

SCHLEY'S COUNSEL

ASK SECRETARY LONG TO SIGN NAVAL COURT FINDINGS.

ADMIRAL SCHLEY OBJECTS

While the Navy Secretary Has Not Said So, It Is Understood That He Will Grant the Request.

(By Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 16.—At the opening of today's session of the senate, Mr. Jones of Arkansas introduced a joint resolution as follows:

"That the thanks of congress and the American people are hereby tendered to Rear Admiral Winfield S. Schley and the officers and men under his command for highly distinguished conduct in conflict with the enemy displayed by them in the destruction of the Spanish fleet off the harbor of Santiago July 3, 1898.

"That the president of the United States be requested to cause this resolution to be communicated to Rear Admiral Schley, and through him to the officers and men under his command."

Without comment the resolution was referred to the committee on naval affairs.

Dewey Has Nothing to Say.

Isadore Raynor and A. A. Teague, counsel for Admiral Schley before the court of inquiry, had a consultation with their client today for the purpose of outlining their future course of action.

Admiral Dewey, president of the court, was asked for a statement as to the extent to which he indorsed the findings of the majority of the court.

"I have not a word to say," he replied, "not a word."

Since the court of inquiry rendered its verdict Rear Admiral Schley has received a large number of letters and telegrams, all containing expressions of esteem, and offers of assistance.

To answer them personally would be a work of such magnitude that the admiral has addressed the following letter to the press, which he asks to be published:

Public Letter of Thanks.

"To the Press: I beg to express through the medium of the press my gratitude and heartfelt thanks for the kind words and evidences of interest in my welfare which I have received from all parts of the United States.

"The magnitude of the correspondence renders impossible for me to personally acknowledge the same, and I therefore take this means of expressing my appreciation to one and all. Very truly yours,

"WINFIELD SCOTT SCHLEY,

"Rear Admiral U. S. N."

NEWS FROM HAWAII

LAND OF FLOWERS

Collection of Income Tax a Partial Failure—Captain Amesbury Commended—Battleship Leaves.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)

Honolulu, Dec. 9, via San Francisco, Dec. 16.—Complete returns as to the income tax shows that the amount of tax collected will be far below the sum expected when the law was passed. The returns show an aggregate assessment of \$35,000, which is nearly about half of what it was hoped the tax would bring in. The smallness of the figures is believed to be due in part to recent failures in sugar stocks.

The board of survey appointed to examine the ship Roanoke which arrived here with a cargo of coal on fire, has made its report. The vessel is found to be considerably damaged and the board commends Captain Amesbury for making for Honolulu instead of trying to make San Francisco, declaring that his decision probably averted a terrible ocean tragedy.

The board recommends that she proceed to San Francisco with the coal now in her, amounting to about 1000 tons, the rest having been discharged here in an effort to find the fire.

The battleship Wisconsin will leave here on the 13th for Acapulco, Mexico. John Nickens, of the Hilo law firm of Wise & Nickens, died here last Thursday of diabetes.

"THE LONE MARINER"

REPORTED DROWNED

Captain Andrews, Who, With His Bride, Started Across the Atlantic in a Little Dory Not Heard From.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 16.—A special from Atlantic City, N. J., says: Capt. William Andrews and his bride sailed from Young's pier Sunday, September 23, in their 13-foot dory, the Dark Secret.

They expected to touch the Azores for a fresh supply of food and water and to land at some port in Spain or Portugal in from six to eight weeks' time.

On his former voyages across the Atlantic, Captain Anderson frequently spoke passing vessels and he was reported by them on their arrival in port, but "the lone mariner" and his bride have been gone now nearly three months and as their landing has not been reported anywhere, it is the opinion here that they have been drowned.

LORD ROSEBERRY'S SPEECH.

