

READY TO BACK FRANCE

Russia Soud; a Warning to Great Britain.

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR

Opinion Growing in London That Nothing Short of a Miracle Can Prevent a Mighty Conflict—British Admiralty Issues Additional Orders to Strengthen the Fleet—A Marked Change in Sentiment in Paris—Attitude of the Public Inflamed and More Defiant—Disarming Reports From St. Petersburg.

London, Oct. 22.—A dispatch from St. Petersburg says: "The Novoye Vremya, commenting on Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's speech, accuses him of making a violent attack upon France, forgetting that Russia is firmly resolved to support France in the Fashoda question."

The news from Paris today indicates that a remarkable change has come over French opinion on the Fashoda question during the last forty-eight hours. The attitude of the public is more inflamed and more defiant.

Rumors that the Russian foreign minister, Count Muraviev, has assured M. Delcasse, the French foreign minister, of Russia's support in the controversy, tend to stiffen the backs of the higher officials, although these continue to maintain a conciliatory tone, and declare that France is prepared to carry out its obligations to the utmost limits consistent with her rights and dignity.

The municipal council of Paris is blamed on all sides for exhorting the government to avert war.

In government circles the disposition seems to be to resist the British demands.

It is reported that the policy of France, as definitely stated to Great Britain, includes the retention of Fashoda.

Orders to British Warships.

The British admiralty today issued an order directing every warship in Portsmouth Harbor to have her complement of crew made up from the naval depot, as is done in case of mobilization.

A dispatch from Paris to the Exchange Telegraph Company says there is no official confirmation of the rumor that Major Marchand has been recalled. The government will not be likely to decide in the matter until Capt. Barratier, Marchand's special messenger, arrives.

The Solei says: "An Anglo-French war would be the greatest calamity of civilization. We are convinced that the diplomats will be able to make the necessary concessions to avert it."

M. De Bismarck, the Paris correspondent of the London Times, in a letter on the Fashoda situation to the Matin explains the intensity of the English feeling in the matter of reconquering the Sudan, as based upon their thirst to avenge Gordon.

"Major Marchand's presence in the midst of their exultation," he says, "is like a cut with a horsewhip. England does not aim to mortify Marchand, but she resents an oblique blow aimed at a campaign which has been openly conducted. France is ready to march at the drum call, but I am convinced that the call will not sound. What is Fashoda to France compared with its value to England? In case of war we should be fighting to keep Marchand in Fashoda when in truth he had already departed."

It is more and more apparent today that the relations between England and France have become exceedingly serious. A leading diplomatist in a letter to a friend says: "I am sending you this for your own guidance. I have just come from a conference with Lord Salisbury. Nothing but a miracle can save us from war."

France is Defiant.

The Daily Mail says it has the highest authority for stating that the French government notified the English government three days ago that it would not abandon Fashoda.

TOWBOAT BLOWN UP.

Captain of the Rescue Killed and Eight of the Crew Injured.

Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 22.—One man was killed and eight injured by an explosion of boilers on the towboat Rescue, two miles above Elizabeth, on the Monongahela River, late last night.

The boat was completely wrecked, and what remained of it sank before rescuing parties from other boats reached the scene. Charles Siddell, the captain, was killed and his body blown into the river. The list of injured follows: Simpson Morgan, mate, left thigh broken; Milton Morgan, second engineer, broken leg; James Dawson, deck hand, right leg broken; Frank Smith, deck hand, bruised about the body; H. Rose, pilot, knee fractured; Hugh Gallagher, engineer, face bruised; James Koslosky, steward, leg broken, and George Bailey, fireman, slightly injured. The injured were brought to Pittsburg, and all will recover.

KWANGSU'S ILLNESS.

China's Emperor Suffering From Bright's Disease.

Peking, Oct. 22.—The Emperor has again been examined medically by the physician of the French legation, and the diagnosis discloses the fact that he is suffering from chronic nephritis, better known as Bright's disease. Albumen has been discovered in marked degree.

