

# ALL READY TO SEE THE SUN'S SECRETS. HENDERSON NOT CONVINCED

### Astronomers Are Eagerly Awaiting the Eclipse to Come Monday.

### GREAT CHANCE FOR SCIENCE.

### Improved Instruments and Favorable Conditions Arouse Hopes.

### PLANS FOR PHOTOGRAPHING.

### Strip Fifty-Four Miles Wide Will Be Dark Half an Hour.

It is a mathematical certainty that there have been thousands—probably hundreds of thousands—of eclipses since the solar system was evolved, but in the history of the world there has been no eclipse that has been so carefully observed and studied as will be that which will cross this country early to-morrow morning, providing clear skies prevail.

The march of science has given to astronomers means and instruments designed to furnish results that have been considered miraculous a few years ago.

Nature has been kind to the people of the earth in arranging this eclipse. When the moon shuts out the light of the sun, it generally does so in a way that the observation of the phenomena can be taken up at almost inaccessible places. To-morrow's eclipse will be visible in the most populous parts of the world.

For thirty-two minutes a line of absolute darkness fifty-four miles wide will rest on the United States in a great band, from Cape Cod, Mass., to Norfolk, Va. The line of total darkness will extend for 7000 miles from a point on the Pacific Ocean about 200 miles off the coast of Mexico to the sands of Northern Africa, in the vicinity of Thebes.

### NEW INSTRUMENTS IN USE.

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Astronomers say the best way to view an eclipse is from an open field or hill, where there are no trees or buildings that may interfere. It will be difficult to get a good view of the phenomenon from the downtown streets, as at the early hour at which it occurs there will be very few places that are not in the shadow of some building. The places are not good places to view it from, as there are too many trees. Perhaps the best views can be had from Chestnut

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place, west of Prairie and north of St. Louis avenues, from the top of the Compton Heights reservoir embankment; from Grand Avenue Bridge; from the wide area of vacant ground north of Forest Park and just east of the Lindell street railway tracks, or from any open lot of wide area in any part of town. The top of the Century, Union Trust, Pullerton, Holland, Security, Laclede, Hlatko or any of the large downtown buildings will also be good places. Smoked or colored glass, either with or without magnifying power, should be used. The naked eye should not be used. Astronomers say that a good opera glass, with the eye protected by smoked or colored glass makes an excellent instrument of observation.



Extreme View in St. Louis About 7:51 A. M.

## DEPREDATED POLICE WITH CANNON

### Streeter Island Captured After Desperate Resistance.

### A CHICAGO BATTLE.

### Lake Michigan District Declared Free and Independent.

### STREETER'S DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.

"Now, therefore, we, the property holders of the District of Lake Michigan, in armed assembly, do declare the District of Lake Michigan to be free and independent from the State of Illinois, the county of Cook and the city of Chicago, and that we will maintain our independence by force of arms to the best of our ability; and all armed forces, excepting those of the United States, coming into this district will do so at their peril.

(Signed) "W. H. NILES, "Military Governor of the District of Lake Michigan."

### APPEAL TO MCKINLEY

### Armed Force Refused to Recognize State and City Officers.

### LEADING TOPICS

### TO-DAY'S REPUBLIC.

### REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Ill., May 26.—There was here today between "battlers" of the district of Lake Michigan and the city authorities, Hubert McKillop, it is said, of No. 156 Lake street, was seriously wounded by a bullet. Police Captain Linn was shot upon and his horse was killed by bullets fired by "Judge" Niles of the "little commonwealth." Finally, after a day of intense excitement, the army of the "district" was attacked by 20 Chicago policemen, assisted by the Chicago Navy, and was forced to surrender.

### Stricken Ship Captured on Island.

Trouble between the dealers of the district of Lake Michigan and the Chicago authorities is of long standing. It dates back to the time when Captain George W. Streeter, the commander of a lake schooner, was driven ashore during a gale. His vessel was beached close to the North Shore residences of the Pullman and others of the city. It became embroiled in the sand and the captain was in deep distress. He hoped for a high tide and waited to be floated free. The high tide came and the schooner was floated free. The schooner was beached close to the North Shore residences of the Pullman and others of the city. It became embroiled in the sand and the captain was in deep distress. He hoped for a high tide and waited to be floated free. The high tide came and the schooner was floated free.