Much Interest Manifested in the ex-Premier's Forthcoming Address.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 16.—Commenting upon the political possibilities of the speech which it is expected that Lord Roseberry will make today, the London correspondent of the Tribune cables:

The hope that one section of the liberal party places in Lord Roseberry's emergence from the lonely furrow are only to be measured by the fears of the other, while the interest of each scarcely exceeds that of his majesty's ministers.

Their supporters outside of political

circles to the great mass of Englishmen who are not strong partisans—are looking to Lord Roseberry as the one man who, at the present moment, can give the country a useful lead.

Tremendous efforts are being made to have his speech fully reported and described. At one time it seemed probably that, owing to the breakdown of the wires, the telegraph authorities would be unable to cope with the work which will face them, but exceptional efforts have been made to repair the damages as quickly as possible, and it is hoped that all difficulties will be removed in time.

JACK MULLIGAN ARRESTED.

Charged With Having Seriously Injured Archie Worthington.

Jack Mulligan was arrested late this afternoon by Detective Jerry Murphy and lodged in the city jail to await the result of injuries inflicted upon Archie Worthington during a fight in the saloon of Craig & Connolly, in South Main street, at an early hour this morning.

Worthington's condition is said now to be serious. His temperature is high and his pulse above normal to such a degree that Dr. Sullivan fears the man may be internally injured.

(Full particulars of the fight and the circumstances which led up to it will be found on Page 6.)

Great Loss of Sheep.

(By Associated Press.)

Green River, Wyo., Dec. 16.—Andrew Christianson, who runs 3500 sheep north of Green River has reached here and reports that all the flocks in that section are lost, together with a number of herders. The storm, he says, was the worst he ever saw in this state. He believes the loss among sheep will be heavy.

Prince George Reappointed.

(By Associated Press.)

Rome, Dec. 16.—The Giomale D'Italia says that the Italian minister of foreign affairs and the ambassadors at Rome of Great Britain, France and Russia have decided to appoint Prince George of Greece, high commissioner in Crete for a further term of three years.

BOERS SCATTERING

ACTING PRESIDENT OF REPUBLIC HUNTING FOR SAFE PLACE.

BURGHERS ARE DISCONTENTED

Many of the South Africa Fighting Men Are Becoming Tired of War and All Are Drifting Northward.

(By Associated Press.)

Pretoria, Dec. 16.—The recent Boer successes have opportunely occurred at a moment when the Boers are showing signs of discontent with the life of commando, but the British, instead of congratulating themselves, ought to put forth further efforts on a bigger scale.

Another dispatch says that of the 800 Boers collected north of Bethel under General Piet Viljoen, only two commandos of a hundred men each remain in the neighborhood. The rest, including Viljoen, have gone to the northeast toward the Delagoa line.

There is no reason to doubt that acting-President Schalkburger and the Boer government officials have crossed the line north.

After addressing a large meeting near Carolina, at which he told the burghers that they must be steadfast as foreign intervention was certain before long, Schalkburger seems to have decided that the country north of the Delagoa railway line was more attractive than the high veldts where the British columns are hustling the Boers incessantly.

He is probably now in the neighborhood of Pilgrim's Rest where some 400 Boers have settled for the summer.

Piet Viljoen is the leading spirit of the Boers in the Eastern Transvaal. After General Botha had been busy encouraging the burghers with tales of withdrawal of British troops and of Boer successes in Cape Colony, his (Viljoen's) defeat by General Hamilton should summarily increase the discontent which is very rife among the Boers in these districts.

WANT EDWARD'S MEDIATION.

Business Men of Argentina Cable King Edward for Help.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 16.—The directors and managers of English banks and financial companies here have wired to London to urge the mediation of King Edward, who is the arbitrator of the boundary question, says the Buenos Ayres, Argentina correspondent of the Herald.

The governor of Mendoza has sent word that two Germans were detected making surveys near Puento Del Inca. It is said they are officers of the Chilean army.

The government has instructed the governor to send them off to Chile or bring them to Mendoza.