The Emperor is very pale, his eyes are puffy, his feet slightly swollen, and although there seems to be no immediate danger it is manifest that the Emperor is in a very critical state.

FROSTS DRIVE OUT FEVER

Stricken Regions Benefited by Lowered Temperature.

"YELLOW JACK" CHECKED

Statement From the Weather Bureau Showing the Conditions at Various Points Where the Disease Has Been Progressing—General Relief Effected.

Willis S. Moore, chief of the Weather Bureau, issued a statement today in which he says:

This morning's reports show frosts generally throughout the infected district. In Alabama, Eastern and Northern Mississippi, and Northern Louisiana the frosts were heavy and killing. In Southwestern Mississippi and Southern Louisiana light frost was reported. At Mobile the minimum temperature was 49 degrees and at New Orleans 46 degrees, the lowest previous record for the third decade of October being 34 degrees at Mobile and 42 at New Orleans, November 18 is the earliest date on which freezing temperature has ever occurred at New Orleans, and November 2 is the earliest date of freezing temperature at Mobile.

In Central Mississippi and Northern Louisiana and also in Northern Alabama and Northern Georgia freezing weather has occurred in the third decade of October. The earliest date of heavy frost at Mobile was November 2, 1874-1875. The earliest date of heavy frost at New Orleans was November 18, 1877.

The first heavy frost in the district occurred on December 25, at Mobile, while at New Orleans November and December have in a number of years failed to show the occurrence of heavy frost. The average date of first heavy frost is November 22 at Mobile and December 7 at New Orleans.

The average minimum temperature for the regions referred to range from 59 degrees to 56 degrees during November, with occasional periods of freezing temperature.

The occurrence of light frost Tuesday morning supplemented by heavier frosts and lower temperature this morning may be considered unfavorable for the further progress of the disease. Present conditions indicate frost and temperature 40 degrees or slightly below tonight in Alabama, Mississippi, and in the interior of Louisiana. The temperature will probably remain for several days below the seasonal average which is 56 degrees at New Orleans and 46 degrees at Mobile.

TAKE CHARGE OF THE FERN.

Notable Incident in the History of the Naval Reserves.

The District naval militia took formal possession of the U. S. S. Fern, now on the river front, at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The incident was a notable one in the history of that organization in the District.

There was very little ceremony attendant upon the acquisition of the vessel today. Commander R. B. Haines, of the naval militia, boarded the ship with a guard of members of the local organization and four storekeepers in the regular service of the navy, and raised the American flag at the masthead.

The small party met on the main deck of the vessel, and in the presence of his inferior Commander Haines read the official order transferring the vessel from the regular naval service to the District reserves.

After the reading of this order Commander Haines gave the command to hoist the American flag, and a brand new emblem, furnished by the reserves, was hoisted to the masthead.

Tomorrow at noon there will be further ceremonies. The full ceremonies would have been held today for the fact that most of the members of the reserve hold civil positions and were unable to present this afternoon.

The program tomorrow will consist of the reading of the articles of war, after which a band will render national airs in commemoration of the event. There will be no justification, however, and the ceremonies which will be gone through with will be practically the same as those which are conducted on every man-of-war on the first Sunday of every month.

Commander Haines, of the District Reserve, is directly responsible for the conduct of the Fern, and while Gen. Harries, of the District Guard, will be his superior officer the latter will have nothing to do with the active management of the ship.

Flyn's Business College, 8th and K.

Business, shorthand, typewriting—45 a yr.

Florida Cypress is as superior to N. C. cypress as Georgia pine is to Va. pine.

FOR REPUBLICAN CLERKS

Free Transportation When They Go Home to Vote.

MR. HANNA'S BUSINESS TACT

Employees of the Departments Who Will Promise to Vote as the Dominant Party Desires Will Have But to Ask for Free Railroad Tickets and All Will Be Well.

No Republican employed in the departments here who wishes to go home to vote this year and hesitate on account of the expense involved need give himself any concern on that score. The anxiety of Senator Marcus A. Hanna and the Republican managers to get every Republican vote possible in the ballot box on November 8 has led to arrangements being made to provide transportation to all such as do not feel able to pay for it out of their own pockets. In other words, Mr. Hanna has kindly made provision to send all of the indigent clerks to their homes, with the understanding, of course, that they will vote the straight Republican ticket.

