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farmers tea and other articles which they cannot otherwise purchase. Heavy rain fell last night.

MAY DISMISS MACRUM.

Interest Increased in His Case as He Gets Nearer Home—No Motive in Letters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The case of Consul Charles E. Macrum, the United States representative at Pretoria who insisted on being relieved at the time the South African crisis became most acute, is assuming additional importance as Mr. Macrum nears home. The understanding at the state department is that he is a German ship which came through the Mediterranean and thence direct to this country, the trip taking about six weeks from Dec. 10 last, the date of his sailing from Lourenco Marques. In the present aspect of the case there is little doubt that unless the consul presents ample explanation for his course he will not continue in the consular service.

It has been reported that the mystery surrounding his departure had been cleared up by a letter from him to Representative Taylor of Ohio, who represents the district from which Macrum comes and who secured his appointment as consul. But Mr. Taylor said that he had heard nothing from Macrum, except indirectly through his lawyers to relatives. These gave no information of the cause of his return, but speak of the excitement incident to the war and the hurried preparation on both sides. The authorities have issued a ruling which legalizes marriages performed by judges or the clergy of any religious denomination.

Under Spanish regime only such marriages were recognized as legal as were performed by Roman Catholic priests.

General Frederick Funston will join his wife in the city, but it is thought he will be assigned to General Wheeler's.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The directors of the Manila Railway company, Limited, announce the suspension of interest on the prior lien bonds. They point out that no revenue is available as the line has been in the possession of the insurgents since February last. They also aver that the United States government is liable for the guaranteed interest, having assumed sovereignty over the Philippines. The company has claims aggregating £34,000 against the United States.

ARMSTRONG'S BODY ALSO TO BE BROUGHT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Major Frank J. Armstrong, who lost his life in the Philippines, whose remains are to be brought home on the troopship Thomas, with those of General Lawton and Major Logan, was a surgeon in the volunteer establishment attached to the thirty-second infantry. He served creditably in the Philippines with the Twenty-first Kansas infantry.

FIVE DEATHS OF PLAGUE.

That Number Expired From Bubonic Scourge at Honolulu—Fight to Stamp It Out.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 29.—Mail advices received late last night from Honolulu give additional details of the bubonic plague which had appeared there, and indicated that the conditions were not very alarming. Five deaths had occurred, one native and four Chinese. So deaths had occurred since Dec. 12, when the disease first appeared.

A quarantine system for island vessels was established, and a district practically co-extensive with Chinatown was put in quarantine. Volunteer inspectors were called for and the work of leaving this district was at once begun. The next day the national guard was called out and has since been doing duty guarding the quarantined district.

ASHES OF DUKE INTERRED.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The ashes of the Duke of Westminster, whose remains were cremated at Woking cemetery Dec. 24, were privately interred in the burial vault of the duke's family in the presence of his relatives and the duke's private secretary, Lord Curzon. Previously impressive memorial services in honor of the late duke were held in Westminster Abbey. Representatives of the duke's family and most of the English royal personages were present. There was a similar service in Chester cathedral.

MR. BOUTELLE'S ILLNESS.

Relative Questioned as to Whether It Was Caused by the Flu.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—While the officials of the McLean hospital are extremely reticent in the matter of giving details as to the condition of Congressman Charles A. Boutelle of Maine, it is known that he is recovering from a very serious illness. It is very probable that he will be discharged in a few days, and that he will be very comfortable and that he will be very comfortable and that he will be very comfortable.

FOR A TELEPHONE COMBINE.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—It was learned that representatives of all the principal independent telephone manufacturers in Chicago, except the Western Telephone company, are to meet in New York city next week with the avowed purpose of entering a combination to embrace all the independent telephone manufacturing concerns in the country.

MAN AND WOMAN SUFFOCATED.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Peter G. Schroeder, a wealthy wholesale grocer with a number of stores in Brooklyn, and a young woman believed to be Till Flynn were suffocated by gas in a closed room in the city of Longwood street, Brooklyn. Schroeder lived with his wife and two small children in Williamsburg.

DIAGNOSTIC.

Westerners—Doesn't the New England climate agree with you? Easterners—No, it doesn't even agree with the weather predictions.—Somerville (Mass.) Journal.

THE APPROPRIATE SEASON.

"It seems to me that I saw a great many more horseless carriages during the fall than at any other season."