It is reported that the Argentine government is endeavoring to purchase the North German Lloyd steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse.

Whitney Ships His Racers.

(By Associated Press.)

New York, Dec. 16.—William C. Whitney, in an interview recently, said that Nasturtium, or Goldsmith, would be sent to England upon the Minnehaha, which leaves here December 23. He stated that he realized the danger to a thoroughbred shipped at this time of the year, but postponement would be unwise if the colt were to run in the derby.

Buy American Locomotives.

(By Associated Press.)

London, Dec. 16.—The directors of the Northeastern railway have not only adopted the American form of gathering statistics, but it also appears that they given an order for 20 American locomotives.

STREET ASSAULT

YOUNG MEN IN MISSOULA GET A WHIPPING.

GOSSIP ABOUT THE AFFAIR

Matter Will Probably Be Settled in the Courts, But in the Meantime Everyone Is Talking.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

Missoula, Dec. 16.—Sunday morning about 2 o'clock E. Blockley, Theodore Booth and T. O. B. Plunkett, young men stopping at the Florence hotel, were viciously assaulted on Higgins avenue. Booth being seriously injured. He is now in Trinity hospital, and it is believed his skull is fractured.

The assault was perpetrated on Higgins avenue near the residence of Judge Woody and was witnessed by members of Judge Woody's family and guests at the Kennedy hotel, who had been aroused by the outcries of the victims of the brutal assailants, two in number, armed with brass knuckles.

Booth, Blockley and Plunkett were returning from the home of young ladies they had accompanied from the bowling alley. When near the corner of Higgins avenue and Pine street two large men sprang upon the three and delivered rapid blows.

Calls for the Police.

Plunkett escaped injury. Blockley and Booth grappled with their assailants and put up as stiff a fight as they could, but they were overmatched in strength and soon sank down beneath the blows rained upon them.

The assaulted men cried themselves hoarse for the police, and the neighborhood had added its cries, but no officers put in an appearance. The men standing at Johnson's barn made no effort at rescue.

When the young men reached the Florence hotel they claimed to have recognized the men who assaulted them. The claim was made yesterday that an attempt to secure a warrant for the arrest of the accused men was a failure. Both justices of the peace assert that no application for a warrant has been made to them.

All sorts of rumors are afloat concerning the sanguinary encounter, but most people are satisfied to await action in the courts, if it can be secured, before expressing a decided opinion one way or the other.

A Traveling Man.

Mr. Booth, the one supposed to be seriously injured, is a traveling man, a fine appearing young fellow. Mr. Blockley is a young Englishman, connected with the real estate firm of Cobban & Co.

Mr. Plunkett is a young Irishman, who has been in Montana for about a year. He has some interests near Toston.

MANY ARE INJURED

IN THE GREAT NORTHERN ACCIDENT NEAR ESSEX.

ONLY ONE MAN IS KILLED

Spreading Rails on a New Road Bed Seems to Have Been the Cause—Many Wounded Passengers Robbed.

(Special to Inter Mountain.)

Kalspell, Dec. 16.—Great Northern Train No. 3 was wrecked near Essex, 59 miles east of here, early this morning, by the spreading of the rails newly laid by the steel gang.

The tourist sleeper, day coach, diner and sleeper were derailed, the first three rolling down a 25-foot embankment and the sleeper being thrown at right angles with the track.

Hugo Erickson, a native of Sweden, en route to visit his sister in California, was killed in his berth in the tourist sleeper. Twenty-two passengers were injured more or less seriously, but all will recover.

Three Women Hurt.

The injured include three women over 60 years of age. It is impossible to obtain all of the names of the injured at this time.

Among the injured are: Joseph Kipp of Blackfoot; badly bruised about the head and body.

Jack Miller of Blackfoot; bruised, not severely.

Yale Gleason of San Francisco, traveling man; bruised, not severely.

Mr. Tyckle, badly cut and bruised, address unknown.