Sufficient funds, it is learned, have been left with Chairman Babcock, of the Republican Congressional Committee, to meet all demands of this character.

The requests for "voting transportation," however, must come through the various State associations which are maintained by the Government employees at the Capital. Any man with proper credentials, duly certified by the secretary of his association, can upon application obtain transportation to his home and return from Col. Babcock. He will be expected to accompany his request with a plain, frank statement of the reason or reasons why he is not able to bear the expense of the journey himself. Prolonged sickness in the family is the prevailing excuse given for desiring free voting transportation.

Senator Hanna, with his customary business sagacity, has devised a plan, it is said, whereby the Republican Congressional committee may expect at a subsequent period to have the money advanced for transportation purposes refunded. While the money is not advanced to the clerks in the form of a loan, a record is kept of each clerk who is "assisted" to his home to vote, and he is given to understand that the committee will expect him to make a "voluntary" contribution within the current year to cover the amount paid out on his account. If the "voluntary" subscription should not happen to be forthcoming within what is considered a reasonable time, some means will be devised to enforce it.

It is not likely that the Civil Service Commission will be called upon to pass upon the legality of Senator Hanna's arrangement to provide free voting transportation to Republican employees, as there is no specific clause in the civil service law which applies to the case; besides, a Civil Service Commission that closes its eyes to the open and flagrant violation of the law in soliciting contributions in the departments, as the Republican State committee of Ohio has done, can hardly be expected to take any cognizance of such a mere trifles as the furnishing of free voting transportation.

It is expected that there will be a general exodus of Republican clerks to their homes next week. All applications for election leaves of absence by Republicans will be granted promptly; but the majority of the Democratic applications of the same character will be turned down, "for the good of the public service."

Every Democratic vote that is kept in Washington will count as half a vote for the G. O. P.

ALGER AT HIS POST AGAIN.

Warm Discussions With Colonel Roosevelt While in New York.

Secretary Alger has returned from his visit to New York and was at his desk in the War Department today. The Secretary was not inclined to discuss the nature of his mission to New York.

It is known that while he was there he held a long conference with Senator Platt, had a short talk with Chairman Ostell, of the New York State Republican committee, and was closeted for some time with Col. Roosevelt. It is also known that some warm language passed between Alger and Roosevelt during the close conference.

There were persons at the War Department today who gave it as their opinion that the Secretary's call upon Col. Roosevelt in New York was in reference to the regimental report of the latter, which is being withheld from publication by Alger's direction.

GRATITUDE OF CUBANS

Thanks to America for Its Inexhaustible Charity.

JOY SUCCEEDS TO HUNGER

President of the Matanzas Relief Committee Writes a Feeling Letter in the Name of the Thousands Rescued From Famine—All Is Now Smiles in the Once Stricken City.

The War Department today made public a letter from President Julio Ortiz, of the Matanzas central relief committee, to Capt. L. Niles and Major A. D. Niekern, expressing to them the gratitude of Matanzas for the redemption of her people "from the horrors of famine by the inexhaustible charity of the great American nation, so worthily represented by you."

The letter concludes: "In the name, then, of all that have been rescued from famine; in the name of all that is holy and Christian, we give heartfelt thanks to the American people for their timely assistance, which is another link to the chain of love and gratitude which already binds us to them."

"Convey to the Government of the United States the deep feelings of the gratitude of the whole city of Matanzas."

FEARING A PLAGUE INCREASE.

A Temporary Hospital to Isolate Cases in Vienna.

Vienna, Oct. 22.—Owing to the increased apprehension of the spread of the bubonic plague, a temporary hospital was erected by torchlight last night for the isolation of persons afflicted with the disease.

The hospital consists of a number of detached sheds placed in the rear of the hospital for the treatment of infectious diseases.

A Boy Beaten and Robbed.