"That's to be expected."

"How so?"

"Fall is the proper time for autumn clothes, isn't it?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP IS A REMARKABLE MEDICINE.

A dry, tickling, hacking cough, the warning that consumption lurks near, needs no other doctor but Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup. It positively cures throat and lung troubles.

WILKESBARRER, Pa., Dec. 29.—Robert Owens, a teamster, aged 60, while attempting to cross railroad tracks at Plainsville, was run over by a train and instantly killed.

Former Premier of Natal Dead.

DURBAN, Natal, Dec. 29.—Harry Escombe, former premier of Natal, died suddenly on the street.

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DEMAND FOR INCREASE Believed to Be Object of Miners' Secret Meeting. AN OPPONENT TO MITCHELL Miles Dougherty of Shamokin, Pa., Out For Election to the Presidency—National Convention to Be Held in Indianapolis Jan. 15.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 29.—The official call for the convention of the United Mine Workers in this city, Jan. 15, showed that there will be a candidate against President John Mitchell for the presidency, Miles Dougherty of Shamokin, Pa. A secret meeting of some of the delegates has been in session here. A man well up in labor circles said that the meeting had no doubt been called for the purpose of arranging for a general demand for higher wages, which will be made after Jan. 1. That this demand will be made in an open secret, and the object of this meeting is no doubt for the purpose of making arrangements necessary in event the demand should have to be enforced by a strike. In an interview Mr. Mitchell would neither confirm nor deny this report and said that all of the delegates had agreed to preserve silence as to the object of the meeting.

CREDITORS LIKELY TO LOSE ALL. Only Banks Entirely Secured in a Failure at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—The committee appointed by creditors to investigate the accounts of Stahl & Straub, brokers, who failed Nov. 29, reported that not a dollar's worth of available resources were found. The total liabilities amount to \$1,321,808 and the total assets \$927,474, leaving a deficiency of \$394,334.

The statement shows that there is \$638,944 due to banks and that the amount is secured to the lenders by stocks and bonds estimated at the value of \$601,407. The result probably will be that every dollar of these securities, though there is a surplus of \$37,537, will be wiped out in settling the accounts due to banks.

There is \$387,364 due to depositors and customers. There is \$99,021 left to pay the amount, which makes the losses to be sustained by individual customers and depositors with the firm of Stahl & Straub amount to \$291,343, according to the firm's own books.

John H. Straub, the junior member of the firm, is under the charge of the trustee. His partner, Mr. Stahl, is missing and a warrant has been issued for his arrest.

Transmitted to Attorney General.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—The interstate commerce commission, in compliance with the request of the freight shippers and representatives of the commercial interests, transmitted to Attorney General Griggs a transcript of the evidence taken at the hearing last week respecting the new classification of freight and passenger rates.

The request was also made for a recommendation that it institute legal proceedings, by injunction or otherwise, to restrain the railroads from putting the new classification into effect. No recommendation was made. Arguments were also submitted.

Mr. Blair Remembered Churches.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—By the terms of Mr. Blair's will the Blair Presbyterian church at Blairtown, N. J., which Mr. Blair founded and maintained for many years, is given the sum of \$115,000. The Presbyterian church at Blairtown receives \$10,000, the Oxford church \$10,000 and the methodist church \$10,000. To each of his daughters' children, he gives cash and bonds to the amount of \$500,000. His wife gets the old homestead and an annuity. The residue goes to the son.

Satisfactory Test of Armor.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—In the presence of officials of the Russian government, several United States naval officers and representatives of the Carnegie Steel company, an eight-inch Krupp plate, a part of a lot of armor intended for the Russian battleship Retvisan, now building at the Craney shipyards, Philadelphia, was tested at the Indian Head proving grounds. The test was regarded as entirely satisfactory.

Cornish Was a Witness.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Harry S. Cornish, to whom the poison which killed Mrs. Adams was sent through the mails, testified in the Molineux trial, but did not finish. Cornish told of the receipt by himself of the famous silver holder and bottle of poison and he reviewed the story of Mrs. Adams' death by the supposed bromo seltzer, which he had administered to her when she was ill.

Oppose Hynum's Confirmation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—In a few days charges will be filed before the finance committee of the senate against the confirmation of ex-representative William D. Hynum of Indiana as Democratic appointee for the New York board of appraisers. The minority of that committee, on the ground that he is not a Democrat, but has openly affiliated himself with the Republican party.