The others injured are three old ladies, one young girl and three men, whose names cannot be learned.

One woman had her collar bone broken and was injured internally.

The other two women suffered broken ribs and were injured internally.

The young lady is said to be seriously hurt. She was pinned under the wreckage and had to be chopped out.

In all, 19 passengers are reported injured.

Parting of the Rails.

The cause of the wreck is believed to have been the parting of the rails. The debris caught fire, but the flames were extinguished by the uninjured passengers.

There is said to have been much looting during the excitement.

The railroad company dispatched physicians to the scene of the wreck and the injured were given the best of care and attention.

All the passengers speak in the highest praise of Conductor Matthews for the services he rendered.

All passengers say the slow speed of the train and the fact that the train broke in two when the accident happened, thereby setting the airbrakes, is

Treaty Ratified by Senate.

Washington, Dec. 16.—The Hay-Pauncefote treaty was ratified by the senate at 4:44 p. m. by a vote of 72 to 6.

the only reason the accident was no worse.

Had the train continued to hold together the awful loss of life could only be surmised, as the cars that went off the track turned over on their sides.

SOLDIERS FOR THE ARMY.

Officers From Fort Harrison Come to Butte for Men.

Lieut. J. F. Janda, Surgeon T. T. Gibson and Corporal Gates of the regular army are in Butte again from the Fort Harrison post for the purpose of recruiting soldiers for the Philippine service.

They arrived yesterday, and this morning opened quarters in the council chamber at the city hall.

That recruits are wanted has not been well advertised in Butte as yet, and as a result the number of applications for enlistment today was small.

Only four men had presented themselves to Lieutenant Janda up to a late hour this afternoon. Out of that number, however, there was not one rejection, which is something out of the ordinary.

The four men to enlist, and their ages and birthplaces, are as follows: John B. Bodin, 21, Henderson, Minn.; George W. King, 28, Greene county, Pa.; Dennis T. Murray, 34, Lawrence, N. Y.; and James T. Sheridan, 25, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lieutenant Janda and Surgeon Gibson were in Butte for three days last month, and during that time secured 15 recruits, who were sent to the Philippines.

The officers speak highly of the Montana recruits, and say they can stand more hardships than the average raw soldier.

The recruiting office will be open until Wednesday night. It is expected that 25 enlistments will be secured in Butte.

WAS MOTION DAY

JUDGE MCCLERNAN TRANSACTS PROBATE BUSINESS.

WILLS ADMITTED TO PROBATE

Orders Allowing and Confirming Sales of Real Estate and Settling Accounts—Other Matters Attended to.

This was Judge McClernan's motion day, and he transacted a good deal of business of a probate character.

In the estate of Nettie Kennedy, deceased, the court confirmed the sale of a house and lot in Centerville by the administrator, Joseph Bartzan, to Margaret Mellow for \$1770.

In the estate of Lola E. Heidrick, a minor, Catherine E. Heidrick was appointed guardian and her bond fixed at \$4,000.

The will of John E. Watson, deceased, was admitted to probate. The estate contains property valued at \$290.

The will of the late Henry P. Heidrick was admitted to probate. The value of the real estate is fixed at \$2000, and the yearly income from it is \$350.

The final account of the administrator was settled in the estate of John F. Reuse, deceased.

In the estate of John D. Thomas, deceased, the third annual account of the administrator was settled. The balance in the estate last May, the date of the account, was \$7990.10.

An order confirming the sale of real estate was made in the estate of William Egan, deceased.

In the estate of Mary A. Peterson, deceased, John Driscoll was appointed administrator, with his bond fixed at \$2500.

A monthly allowance for the family of \$60 was made in the estate of W. H. Thomas, deceased.

In the estate of Anthony Smale, deceased, the final distribution was made and the administratrix discharged.

In the estate of John Castle, a minor, Elizabeth Castle was appointed guardian, with her bond fixed at \$250. The estate contains real estate valued at \$1523.