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 22.—George McKenzie, an eighteen-year-old youth who claims Cambridge, Mass., as his home, was waylaid by a trio of toughs at the notorious cool shutes, this city, last night. He was badly beaten and robbed of clothes and money.

Elected Professor of History.

Reading, Pa., Oct. 22.—The Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church this morning elected Rev. Dr. George W. Richards, of Allentown, Pa., professor of history at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., to succeed Rev. Dr. Thomas G. Appel, deceased, after a spirited contest.

\$3.50 Grand Excursion to \$3.50.

Fort Monroe and Norfolk, Va. Norfolk and Wash. steamer, Saturday, 6:30 p. m. Round-trip tickets, \$3.50, good to return Sunday night.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return.

via via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets on sale Saturday and Sunday, October 22 and 23, good to return until Monday, October 24. All trains except Congressional Limited.

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MR. RUTH RETURNS.

Denies the Story That He Intended to Defraud His Partner.

Charles H. Ruth, of the firm of Ruth & Evans, who it was alleged in a morning paper today, had left the city with an amount of funds belonging to the firm without the cognizance of Mr. Evans, returned to the city today very much surprised at the statement printed that he had any fraudulent intentions in leaving the city with the firm's money. It was alleged that the money taken by Mr. Ruth was to have been used to pay off workmen engaged on several buildings which the firm is now constructing. Mr. Ruth said to a Times reporter this afternoon: "I received \$200 that Mr. Evans and myself concluded that we could not pay more than 40 per cent to the men, owing to obligations already matured and maturing in the near future, that positively had to be met. To effect a settlement of these claims I withheld \$45 out of the \$200 to pay to local merchants to whom we were indebted, so as to stave off the impending financial crisis in our affairs. Mr. Evans assisted me in putting up the money; knew exactly how much was in each envelope, and I informed Mr. Evans that I was going to Baltimore to attempt to raise \$7,500 on real estate which I own in this city."

"Mr. Evans was aware of the fact that I was immediately going to Baltimore. He also knew that the firm is indebted to me and always has been and that I have been carrying the firm out of my personal funds. And as justice to myself I will state that there is no money of the firm in my hands and I have disbursed to our creditors all moneys received by me on Thursday and have the receipts for the same."

SPAIN'S NEW PROPOSALS

Suggestions Respecting Cuba's Debts Submitted.

PROLIX PAPERS PRESENTED

New Instructions Will Probably Be Sent to the American Commissioners—An Important Conference Between the President and Secretary Hay to Be Held This Evening.

Paris, Oct. 22.—It is reported upon good authority that the Spanish Peace Commissioners at the meeting of the Joint Commission yesterday submitted proposals respecting the Cuban debt. Unfortunately, the proposals are so prolix and involved that the American Commissioners are unable to ascertain their purport immediately. Translators are now at work upon them.

It was easily seen from the happier mood of the Spaniards when they left the conference yesterday that they experienced a feeling of relief and satisfaction at having transferred to the Americans the task of considering proposals—a task hitherto falling upon themselves.

The proposals are believed to contain the suggestion that the Americans guarantee the Cuban debt exclusively of the debts contracted for war purposes. It is premature, however, to conclude that this is accurate until the cloudy words of the Spaniards are explained.

It is reported that Secretary Hay will hold an important conference with the President tonight in reference to Peace Commission complications and the delayed evacuation of Cuba. Additional and imperative instructions to the American Commissioners, to meet the new conditions at Paris, may be the result.

LOST AND OVERDUE SHIPS.

Stormy Voyage of the Thingvall From New York.

Christiana, Oct. 22.—The storm of the last few days has caused great damage to shipping, and high weather continues. Many sailing vessels have been lost and a number are more or less overdue.

The steamer Thingvall, which was overdue, and which it was feared, had been lost, has just arrived, after a twenty-days' passage from New York. One passenger died on the way, and a number of persons were injured by the ship being tossed about badly by the heavy seas.

A THEORY TO PURIFY THE SOCIAL AIR IN ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Oct. 22.—The scheme for the social purification of the city as suggested by David J. Smyth, may not be adopted, but is an unique one, and entirely different from those of other social reformers.

