



MONDAY EVENING DEC 17, 1900

FROM WASHINGTON.

Washington, December 17. So much money is being handled in the Philippines so far away from headquarters that the administration is disturbed that scandals might arise.

The opposition of some Southern Representatives to the bill now before Congress to abolish the Pennsylvania Railroad's grade crossings in Washington city, is more than passing strange.

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The two Virginia Senators and Representative Hay called at the White House this morning and requested the President to appoint a new Member of Congress from Virginia to a seat at West Point.

NEWS OF THE DAY

Dr. Cowley says Congressman Bottelle's mental condition is less favorable than formerly.

Five British officers and 316 men, Magaliesburg prisoners, have been released by the Boers.

Selma Schorcka, who attempted to kill Emperor William on November 13, has been placed in an insane asylum.

Minister Conger says he believes that China will immediately accept the terms imposed by the powers on presentation.

The Boers have defeated a detachment of General Brabant's horsemen near Zumbrota, Orange Free State, capturing 130 men.

Major Esterhazy is a ragged pauper, living on charity, in a London slum. His wife is selling her furniture, silver and clothes in Paris to feed their five children.

Oswald Ottendorfer, editor of the Staats Zeitung, a philanthropist and a leader among the Germans in this country, died in New York on Saturday evening.

Letters from bankers and brokers all over the country are being received by Congressmen urging an amendment to the War Tax Reduction bill repealing the special tax on capital and surplus of banks.

On the same day of the year and at the same hour as her husband, Mrs. Calvin S. Brice died Saturday at her home in New York of Bright's disease. It was the second anniversary of Senator Brice's death.

The exportation of manufactures of metals during the year about to end will reach \$200,000,000. In steel rails the exports of the year will aggregate \$12,000,000. But still there will be no reduction in the tariff on metal imports.

By the collapse of a floor during the progress of the funeral services of former County Commissioner Wilmer Worthington, at Forest Grove, Pa., on Saturday, 60 men made a narrow escape from death. Several were severely injured.

The American troops have been moving northward on the Island of Panay, and in several slight encounters with the Filipinos have lost two killed and three wounded. The Philippine commission is devoting most of its time to the tariff bill.

Congressman Nappen introduced a bill in the U. S. House of Representatives on Saturday providing for the construction of homes by the government for the homeless poor, that they may be made self-sustaining home-owners. The bill was introduced "by request."

Between 300 and 400 men, all of them Jews and nearly all of them residents of the East Side, met in the Sixty-sixth Regiment Armory, in New York, last evening, for the purpose of organizing an exclusively Jewish regiment—the first of the kind in the United States.

A dispatch from Brussels says the Chateau de Oull, the castle and summer residence of the Prince of Ligne, dating from 1146, has been destroyed by fire. The paintings and most of the principal works of art which it contained were saved.

The Princess of Ligne noticed an odor of burning wood last evening, and told her father of it, but he paid no attention to the matter. The chateau was burned during the night.

In anticipation of the passage of the army bill, which will create a large number of desirable jobs in the permanent military organization, the rush of place seekers has already started at the White House and the War department.

The wise ones are not waiting until the bill goes through. They know that by the time the measure is a law every last lieutenant and captain will have been promised at least once and perhaps often.

While the German training ship Gneisenau was entering the harbor of Malaga, Spain, yesterday, where she was making a stop-over after a storm, she was completely wrecked. Her commander and many cadets were drowned.

A boat with forty persons in it left the wreck, and has not since been heard of. It is feared that it has been lost with all its occupants. The Gneisenau's masts were left projecting above the water when she had settled to the bottom, and many of the officers and cadets sought safety in the rigging.

As stated in the Gazette of that day, the House on Saturday evening passed the war revenue reduction bill. The opposition sought to recommit the bill, with instructions to report back a measure reducing the revenue at least \$70,000,000, and including a provision for an income tax so drawn as to secure an adverse decision of the Supreme Court.