HONORS FOR MICHAEL.

Emperor William Kissed the Russian Grand Duke.

(By Associated Press.)

Berlin, Dec. 16.—Emperor William is bestowing honors upon the Russian crown prince, Grand Duke Michael, who has accepted his majesty's invitation to hunt in Germany. A court train met him at the Russian frontier and a military escort at Strausburg.

Emperor William, in company with all the royal princes here, met the Russian crown prince at the Friedrichs Strasse railroad station, where a regiment of the guards was drawn up to receive the visitor and escort him to the Potsdam station.

Another regiment received the grand duke at Wild park and escorted him to the new palace. Such honors have, up to the present time, been reserved for crowned heads only.

When the court train arrived here, Emperor William, attired in the uniform of a Russian dragoon, kissed Grand Duke Michael and shook his hand. The meeting was loudly cheered by the crowd.

Loaded Down With Ice.

(By Associated Press.)

Chicago, Dec. 16.—The schooner Galatea is adrift in Lake Michigan, so loaded down with ice that her decks are almost even with the water. She was lost from her tow Saturday night in a gale off Racine.

French Officer Retired.

(By Associated Press.)

Paris, Dec. 16.—General Carriere, who figured so conspicuously in the Dreyfus trial, having reached the retiring age in the army, has become a barrister at law.

EASTERN STORMS AND FLOODS

SEVERAL NEW YORK AND PENNSYLVANIA TOWNS AND CITIES WERE PARTIALLY SUBMERGED

WAS A FEARFUL NIGHT ALL AROUND PITTSBURG

Business Was Practically Suspended Along the Banks of the Monongahela and Smaller Streams in Pennsylvania and in the Mohawk Valley, New York—Many Factories Down and Hundreds of People Thrown Out of Employment—Loss of Life Is Comparatively Small.

(By Associated Press.)

Pittsburg, Dec. 16.—The crest of the flood and the lowest point touched this winter by the mercury were both registered at 8 a. m. when the Smithfield street bridge marks showed 25 feet eight inches of water in the Monongahela river and the government thermometer indicated five degrees above zero.

The rivers are now falling and the temperature is steadily rising.

Only the sudden drop in the temperature averted one of the greatest floods in the history of Pittsburg. As it was the lower parts of the Point district and Duquesne way and lowlands along the Monongahela river, south side, were submerged.

In Allegheny, the river front was entirely under water. The cellars in many houses were flooded and people were compelled to move.

Hundreds Out of Employment.

For the river men and dwellers along the river banks of Pittsburg and Allegheny it was the most fearful night experienced in many years. Similar conditions have been practically unknown to this generation. Hundreds of men toiled all night with the gigantic coal tows tied up to the landings on both sides of all three rivers, in the face of a bitterly cold wind.

Drenched at times with the splashes of foam, their clothes froze to them immediately and the suffering was great. The damage to the goods on the wharves, in warehouses, stores and private houses in the two cities, will probably reach \$60,000. Many mills and factories along both rivers were forced to close down temporarily and hundreds of men and women will be out of work from one to three days.

At all points along the rivers reports of damage from the high water have been received. At McKeesport, in all the cellars west of Chartiers avenue, the water stood three feet deep.

Herr's Island was partly submerged but it was not necessary to remove the cattle from the stock yards.

Shipping Loss Was Great.

At Sharpsburg, cellars were flooded and in many houses the water was on the first floor.

Between Twenty-ninth and Thirty-third streets all the cellars of the houses were flooded, in most instances the water rising to the height of three feet. The waters began to recede rapidly at 10 a. m. in the Allegheny and flooded districts are expected to be cleared by evening. Police were placed throughout the district and at the lower end of the first ward, coal and food was taken to the inmates of the flooded houses.

The loss to shipping interests was great. The Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke company, probably will prove the greatest losers. A fleet of sixty empty craft, most of them coal boats, valued at about \$900 each, were torn from their fastenings just below the mouth of Saw Mill creek.

