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New-York Daily Tribune. SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1903. THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

FOREIGN—A Dominican warship prevented the Clyde Line steamer Cherokee from landing at Puerto Plata, a sent her to San Juan, whence, acting under Minister Powell's instructions, she returned to the port.

DOMESTIC—The United States government formally recognized and entered into relations with the new Republic of Panama, this action being decided upon at a meeting of the President and the Cabinet.

CITY—Stocks closed firm after early weakness. The examination of Lewis Nixon in the shipbuilding hearing was continued.

THE WEATHER—Indications for to-day: Fair. The temperature yesterday: Highest, 43 degrees; lowest, 37.

THE PRESIDENT AND THE PROPHETS. There are signs that the small but determined body of people who think that a candidate whom the discredited promoters in Wall Street choose to blame for their misfortune must be defeated for renomination are already finding comfort in the recent election and are in full cry against the President.

And so it goes. Whatever election favors the Republican party demonstrates that it wants somebody else for its nominee. Whatever election indicates an adverse fluctuation in the Republican vote shows precisely the same thing—that the Republican party wants some other candidate than Roosevelt.

There is only one thing needed to complete the symmetry and logical conclusiveness of this demonstration that the Republican party is languishing for lack of the speculators' smiles. That is a few facts. In New-York State, where they work at close range and their influence is supposed to be great, the Republican party, which is committed to Mr. Roosevelt's renomination, largely increased its representation in the Assembly.

TEMPORARILY OFF THE TRIPOD. For many weeks "The Evening Post" has alternated between a deep spiritual gloom and an exaltation of righteous wrath over the appointment of the Hon. Charles F. McClelland to the Board of General Appraisers. It has described in that executive act a most obnoxious conspiracy on the part of President Roosevelt and Senator Platt to undermine the virtue of Mr. McClelland for the sake of filling his seat in the State Senate with a Republican, and since the election some of its bitterest tears have been caused to flow by Mr. Carpenter's notable victory in the Westchester district.

It now appears that our contemporary has been dilating with the wrong emotions all this time, for, according to a special dispatch from its Washington correspondent which it printed yesterday, the man chiefly responsible for Mr.

President had sought indorsement. But even if the city vote were to be taken as an index of party strength, Republicans could be content; for an adverse majority here might be doubled and they would still carry the State on the issue of Republicanism against Democracy, for they have done it under far less favorable circumstances than when following a leader with the wonderful hold upon the popular heart possessed by Theodore Roosevelt.

Wall Street promoters should adjust themselves to these facts and get over the mistaken idea that they represent either the wishes of conservative capital or the general tendencies of the people. The country means to take care of itself and take care of capital, but it is not sitting up nights bemoaning the disappointment of the men who issued \$5 of securities for \$1 of value, and have at last discovered that the people decline to continue purchasing their issues at par.

Still less is the country looking for guidance to the men who made princely commissions, but carefully unloaded their own shares on the public to the last dollar. As they have lost nothing whatever save the further princely commissions they might have had if the craze had continued, the country reserves such sympathy as it may have in the premises for the unhappy men who were less skillful in unloading and have suffered impoverishment or bankruptcy in consequence of seeing the enormously inflated securities shrink on their own heads.

THE RECOGNITION OF PANAMA. The President's recognition of the de facto government of the revolutionists in Panama gives no cause for revision of the view confidently expressed both here and abroad that the attitude of our government toward the revolutionists has been and is studiously correct. His act is in accord with long established policy. "As a general rule of foreign policy," obtaining since the foundation of our government," said Mr. Hunter, the Acting Secretary of State in 1878, "the recognition of a foreign government by this is not dependent on 'right, but on fact.' In the case of Panama, whatever may be the right, there seems to be no doubt about the fact. The revolutionary government is the only actual government. The Colombian government has, at least for the time, ceased to exercise its functions or even to exist in Panama, and shows no hopeful sign of being able to reassert itself there.