The motion failed—131 to 155. Thereupon the bill was passed, without the concurrence of the minority, who refrained from voting.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

William Jett died on Saturday of pneumonia, at his home in Stafford county, aged 55 years.

There is a strong probability that the St. Louis Car Works may on an early date remove its plant to Norfolk.

Miss Eliza Henri died on Friday night at the home of her brother, Wesley Henri, in Stafford county, at the advanced age of 90 years.

The National Bank of Middlesex is to be established at Urbana near by Mr. A. Randolph Howard, of Fredericksburg, who will be the president of the enterprise.

Bishop Duncan, of South Carolina, yesterday dedicated Memorial Methodist Church in Berkeley. It is one of the most modern of southern churches, and was built at a cost of \$40,000 by E. M. Tiley, a prominent lumber merchant.

The building occupied by the construction department at the Norfolk navy yard was completely destroyed by fire yesterday evening. The building contained all the important papers, models and plans of the construction department. Over seven thousand drawings and \$100,000 worth of live oak lumber were destroyed.

Loss to building and contents over two hundred thousand dollars. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The dwelling of Capt. W. B. Lynch, editor of the Washingtonian, in Leesburg, narrowly missed destruction by fire Friday night. Captain Lynch overturned a large glass lamp in his dining room, the lamp smashed into fragments and the oil escaped over the floor and began blazing furiously.

The flames rapidly caught surrounding combustibles and were only put out with difficulty by the prompt use of water from a rain barrel just outside the house.

THE CHINESE TROUBLES

Difficult instructions have been received by Sir Ernest Mason Satow, the British Minister at Peking, and he now demands a modification of a point in the joint note which the foreign envoys generally regard as important.

This means further delay, as all the ministers must communicate anew with their respective governments. Just what is the nature of the objection raised by Great Britain the ministers decline to say, but they add that the new demand will involve a good deal more important procedure.

The Russian government re-nudiates the charge that the Russians acted illegally in holding the Yangtze Railroad and declared to recognize the British as owners of the line. Russia is determined to hold the Yangtze Railroad till the foreign troops have all been withdrawn from China.

Colonel Tullock and his force have returned to Peking, after an exciting experience. Boxers attacked them with modern guns. Lieut. McPherson, of the British force, distinguished himself by leading his men in a perilous attack of scaling the walls of a town.

French officers report the advance upon Peking of 10,000 Chinese. At Pao Ling Fu the French garrison has been attacked by the advance guard. An appeal has been made to Li Hung Chang to stop the Chinese movement.

A NEW PENITENTIARY

Old Point Comfort College, Va., December 15, 1900.

Nothing in your issue of the 13th, received last night, a letter from my friend, Mr. L. M. Blackford, to which is appended an admirable address to the voters of the Commonwealth urging the necessity for a new penitentiary, and knowing well the facts stated, I cannot refrain from urging upon your readers the importance of immediate attention to the matter.

For nearly seven years I have preached there (up and down) in one of the cells spoken of) and often administered the sacraments and visited the sick in the hospital. It is no exaggeration whatever to say, as the lady who wrote the address does, that the prison "is a burning shame" to the people of Virginia and that its renewal is far more important to the honor of the Commonwealth than any other matter which can come before the extra session of the General Assembly.

The situation was somewhat improved several years ago by the establishment of the State farm in Goodland county, to which some hundreds of sick men and short term prisoners were sent for there were then 1,700 prisoners to be provided for. A bill was subsequently passed by each House for the gradual construction of a modern prison, but failed to become a law by reason of their disagreement about some unimportant matter. Let all take an interest in the matter and speak so plainly, in person and by petition, that their representatives will not dare to neglect it.

Yours respectfully, RICHARD L. CARNE.

PRINCE ACQUITTED.—The jury in the Prince murder case, at Norfolk, on Saturday evening agreed upon a verdict of not guilty. The words were scarcely out of the mouth of the foreman when the audience broke into cheering, which for some minutes the court officials were unable to check.

Prince, during this trying ordeal, was the calmest man in the courtroom. During the polling of the jury he stood up, but gave no indication of nervousness or excitement.

