neighbor and cousin, His Majesty Czar Nicholas of Russia."

"We are still all under the fascination the youthful figure of that knightly emperor; we still see him as he rode past us at the head of his late father's regiment. His efforts are directed towards drawing together the people of Europe in order to unite them on grounds of common interests and for the protection of their most sacred possessions.

FREE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

Tuition Fees Considered an Obstacle to the Growth of the Schools.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 6.—Archbishop Ireland has issued a letter announcing that hereafter at the Catholic parochial schools no tuition will be charged, such tuition being considered an obstacle to the growth of the schools. In the course of the letter he says: "Of course the expenses of maintaining the schools must be provided for in some way. The pastors will take the amount of these expenses from the regular church receipts of the parish, and will rely upon extraordinary measures which their own judgment may commend. Catholics will, we are sure, co-operate with their pastors in maintaining the parish schools. The proper view to be taken of the Catholic school is to regard it as a great religious work, in which all are concerned, whether they have or have not children attending it."

DEATH OF NEWELL.

Commander of United States Cruiser Detroit Succumbs.

SEATTLE, September 3.—Commander John Stark Newell, Captain of the United States armored cruiser Detroit, died in this city at the residence of ex-Mayor Frank D. Black at 2:40 o'clock this afternoon from anemic condition

of the blood. His remains will be sent to New York City to-morrow evening, accompanied by Mrs. Newell, who has been in Seattle since her husband's condition became serious.

Captain Newell's illness was contracted while undergoing privations in connection with his labors as the representative of the United States in the investigation of the massacre of missionaries at Kiepsim, Central China, in the fall of 1885. Commander Newell was a lineal descendant of the Starks of Revolutionary fame.

Pacific Coast for McKinley.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6.—Chairman Babcock, of the republican congressional committee, today received a telegram from Vice-Chairman Apsley, who with Representative Call is making a tour of political observation throughout the far Northwest and along the Pacific coast. Mr. Apsley's reports were not of the most rosy character while he was in the silver-producing section, but his dispatch today from Seattle gave much satisfaction to Mr. Babcock and associates. He said:

"McKinley will carry the Pacific coast by a great majority, sure. We had routing meetings all along the line, at Portland and at San Francisco, and expect one tomorrow at Spokane. The outlook is of the best, and I will report in detail on the 15th."

Spanish Convoys Captured.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana says:

The Herald's correspondent on the Meron Jacaro trocha sends word that the insurgents have seized a Spanish convoy which left Ciego de Avira for Los Piedras August 27, killing, wounding or capturing the entire government force, consisting of 300 men, who were in charge of the convoy.

The Spanish commander, with eight members of his staff, was released, however, after being disarmed by the rebels.

Wheeling in Water.

NEW YORK, Sept. 3.—Two water bicycles were received to day to be used to carry the War Department messages from the Battery to Governor's Island, where General Nelson A. Miles will be ready to receive them. The chain which operates the screw propeller of the boat is attached to the wheel of the bicycle. As the boats only draw three inches of water, there is no danger of their capsizing or sinking.

New Comet Discovered.

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 5.—A cablegram received here from the European Union of Astronomers announces that a comet has been discovered by Giacobini, one of the assistants at the observatory at Nice. The position of the object at the ascension 17 hours, 10 minutes, 13 seconds, declination south 7 degrees, 29 minutes. The comet has a slight southeasterly motion.

To Enforce England's Demands.

LONDON, Sept. 2.—In official circles it is believed the Marquis of Salisbury has determined to pursue his own course in Constantinople in future, and has given to the British ambassador, Sir Phillip Currie, precise and significant instructions, with greater powers, to command naval aid in enforcing the demands of Great Britain.

THANKS TO "AULD REEKIE."

Young Planter Also Asks for More Information.

MR. EDITOR:—Allow me, through you, to thank "Auld Reekie" for the able and instructive article on the handling of the coffee tree. I might say in passing that it is just such articles that make the Advertiser the valuable paper it is.

"Auld Reekie" agrees with R. Ross, Chas. D. Miller and many others that I might quote in the handling of the coffee tree. Therefore he gives me the greatest confidence in what he writes.

I shall await his next article with interest. As he seems willing to give us planters the benefit of his experience, I should like him to tell what is best to do with primaries that grow to too great a length. Should secondaries be allowed to grow before a tree is topped? How long does it usually take new wood to bear a crop? Now, "Dear Auld Reekie," if you will kindly tell me what you would do when your Japanese go so slow that you have to set two stakes to see if they are moving, I think I will say: Aloha nui oe, Yours,

YOUNG PLANTER.

TRILBY LAST NIGHT.

Drill Shed Packed to Suffocation.

An Excellent Performance.

The largest paid audience that has ever assembled in a theatre in Honolulu was at the Drill Shed last night to witness the performance of Trilby by A. M. Palmer's New York Company under the management of W. A. Brady. Owing to the absence of programs it was impossible for the audience to know who composed the cast as a whole. Miss Crane, however, essayed Trilby in a very satisfactory and pleasing manner, and Jennie Reiferth did the French lady in her usual elegant manner. The character of the play was Swengall, and whoever the actor happened to be, was, in the opinion of many who have seen Wilton Lackye, superior to him in many ways. The Laird, Billy and Tapp, familiar to the Laird, Billy and Tapp, familiar to those who have read the book, were what Du Maurier intended his characters should be.

The play ran smoothly and in the third act the death scene of Swengall was, perhaps, the most realistic bit of

acting ever seen on the Honolulu boards. It left an impression that will not soon wear off. In the last act Miss Crane had rare opportunities to display her fine talents as an actress. Her death scene was especially good.

A Warship Expected.

H. B. M. Ship Comur, Capt. Dyke, will leave Vancouver early in October, and may be expected to arrive here during the latter part of the month. After remaining in port about two weeks she will resume her voyage, homeward bound, touching at Starbuck Island, Tahiti, Pitcairn and Easter Islands, thence to Valparaiso and Coquimbo. This will be the first visit of a British war ship at this port for nearly two years.

The "Coronet."

Prof. Maxwell is informed by Prof. Todd from Yokohama that the Amherst College Astronomical Expedition aboard the "Coronet," will not return by way of Honolulu unless by reason of adverse weather. Mr. James, the owner of the "Coronet" returns directly to New York on account of the political and business situation.

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