But the United States must, in the maintenance of its rights and the discharge of its duties, have relations with some government there, and, as the revolutionary government is the only one, those relations must be with it. We may pertinently recall and, with the change of a word or two, apply to the case the statement of John Quincy Adams, made in recognizing the de facto government of Colombia, or New-Granada, herself, when she won her independence from Spain. "This recognition," he said, "is neither intended to invalidate any right of Spain nor to affect the employment of any means which she may yet be disposed or enabled to use with the view of reuniting those provinces to the rest of her dominions. It is the mere acknowledgment of existing facts, with the view to the establishment of those relations, political and commercial, which it is the moral obligation of civilized and Christian nations to entertain reciprocally with one another."

The secession of Panama was the natural and not unexpected sequence to the foolish attempt of the Colombian Congress to extort from the United States impossible terms for the construction of the canal. It was organized in the direct interest of Panama and the Panama Canal, and appears to have been carried to success by the people of Panama, and by them alone. We can discern not the slightest indication of aid or meddling by the United States or any other country. Moreover, it had a foundation in great provocation, if not in a right. For Colombia's haggling and juggling over the canal was a serious menace to the interests of Panama. Moreover, the isthmian State has had no close connection with the rest of Colombia, but has been semi-detached, with separate postal and currency systems and a large measure of autonomy in various respects, and it has, therefore, about as logical a title to independence as any of the Central American States, among which, rather than to South America, it naturally belongs. Nevertheless, its independence, if it has now been won and shall maintain it, must be subject to a certain modification. We have shown that Colombia, in trying to deal with Panama insurrection, has been required to do so subject to the treaty rights of the United States. So the relations henceforth between Colombia and Panama and the independent status of Panama must be subject to the same considerations. The President, in his dispatch of yesterday to the American Minister at Bogota, properly holds that this government "is bound not merely by treaty obligations, but by the interests of civilization, to see that the peaceful traffic of the world across the Isthmus of Panama shall not be longer disturbed by a constant succession of unnecessary and wasteful civil wars." That is exactly to the point.

The United States was compelled to intervene in Cuba to put an end to "a constant succession of unnecessary and wasteful civil wars." It will not, we assume, be compelled forcibly to intervene in Panama any further than it has already done. But in the settlement which must now be made on the isthmus, either in the confirmation of Panama's autonomy or in the restoration of that State to the Colombian Union, there should be a distinct and inflexible assertion of the practical suzerainty which the United States has in a measure exercised under the treaty of 1846, and which it will be compelled to continue exercising if free and open transit on the isthmian railroad and canal is to be maintained. It is probable that the effort to maintain a national existence in Panama, separate from Colombia, would in the long run have a doubtful chance of success without the friendly regard and virtual protection of the United States. With protection there must, of course, be a measure of authority. We have already assumed such a suzerainty in definite terms over the republic of Cuba. The application of the Monroe Doctrine in the countries within our immediate sphere of influence, around the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico, will ultimately make its extension to them inevitable. The time is now opportune for the establishment of it, in unmistakable language, in whatever final terms we shall make with the republic through whose territory we expect to construct an interoceanic canal.

FIGURES THAT PREVARICATE. The comments of most of our esteemed contemporaries on the difference between the registration and the vote in this city might have been more appropriate if they had not added merely the ballots cast for McClelland, Low and Devery and regarded the result so obtained as the total poll. It is not complimentary to our fellow citizens of the Socialist Labor, the Socialist Democratic and the Prohibition contingents to ignore their existence in that fashion, and the value of comparisons is somewhat impaired by leaving them out. Two years ago they cast 17,311 votes in the whole city. The tabulation of their ballots this year has not been completed, but there were not far from 15,000 of them in Manhattan and The Bronx, and their total number in the four boroughs was probably in the neighborhood of 21,000. If, therefore, we add them to the 509,150 votes for McClelland, Low and Devery, it appears that the total poll in the recent municipal election was about 520,000 out of a total registration of 600,000; that the falling off, consequently, was

less than 40,000, instead of more than 60,000; that in this particular the election differed very slightly from the election two years ago, and that if every man who registered but did not vote had voted for Low, McClelland would still have won by about 23,000.

The fact remains that the number of registered non-voters was discreditably large this year, as it always is.