The crime for which Prince was tried was the open killing of a man named Cannon on August 3 in the area way of the customhouse building. Evidence showed that Cannon had been in mate with Prince's wife. It was Cannon's wife who first told Prince of the intimacy between her husband and his wife.

THE BEST AND CHEAPEST.—No experienced advertiser will question the assertion of Printer's Ink that "newspapers carry information to more people for less cost than all other kinds of advertising." It is true also that "the cheapest salesman is an advertisement in a good daily newspaper." Moreover, such a salesman is not only the cheapest, but the best.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Foreign News. Madrid, Dec. 17.—The Italian steamer Fallo was wrecked in the Bay of Biscay yesterday. The crew escaped but the captain refused to leave his ship and was lost.

St. Nazaire, France, Dec. 17.—Two cargoes of American coal arrived here today for the French market.

London, Dec. 17.—Dr. Joseph Parker, pastor of the City Temple, today began his experiment of editing the Evening Sun for a week. The doctor prints a prayer that gambling may perish and says: "If my paper cannot, during six experimental days, live without pandering to the gambler, the drunkard and the sensualist, then let it wither away." He attacks secularism and urges flagging as a deterrent to crime.

Mesero, Basutoland, Dec. 17.—Gou. De Wet and part of his force, after severe fighting, broke through the British cordons at Taba N'Chu. A number of Boers attempting to get north, were repulsed.

Vienna, Dec. 17.—The agrarian provinces comprising two hundred square miles around Leutschau, Hungary, are famine stricken. Disease is rampant, eight cases of bubonic plague and thousands of cases of typhoid being reported. The mortality in the district is 300 to the thousand.

London, Dec. 17.—The Evening Standard says that fighting began at dawn today between the British and 1,500 Boers who were stopped recently from going south. The Boers were surrounded at Orange river and after several hours fighting were defeated with very heavy losses.

London, Dec. 17.—The Boers reported defeated are believed to be part of De Wet's commando. The Boer general had 3,000 men with him when he made the break for freedom at Taba N'Chu and, according to the dispatches, though he escaped part of his forces were not so fortunate.

Thieves Torture a Woman

New Castle, Pa., Dec. 17.—Three masked robbers tortured Mrs. John Bell, of Nesbannock township, Tuesday night, in their efforts to force her to open a safe. Mrs. Bell, who is a widow, was alone with her little granddaughter, Mary Sargent. She had just retired when there came a knock at the door. In response to her inquiry a voice told her that there had been a runaway accident and they wanted a light. Peering out she saw three masked men, and refused to open the door. The burglars battered it down with a rail. Plunging a revolver at Mrs. Bell's head, they led her to a large iron safe, telling her she would be shot in thirty seconds if she did not open it. She begged piteously for her life, telling them that her only hope for life lay in the safe, but they would not listen to her. In their efforts to force her to open it they almost twisted her arms from their sockets. They roasted her feet over hot coals and stuck pins into her. Finally, convinced that she could not open the safe, they secured \$8 and some jewelry, and then binding the woman and little girl they left.

The Wreck of the Gneisenau

Malaga, Spain, Dec. 17.—It is feared that the loss of life in the wreck of the German schoolship Gneisenau, off this port, yesterday, will prove much greater than at first reported. One hundred and ninety survivors are being cared for here, and 271 men are still missing. Some of these may have reached the shore in boats or wreckage, but as yet no rescues have been reported. Of the survivors forty were seriously injured and are now in the hospital, and 150 have been taken in and lodged by private citizens. The theatres were all closed last night out of respect to the dead in the disaster and signs of mourning have been placed on the public and private buildings.

Annoyed by Ex-President's Action

Chicago, Dec. 17.—A dispatch from Washington says that President McKinley and members of his Cabinet have been annoyed by the action of ex-President Harrison in selecting Porto Rico as the subject of an address at Ann Arbor, Mich., only three days before the question came to a hearing in the Supreme Court. Some of the President's friends have been so unkind as to remark that General Harrison made his address at the time he did hoping that it would have influence on the court. It is freely asserted that General Harrison was consulted and approved some of the arguments that will be made by opposing counsel in the case to be heard this week.