Smyth is locally famous as a reformer. He proposes that January 1 of every year, the worst man in each ward be hanged. In order that there may be no mistakes he proposes that the citizens of each ward decide by vote who their worst citizen is. The man receiving the highest number of votes shall then be hanged.

TWO SESSIONS TODAY.

Business Keeps the Americans From a Festive Party.

Paris, Oct. 22.—The American Peace Commissioners held a meeting this morning and another this afternoon, and were consequently unable to attend the concert given in honor of United States Exposition Commissioner Peck.

Secretary Moore, of the American Commission, is slightly indisposed.

JURORS SUMMONED.

List of Those to Serve During the Month of November.

The following jurors have been summoned to serve in the criminal and civil courts of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia during the month of November:

Criminal Court No. 1—James W. Rowlett, L. M. Stallings, J. E. Bond, F. S. Smith, C. W. Porter, C. W. Barken, F. G. Smith, W. E. Leese, N. H. Hart, F. G. Purner, H. Zeiman, A. Grube, C. P. Barnes, J. A. Wormley, Charles E. Edwards, James L. Owens, Julius H. Albers, Robert Brown, F. A. Belt, Henry C. Irving, Joseph B. Stewart, James Kelly, Harry S. Childs, Frederick Albrecht, Frederick Behrens and Charles Bowyer.

Criminal Court No. 2—C. H. Stewart, J. Henry Hurdeman, John E. Nally, H. Clay Ward, Luke F. Sweeney, Marcus B. Little, Clarence S. Beck, Fred Frank, William Sewell, J. B. Fisher, John W. Steele, Samuel F. Ernest, Roe E. Fullerson, Jacob J. Decker, C. C. Stewart, James M. Ford, Arthur Mead, Thaddeus E. Dullin, Ed. A. McDermott, James H. Chamberlain, Charles H. Osborne, N. Keyser, A. O. Brady, Samuel R. Caswell, Josiah Gray, Jr., F. C. Fields.

Circuit Court No. 1—Charles S. Piper, Henry Kerns, Charles H. Stienmeitz, George H. Wade, Murray H. Haines, Joseph H. Thorton, Carrus, Ferdinand Esther, Charles F. Robinson, Robert E. Smith, Walter F. Hyson, H. G. Foerster, Charles Wood, P. V. Hough, Norman Bester, Robert Saxton, Ed. H. Koss, Hille C. Bohannon, C. O. Flynn, Charles H. Miller, H. S. Johns, Charles Rollins, Anthony L. Ray, Thomas Taylor, W. Carroll Diggs, John L. Weldon.

Circuit Court No. 2—O. S. Pumphrey, George Kleenick, John A. Cusick, J. P. Kelly, William C. Johnson, John Schickel, Silas Chapman, Marcellus Cole, Frank Smith, Robert C. Howard, Henry Sunnold, Herman Krabing, Henry C. Bolden, John A. Linsrick, William Flaherty, William T. Allison, W. J. Shelton, H. H. Moran, Joseph Kamps Spring, J. P. Herman, Joseph Strasburger, John S. Larcobum, W. F. Kiter, F. R. Wormley and John S. Howard.

A New Bank at Abingdon.

Abingdon, Va., Oct. 22.—Preparations are being made to organize a national bank at Abingdon, Va. Gayles Brothers have undertaken the work of organization, and have interested several people of this place, who have expressed their desire to put in their capital. The probabilities are that the bank will be established in a short time, and will be known as the Second National Bank of Abingdon.

Nearly Buried by Rocks.

Mahoney City, Pa., Oct. 22.—Death will probably result from injuries which befell John Tumas at William Penn colliery, while Anthony Alexinas, a fellow-workman, may be permanently crippled. The two were at work in a No. 3 slope, counter gangway, when a heavy fall of rocks almost buried them.

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CAPTAIN WETHERILL BURIED.

Laid to Rest in Arlington With Military Honors.