The melancholy days have come, the saddest of the year, but not for the ravenous Tiger, now set free to roam at large amid the jungles of New-York.

St. Louis has been quivering from seismic convulsions, but no serious harm has been done in the city of the Louisiana Purchase. Yet the hoodlums in the vicinity of the "Big Muddy" have been trembling and quaking from the Samsone-like efforts of a Public Prosecutor whom no one can dismay.

Once more the cancer parasite has been found, this time by a German, Dr. Schmidt. He has also manufactured a serum from that germ, and hopes to secure remedial effects thereby. Similar discoveries have been reported so often that there is a decent excuse for receiving the latest story with caution. In matters of this kind it is better to hope too little than too much, so long as corroboration is lacking.

Mr. Nixon seems to have lost his temper; and some of his friends have lost their bank accounts also.

Slight cracks have been discovered in the roof of the Pantheon, in Rome, and the authorities are investigating the condition of this famous building, "old in story." It is hoped that this classical and distinguished building will escape the fate of the Venetian Campanile.

That noble old Roman, Mommsen, the historian, died full of years and honors. Germany was lavish with distinctions heaped upon him in his life and when he laid to rest. The remarkable feature of his funeral was the presence of twelve surviving children. Mommsen had been the father of sixteen. In his long and diligent career he had garnered an abundant harvest in many fields of activity, and he laid down plentiful sheaves when he passed over to the majority.

By building an experimental self-propelled car, either to run alone or haul a trailer, the Paris-Orleans Railway Company betrays a commendable spirit of enterprise. The beauty of the venture is spoiled, though, by the employment of steam instead of electricity. France has much to learn from England and Germany in traction methods.

The agitation for the appointment of a committee of handicappers on the racetracks is sound and well advised. This sport has been expanded to such proportions in recent years that the task of adjusting the weights upon the Jockey Club courses has become too exacting for a single man. There should also be more than one starter. The worries, anxieties and troubles which must embarrass the labors of an individual dispatcher of the record breakers are so nerve racking that he needs vacations.

Friends of the self-motors declare that Holland is an earthly paradise for automobiles, because of the level nature of the country and the long, straight stretches of the thoroughfares. Moreover, it is not to be forgotten that when these vehicles run amuck in the realm of Queen Wilhelmina there are no clogs for them to dash against and no cliffs for them to fall from. If they go on a rampage, the gentle ooze bed of a placid canal is ready to receive them carelessly and without harm. Holland for the autos and the autos for Holland, by all means!

Felt No Need of It.—An aeronaut at a county fair had made rather an unlucky ascension. His balloon had gone high enough, but the wind had blown him a mile or two further away than he anticipated, and the car, in descending, had become entangled in the top of a tree in a village street. "I pulled him out," he struck the ground with some violence. A crowd quickly gathered about his prostrate form. "Stand back and give him air!" exclaimed three or four at once. "The aeronaut was not seriously hurt. He raised himself to a sitting posture. "Air!" he echoed, in a tone of deep disgust. "I don't need it any more. I got it all in the last ten minutes." (Youth's Companion.)

The admirable work done by St. Luke's Hospital is to be extended by the erection of a new pavilion, the gift of Mrs. Margaret J. Plant. The original plans provided for the construction of ten such pavilions, five of which are already in use. This excellent institution has an ideal site on Mornington Heights, and its beneficent operations have been of inestimable usefulness.

When things seem deem momentous are forgot, Laurels will bloom for him that wither not. "I don't know," he said, "but I have lived there all his life, was enabled by some uplift of fortune to visit Paris. When he came back, his townsmen gravely gathered about him and said to him: "'No," said one, while the others listened, "tell us about it." "Paris," he began, "is things considered, is a wonderful place. But still, Peaches for pleasure!" (Youth's Companion.)

Ex-Congressman Bell used to tell a story of a time when he once got into grave peril on account of his nose, says "The Chicago Chronicle." He was going to Leadville in the early days on a stage and "What's the matter with you?" inquired the bandit. "Are you anxious to become a lead mine?" "My nose itches so I can't stand it any longer," said Mr. Bell. "I've simply got to scratch it." "No, you haven't," replied the agent, "because I'll do it for you."