Ex-President Cleveland Improved.

PRINCETON, N. J., Dec. 29.—Ex-President Grover Cleveland, who has been confined to his bed for the last three days, was much improved. The attending physician stated that the ex-president was up and able to get about the house and would soon be entirely recovered.

Shot by Installation Collector.

CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 29.—Samuel Mills, a collector for an installment house, attempted to seize furniture in the house of Mary Venable for a small debt. In a struggle Mills shot the woman and her little son and daughter, all seriously.

Estimates For Gold Shipment.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Wall street estimates of tomorrow's gold engagements placed the amount at \$2,000,000 for shipment.

JUDGE BURKE TO RETIRE.

Clear May Be Chosen President and General Manager of the Ohio Railway Combine.

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 29.—The closing of the Ohio Central-Hocking Valley deal, officially announced from Columbus, means the retirement of Judge Stevenson Burke as president of the Toledo and Ohio Central railroad. Judge Burke purchased the Ohio Central at receiver's sale about 15 years ago. It is reported here that as soon as the stock is formally transferred, some Eastern

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capitalist will be elected temporary president of the Ohio Central. It is believed that Mr. A. G. Blair, formerly president of the Wheeling and Lake Erie road, will be made president and general manager of the property. The Ohio Central and Hocking Valley lines will continue to be operated as separate properties, although owned in common.

WOOLGROWERS NEED NOT FEAR. Assured Argentine Convention Won't Injure Their Interests.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—An official statement of facts respecting the Argentine convention was given out for public information and to correct misapprehensions in respect to the effect of the treaty on the wool interest. It said in part:

The Argentine government demanded reciprocal concessions on the few articles which it exports to the United States. The total import of wool in United States for 1900 from all countries was 75,748,000 pounds. Of this from the Argentine came only 7,507,000 pounds, which is a very small portion of our aggregate importation. It appears that our woolen factories require, notwithstanding high duties, a certain amount of foreign wool to supplement the domestic product. There is no proposal for any reduction of wool duties in favor of any other country.

It is evident that the proposed reduction for Argentine wools alone can have no effect on our market prices. The majority of the wool is of the coarsest class (for carpets, etc.), which is not at all or but little supplied by this country. If other countries imposed the same high duties on our exports, our woolen factories would turn the tide of wool supply to the United States. But other nations have adopted the policy of free importation of wool. Consequently, the Argentine wool seeks the European free markets, France, Germany, Belgium, Great Britain, Italy, etc., and will continue to do so.

New Railway Incorporated.

COLUMBUS, Dec. 29.—The Toledo and Western Railway company filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. The capital stock is \$1,800,000. The company is to construct and operate a railroad by electric or other motive power from Toledo through Lucas and Adams counties to the junction of the line of the old Indiana plank road and the boundary line between Ohio and Indiana.

FIVE SUDDEN DEATHS. That Number of Persons Either Killed or Died Unexpectantly in Pittsburg and Surrounding Towns.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 29.—Joseph Michael of Ammon, Tenn., Homestead, was killed while working on the 128-inch mill of the Carnegie Steel company, Limited. He was employed as an oiler, fell into a flywheel pit and was killed instantly.

Mrs. Kate Sime of Mountain street, Lower St. Clair township, died suddenly at her home. She was 39 years old.

Among the cases reported to the coroner was that of "Nay" Glarko, a 15-year-old boy, who died at the residence of his grandmother, Mrs. Ann McAuley, 4238 Sheridan street, from lockjaw.

Mary Spencer, 60 years old, a well-known McKeesport character, was killed by a car on the McKeesport, Duquesne and Wilmerding Traction road, on Jerome street, McKeesport. She ran after a man named Ramsey, with whom she had quarreled, and was killed.

Frederic Reubensman, a merchant tailor, who lived at Penn avenue and Matlock place, went downstairs for a drink of water and a few minutes later his wife heard a fall. She ran down and found her husband at the bottom of the flight. He had been seized with an attack of apoplexy. Reubensman was 72 years old and is survived by his wife and four daughters. He was a prominent Mason.