The remains of Capt. Alexander M. Wetherill, of the Sixth United States Infantry, who was killed in the battle of San Juan on July 1, were buried at Arlington Cemetery this afternoon with military honors.

The remains were accompanied from New York by forty members of the Lafayette Post, No. 14, of the Grand Army of the Republic.

A military escort from the Washington barracks, including a band, conducted the remains from the Baltimore and Ohio depot to Arlington, where Gen. Butterfield delivered a short address.

OPPOSES A RAILROAD SALE.

Move to Prevent the Selling of the Ohio Southern.

Lima, O., Oct. 22.—Calvin Broadhead, owner of \$175,000 of second mortgage bonds of the Ohio Southern Railroad, has filed a motion to set aside the sale of the road to the first mortgage bondholders.

He gives a number of reasons, among them being that the appointment of the special commissioners to sell the road was not according to law; that a large number of liens and claims against the road are pending and that the property being offered under the conditions kept many from bidding it.

FEAR TO TRUST THE BANK

The Run on the Mechanics' and Traders' Continues.

New York, Oct. 22.—The run on the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank continued this morning, but it was partly offset by a line of depositors, some of whom had withdrawn their accounts only the day before.

The Mercantile Bank of this city, and other banks as well, have offered to help the Mechanics' and Traders' to any amount, but their aid will not be needed.

The directors met today, but the purpose of the meeting could not be learned when they went into session.

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At the New York Clearing House this morning there was a short delay in the exchanges of the banks, pending an inquiry which was made by the Clearing House authorities as to the condition of affairs at the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank.

The clerks of the other banks, after they had made their exchanges, were told to wait while the balance of the Mechanics' and Traders' Bank was figured out. It was found that the bank had a debit balance of \$201,000.

The reply as to whether the bank was able to meet this debit balance was satisfactory, and the clearings of all the banks were then completed without further incident.

LITTLE CAUSE FOR ALARM

Professors of Aid From Other Financial Institutions—No Necessity for Accepting the Offers—The Concern Able to Meet Its Debit Balance of \$201,000.

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AGED BANK THIEF NABBED.

But "Jersey Jimmy" Insisted That He Had Reformed.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 22.—James Johnson, seventy years old, a professional thief, who is known to the police in every city in the country, alienated from a train at the Broad Street Station yesterday afternoon, and was promptly arrested by Detectives McKeatey and Gallagher. Half an hour later the old man was on his way to the Holmesburg prison, having been sentenced by Magistrate Jermon to a term of three months.

SHIP ANNIE ROWE LOST.

Eleven Bostonians Said to Have Gone Down With Her.

Seattle, Wash., Oct. 22.—The little steamer Annie Rowe, with a party of eleven Boston prospectors on board, is reported by returning Klondikers to have gone down with all hands on September 11 in Norton Sound. The party was bound for new strikes on Goldwin Bay. A thorough search has failed to reveal any bodies on the beach.

Five of the party, including four women, went across the Sound on a small schooner and are safe.

THRESHER ENGINE BLOWS UP.

Lewisburg, Pa., Oct. 22.—Word has just reached Lewisburg that a steam threshing engine exploded on the farm of Emanuel Pontius, near Millburg, in Buffalo township, this county. Both ends of the boiler were blown out with terrific force and the engine is badly wrecked. The owners of the engine and threshing outfit were standing near the engine and narrowly escaped being killed.

Sick Soldiers From Florida.

A special train from Jacksonville arrived in East Falls Church, Va., yesterday, with 125 soldiers from Florida, who are ill. They were transferred to the Fort Myer hospital for treatment. The train was under charge of Major Richards, of the surgeon general's office. Most of the sick soldiers are from Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois regiments. Some of them are suffering from malaria, although other diseases contracted while in camp are prevalent among them.

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MR. MCKINLEY HOME AGAIN

Feeling Well and Is in Excellent Spirits.

THE TRIP FROM CHICAGO

Made Many Speeches and Was Royally Received Everywhere—Next Tuesday He Will Go to the Peace Jubilee in Philadelphia—Arrangements for the Journey.