### Human Errors Geared Against.

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### Comparisons by Telegraph.

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### Illinois—Threatening Sunday, probably thunderstorms and cooler.

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### Arkansas—Partly cloudy Sunday.

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### PART I.

1. Speaker Henderson Not Convinced. Defied Police With Cannon. All Ready to Observe the Eclipse.

2. Jefferson Club Delegations Win. 3. British Gun Clamped in Transval. Sullivan Refuses From Kansas City Times.

4. Believe All Religions May Unite. Pannunzio's Treatment of Day. She Says Courage is the Greatest Virtue. Vice Presidency Meets Officially. The Railroads. Sudden Death of T. B. Blackstone.

5. Names of Census Enumerators. 6. Corbett a Public Benefactor. 7. Boquetis for Captain John McEraw Tennis Tournament. 8. Baseball Scores. Cars Will Run To-Day. 9. Race Track Results.

10. Croker Out for Bryan. 11. Americans Gather in Paris and London. Kruger Cannot End Hostilities. Emperor and Ludwig at Oita. Pavillon Makes Americans Blush. The Cox a Good Boat. Ante-Bellum Fire Bell.

12. "Sun Worshiper" Under Arrest. To Try Captain McGowan. City News in Brief. 13. Well of Rogitides Found. St. Louis Man Was at Molder River. Two Crowned Letters Discovered. The Cox a Good Boat. Ante-Bellum Fire Bell.

14. Young Bride Charged With Bigamy. 15. President of France Does Not Know How to Walk. South African War Reviewed. How Kipling Saw a Battle. 16. The Weak in Society. 17. Employees Honor R. M. Scruggs. Cotton Closed Higher. Beer Law Test Case. Great Britain's Debt to American Mails. Turner's Fair and Festival. Plans for Memorial Day.

18. Editorial. Washington Gossip. Prospects for Next Season's Theatricals. Death Notices. Kern Company Must Explain. 19. Methodist Men Remains on Amusements. River Telegrams. 20. Commercial and Financial News. 21. Real Estate Men and World's Fair. News of the Churches. St. Louis Court of Appeals. Preacher Makes Complaint. Magazine Section.

### GIVEN UP AS DEAD.

Major Rockefeller's Name Dropped From Army Rolls. Washington, May 25.—The name of Major Charles M. Rockefeller of the Ninth Infantry, who disappeared in the Philippines in April, 1899, has been dropped from the army register, and Captain W. M. Cammon, Fourth Infantry, has been promoted to the vacancy thus created. Major Rockefeller's name has been retained on the rolls of the army for more than a year

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### HOUSE IS AGAINST HIS UNFAIR COURSE.

### Building Trades Council of America Urges Him to Act Favorably—Petition Ready—Important Work Monday.

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### Colb are working every point of advantage

and are unquestionably gaining ground. The Louisiana Purchase World's Fair bill is now the absorbing topic of the day, and the talk heard is all in its favor.

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### HOW HENDERSON VOTED.

Investigation of Speaker Henderson's attitude toward fair bills other than that of St. Louis has resulted in an interesting discovery. The Speaker who now is so bitterly opposing the proposed Louisiana Purchase celebration voted in favor of the Nashville, Buffalo and Omaha Fair bills.

### CHANCES OF THE BILL.

Congressman Sherman of New York said yesterday in Washington: "There are four ways out of the bill after it goes on the calendar Monday: (1) By unanimous consent, which the bill can never get; (2) by suspending the rules and passing by two-thirds majority, involving recognition by the Speaker, which the bill can never get; (3) by motion to the committee of whole; (4) by bill of committee."

Daniel, who was present, volunteered the information that the chances of getting it up are very slim.

### Council on the World's Fair question is

clearly outlined by the resolution adopted unanimously at the first annual convention at Milwaukee on January of this year as follows:

Whereas, there will be held a World's Fair at the city of St. Louis in the year of 1904, in celebration of the centennial anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase; and

Whereas, the National Building Trades Council of America, in convention assembled, has recently renewed the Building Trades Council of St. Louis and vicinity, in connection with the St. Louis World's Fair, and has invited the National Building Trades Council of America, in convention assembled, to cooperate in making such arrangements with the St. Louis World's Fair, and to secure the entire expense of such arrangements; and

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