With which he proceeded to scratch the prospective Congressional nose with the muzzle of his shotgun.

"Why does Amelia hate Cholly so?" "Why, when she sees him, she says he looks like a stage hand." "What's the matter with you?" inquired the bandit. "Are you anxious to become a lead mine?" "My nose itches so I can't stand it any longer," said Mr. Bell. "I've simply got to scratch it." "No, you haven't," replied the agent, "because I'll do it for you."

THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS. Washington, Nov. 6.—Robert R. Scheller Steinwartz, second secretary of the German Embassy, returned to Washington on Thursday after an absence of two months in Germany.

Herr Schreck, expert of agriculture and forestry, is no longer connected with the German Embassy, but is travelling on the Pacific Coast for agricultural purposes. He is accompanied by Frau Schreck.

C. Haug, Secretary of the Legation of Sweden and Norway, went to Louisville, Ky., on Thursday and will return to-morrow.

NOTES OF SOCIETY IN WASHINGTON. Washington, Nov. 6.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Pope and Miss Anita Peer have returned from Skaneateles, N. Y., where they spent the summer.

Miss Georgina Gordon King, of Newport, has taken the home of the late Mrs. Wickham Hoffman, No. 1713 N-st.

Captain Edward Anderson, U. S. A., who has been ill for several months, left Washington with Mrs. Anderson yesterday for Atlantic City.

Miss Cannon, daughter of Representative Cannon, arrived in Washington yesterday, and with her father took possession of their new home to-day.

Miss Roosevelt has gone to New-York to spend Sunday at Ophir Hall, and expects to return to Washington on Monday.

CONGRATULATIONS are being extended to Mr. and Mrs. J. Philip Benard on the birth of a daughter, a day or two ago. Mr. Benard was Miss Julia Olin, daughter of Stephen H. Olin. The marriage of her sister, Miss Alice Olin, to Tracy Dows takes place on Wednesday at the Olin country place at Rhinebeck-on-the-Hudson.

Miss Edna Goodby Loew, whose marriage to Howard C. Brockway takes place to-morrow, gives a luncheon to-day for her bridesmaids.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Leeds, who spent the summer at Newport, are now at their country place at Port Washington, Long Island, but return next week for the season.

Mrs. James Hude Boskman, her sister, Mrs. George R. Schieffelin, and the latter's daughter, Miss Dorothy Schieffelin, have returned to town from Lenox for the season.

THE PASSING THROG. Dr. T. L. Flood, of Meadville, Penn., who founded and was for twenty years in successful control of "The Chautauque Magazine," as THE owner and editor, is at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, Under Dr. Flood's management, the Chautauque Conference, which was organized as a percentage accruing to the association, in thirteen years, the substantial sum of \$150,000. Being a recognized authority upon the polity and internal workings of the machinery of Methodism, he was asked to forecast the action of the next General Conference of the Church, which will be held in May, at Los Angeles, Cal. Dr. Flood said: "There are at the present time five vacancies in the Board of Bishops on the basis last established. And if the next General Conference should follow the precedent of eight years ago, of retiring such bishops as have attained the age of seventy years, the result would be the retirement of six or eight of the present members of the board. It would follow that eight or ten bishops would be elected. The Board of Bishops, as it is now constituted, is being reconstituted by the deaths of Bishops Nims and Hurst, and among those who would come under the age limit of retirement is ten, if it were made operative, are Bishop J. W. Whitcomb, of New-York, and Bishop John W. Hamilton, of San Francisco, in a New-England Statesman. Dr. Flood, Editor of "The Worth" of Chicago, is also a candidate for the office of the country. There are some of those who have been re-elected before his death. It seems to be the prevailing belief that Chancellor Day, of New-York University, who has the necessary mental, spiritual and physical equipment, should be elected to fill this vacancy. Dr. Flood, President of the Ohio Conference, which has elected delegates, has already indicated that he will not accept of legislation, as a candidate. The Rev. Dr. Howard, of Los Angeles, will also be a candidate from that part of the country. 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