GIFT TO BAPTIST SOCIAL UNION. Youth's Companion to Be Run for Organization's Benefit.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 29.—The will of the late Daniel Sharp Ford, publisher of the Youth's Companion, filed for probate in the Middlesex county probate court, disposed of an estate of about \$2,500,000. The will gives \$77,000 direct to public charitable and religious institutions, mostly in Massachusetts, and provides annuities for life.

The will also bequeaths \$100,000 to the Baptist Social Union, subject to conditions, among them that it shall become a corporation within two years after the testator's death. This sum is to be used for the erection of a building for the use of the union.

The entire Youth's Companion plant, with certain real estate, is left to the executor, to be administered for the benefit of the Baptist Social Union.

Of the residue one-sixth goes to the American Baptist Home Mission Union and one-ninth each to several other New England charities.

Charles E. Pike Dead.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 29.—Charles E. Pike died at his residence in this city. Charles E. Pike was a lawyer and practiced in Maine, Massachusetts and Wisconsin for many years. In 1887, while a member of the Maine legislature, he wrote the resolutions which, according to the custom of that time, brought before the people the name of Taylor for the presidency. Pike was one of the group of the first Republicans in the Massachusetts legislature.

An Orphan's Home in Cuba.

HAVANA, Dec. 29.—The barracks at Cienfuegos are to be converted into an orphan's home, and plans are estimated to be submitted for fitting up workshops for the training of boys. A model cattle farm will be attached to the institution.

ASLEEP AT ARLINGTON. Bodies of Maine Dead Laid to Rest After Religious Ceremonies—Honors of War Paid.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Upon the windy heights of Arlington cemetery the Maine dead, brought from Havana by the battleship Texas, were laid away in their final resting places with simple religious services and the impressive honors of war.

The caskets interred ranged row on row. Over each was spread an American ensign upon which lay a wreath of smilax leaves. Around the enclosure were drawn up the cavalry of Fari Meyer, to the right was a battalion of marines from the navyyard, to the left a detachment of jockies from the Texas, in the flag draped stand in the rear the president and his cabinet, Admiral Dewey, Major General Miles and a distinguished group of officers of the army and navy in their showy dress uniforms, while all around pressed the throng of people who had braved the snow and biting cold to pay their last tribute to the dead. Among those were many relatives and friends of those who had been lost in the disaster.

Captain Sigbee, who was in command of the Maine when she was blown up, had charge of the ceremonies in honor of his men and Father Chidwick, who was chaplain of the Maine, was there to perform the last rites. Three others who lived through that awful night in Havana harbor were at the side of the dead. They were the comrades, Lieutenant Commander Wainwright, who was executive officer, Lieutenant E. C. Bowers, who was an assistant engineer, and Jeremiah Shea, a fireman on the Maine, who was blown out of the side of the ship by the force of the explosion, escaping uninjured most miraculously.

The full Maine band played the dirge, "Safe In the Arms of Jesus," and there were twining of lips and wet eyes as Chaplain Clark of the naval academy at Annapolis came forward and took his place under a canopy covered shelter in the open space in front of the dead.

Professional services were held first and were very simple. Chaplain Clark read the burial service of the Episcopal church and then gave way to Father Chidwick, who was assisted by Revs. Holoid and Brown and two purple robed acolytes. For the purpose of the wintry blast the Maine's chaplain read a memorial service according to the rites of the Catholic church, consigned the dead, blessed the ground, repeated the Lord's prayer and concluded with a fervent appeal for the repose of the souls of the departed. A detachment of marines, in command of Captain Komomy then marched to the right of the graves and fired three volleys over the dead and then a bugle rang out with taps.

His Assignment.

"Hello, Griggs! What are you doing with that rifle?"

"I am just starting for Brazil."

"For Brazil? Isn't that rather sudden?"

"Yes, but a newspaper reporter has to be ready for such things. He never knows when or where he is going to be sent till the order comes. I'd like to talk to you longer, but my train leaves in ten minutes. Goodby."

"Goodby, old man. Safe journey to you. How long do you expect to be gone?"

"Coming back tomorrow."

"Tomorrow? From Brazil?"

"Yes, Brazil, ind."—Chicago Tribune.

The Run Off.

"Once," said the dreamy tragedian, "I toured the great state of Illinois in less than a week."

"Who was your backer?" inquired the press agent.

"Beg pardon?"

"I really do not grasp your meaning."

"Who was behind you on this meteoric tour?"

"Oh, the sheriff!"—Chicago News.