Between 10 and 20 loaded flats of coal were torn from their mooring at Duquesne and swept down the river. The coal company reported that a number of the runaway boats had been captured.

Much Damage Was Done.

(By Associated Press.)

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The damage from the flood in the valley of the West Canada creek will reach \$500,000. From \$75,000 to \$100,000 worth of logs were washed away from Noblesboro, Hinkley and Trenton Falls. Four expensive railroad bridges were destroyed. One mill was taken down stream like a paper box, and two others were badly wrecked. The railroad in that valley cannot be operated for four or five days. The first train east on the New York Central since midnight Saturday arrived at 10:20 a. m. There are six washouts between this city and Oneida.

Buildings Carried Away.

(By Associated Press.)

Ithaca, N. Y., Dec. 16.—Business was practically suspended in Ithaca today on account of the flood. All street car lines were tied up, no mail was received and none was sent out. It is hoped, however, that the tracks of the Lehigh Valley railroad to the West would be repaired sufficiently today to enable trains to operate between Ithaca and Buffalo. Every available laboring man in Ithaca was given work, and efforts were made to secure men from Oswego and other nearby towns. Brockton, five miles east, suffered much by the flood. Several buildings were carried away.

Flood Is Receding.

(By Associated Press.)

Philadelphia, Dec. 16.—Reports from the flooded district in this state are to the effect that the water is receding. Telegraph wires are still down in many localities and the freezing weather is interfering with the work of restoring the service. All the railroads report trains very much delayed.

Mohawk Has Fallen.

(By Associated Press.)

Rome, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The Mohawk river has fallen to its normal volume. The damage in the city will reach \$29,000.

Worse Than Reported.

(By Associated Press.)

Malone, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The storm of Saturday did much more damage than

was reported yesterday. The washouts on the Adirondack division of the New York Central numbered 34, and the wreck train which left here yesterday morning from Fulton was stalled beyond White Lake. Heavy financial loss was caused in all outlying districts.

Docks and Piers Submerged.

(By Associated Press.)

Bordentown, N. J., Dec. 16.—The heaviest freshet in many years is now running in the Delaware river here. The docks and piers in the vicinity of the Delaware and Raritan canal and the lowlands of Pennsylvania, opposite the city, are under water. The Pennsylvania railroad tracks between Bordentown and Trenton are covered with water for a distance of three miles.

Fell Into the River.

(By Associated Press.)

Pottsville, Pa., Dec. 16.—The flood which visited the Schuylkill valley yesterday has reached and is now below the danger mark. Joseph Curry, a Philadelphia & Reading brakeman, alighted from the Buffalo express on the Reading tracks yesterday, and has not been seen since. It is feared he fell into the Schuylkill river and was drowned.

Railroad Open to Buffalo.

(By Associated Press.)

Mauch Chunk, Pa., Dec. 16.—The Lehigh Valley railroad is open from New York to Mauch Chunk, the paper train this morning being the first train through. It will be several days before the company can send trains to Buffalo on schedule time. The water in the Lehigh river has fallen 10 feet since yesterday at all points above Easton.

Still the Water Is High.

(By Associated Press.)

Reading, Pa., Dec. 16.—At 10 o'clock this morning the flood in the Schuylkill river had receded five feet, but it is still 10 feet above low water mark. The dike along the river front is heavy.

Syracuse Under Water.

(By Associated Press.)

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 16.—The overflow of Onondaga creek Saturday and Sunday did about \$150,000 damage in this city. Today the water receded from all but the lowest ground about town.

Jack Frost in Alabama.

(By Associated Press.)

Mobile, Ala., Dec. 16.—The thermometer here registered 16 above zero today, the coldest December weather ever experienced here.

Frozen to Death.

(By Associated Press.)

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 16.—The mercury stood at 8 degrees above this morning. Two deaths from freezing are reported.