The President's special train over the Pennsylvania Road reached Washington at 2:40 o'clock this afternoon from Omaha and Chicago. The train reached Pittsburg shortly after midnight from Columbus, and after a stop of few minutes proceeded East. The train consists of the special Pullman cars, "Glen Eyre," "Brutus" and "Cleopatra."

On board besides the President, were Secretary and Mrs. Gage, Postmaster General and Mrs. Smith, Secretary and Miss Wilson, Secretary Porter and Assistant Secretary Courtney.

Notwithstanding the fatigue of his journey President McKinley looked to be in excellent health. As he stepped from his car he was joined by Secretary Porter and Mr. Courtney who accompanied him to a carriage and the three gentlemen were driven at once to the White House. The remainder of the party took a carriage and drove to their respective residences.

Secretary Porter said that the trip had been a most enjoyable one in every respect and that everyone had enjoyed himself immensely. The President had transacted a great deal of his routine business while en route, and the speaking-making was somewhat exacting, but notwithstanding this fact Mr. McKinley was in the best of health and spirits.

A dispatch from Pittsburg to The Times this morning said: "President McKinley and party passed through Pittsburg at an early hour this morning, on their way to Washington. The Chief Magistrate and his guests were asleep and there were few people to greet the train. The train left Columbus at 9:30 o'clock last night."

"Worried by his many speeches and the fatigue of the journey from Chicago, President McKinley went to bed soon after the train started from Columbus. It was believed yesterday that the train would come through earlier in the evening, and many people were much disappointed when it was learned that it would not reach here until nearly 7 a. m., which would render an ovation and speechmaking out of the question."

Arrangements have not yet been made for the President's trip to Philadelphia, where he will witness the Peace Jubilee celebration. It is probable, however, that Mr. McKinley will leave the city with a party including several of his Cabinet officers next Tuesday night.

SPEEDING TO THE CAPITAL

Mr. McKinley Passes Through Harrisburg at 10:30 This Morning.

Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 22.—President McKinley and party passed through here at 10:30 o'clock this morning on the way to Washington. There was no speech-making here or at any other point along the route today. A large crowd which surrounded the Union Station cheered lustily when the train came in. The President simply bowed his acknowledgments.

All were well except Secretary Wilson, who is suffering from a cold.

Secretary Hiles left the party here and returned to New York.

FOUND DEAD ON THE RAIL

Police Theory of Highway Murder and Fatal Accident.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—Two men met their deaths last evening on the dark and deserted railroad tracks of the Chicago and Alton Railroad at Foxworth and Beach Streets. Their mutilated bodies were found 25 feet apart. Both are unidentified. One of the bodies had both legs cut off. In the man's pockets were found two purses containing \$25, two gold rings, a silver ring and a steel chain.

The only evidence of violence on the second body was a deep gash in the head. It is the theory of the police that the latter was assaulted and robbed by the former and in attempting to escape the highwayman was killed by a train.

Slain in Bourgeois Owners.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—Charles Russell, administrator of the estate of Edwin R. Russell, who lost his life when the steamer La Bourgeois went down, has been granted permission to begin suit against the owners of the steamer for the death of Edwin R. Russell. The petition declares that several suits, brought in behalf of other Chicago victims of the disaster, would be begun in connection with the claim of the petitioner.

A Masquerader Fatally Bent.

Seranton, Pa., Oct. 22.—Joe Jervoid is believed to be the "woman in black" who has been terrorizing women for more than three weeks past. Attired in a black robe, he was found lying unconscious in the gutter on one of the back streets early yesterday morning, bruised and bleeding, and never dead than alive.

The belief is that he was out during the night on one of his masquerading tours when he encountered one of the squads of men on the watch for him. These lost no time in meeting out the vowed punishment.

Died of Alcoholism.

Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 22.—The man who died in the station house, this city, several days ago was identified yesterday as John Anderson, a native of Sweden. He was until recently in the employ of John T. James, of Dublin, Md., but he left the latter place to come to this city. His death was caused by alcoholism.

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