Played Tomcat to Spite His Wife

New York, Dec. 17.—In a suit for divorce Mrs. Mary Theiss, after making several charges against her husband, from whom she has separated, asserts that when he found out where she was living he would enter a hallway of a house on Fifty-seventh street, opposite the house in which she resides, go through the yard, climb and sit on a fence, crooked like a cat, and make faces, grimaces and hideous howls day after day, creating consternation in the neighborhood and public comment. Residents in the neighborhood threw bootjacks and old shoes at him. He usually selected the hour of midnight for his caterwauling, the complainant says.

Phyladelphia, Dec. 17.—The members of the Judiciary Committee of the National Council, Junior Order of American Mechanics, are in session at Odd Fellows Temple today hearing charges of insubordination preferred against the officers of the State council of Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Virginia and the District of Columbia. The trouble between the State councils and the National Board arose over the former refusing to pass a per capita tax of 15 cents levied by the latter. The committee is considering the charges in secret.

Fire in New York

New York, Dec. 17.—Fire broke out in the four-story building at 1230 Broadway shortly before noon today. The building is one of those composing the "Flat Iron," bounded by Broadway, Fifth avenue and 23d street. On account of the importance of the locality two alarms were sounded. The fire started in the ground floor where an exhibition of paintings was in progress. Most of the pictures were destroyed and the fire spread rapidly to the roof sweeping the interior of the building clean. Neighboring property was not threatened. The loss is about \$15,000.

Bids for Raising the Maline

Havana, Dec. 17.—Bids for raising the Maline from the bottom of this har-

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The remains of the last missing man from the Frederica Normal School fire at Dunkirk, N. Y., was found this morning. It was identified as the missing janitor. In all seven bodies have been found.

Three men were stabbed during a fight following a robbery in a Chicago saloon early this morning. Eric Tolander will probably die and two other men were badly cut. According to the story told the police, a woman stole \$20 from one of the inmates. The doors were locked and the fight ensued.

The military board of inquiry appointed to investigate the shooting made by the friends of and relatives of O. A. L. Cox at the West Point cadet school, December 3, as the result of a hazing by his fellow students at the military school convened at Bristol Pa., today to take evidence in the case.

The injunction suit begun by Anton Dittmar against the trustees of the will of the late Jay Gould, to restrain them from paying to the Countess de Castellane her income, pending a settlement of her debts, came up for argument in New York today before Judge Blanchard in the Supreme Court. At the request of counsel for the trustees the case went over till Thursday.

The Markets

Georgetown, Dec. 17.—Wheat 65 1/2.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

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SENATE.

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HOUSE.

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The bill was defeated—yeas 51, noes 109.

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MACRODOD CREEK.

For several years past the residents along the Upper Macrodoc creek, in Westmoreland county, have been trying to get an appropriation in the river and harbor bill to have their creek deepened so that steamers can get in and out of it at all stages of the tide, and though their efforts have never met with success, they are not discouraged, and will, it is understood, make another attempt to accomplish their purpose at this session of Congress. Upper Macrodoc is one of the more important tributaries of the Potomac river, and to and from its two narrows, Brick House and Ferrall's, the quantities of goods are shipped often. When the tide is low, which often occurs at this season of the year, it is almost impossible, it is said, for the steamers to get into the creek on account of the shallow water, and the farmers and merchants are thereby greatly inconvenienced.

TO OUR READERS.—A glance at the Gazette's advertising columns will be of advantage to the shippers in city and country. The merchants whose advertising notices appear here have large and well-selected stocks of goods and are selling them at most reasonable prices, being satisfied with moderate profits. Shoppers can like the Gazette and before going on the streets can read its advertisements, giving not only the articles held for sale by various merchants, but in many cases the prices of the same, and thus they are enabled to go straight to the store and complete their buying. In nearly every instance persons who read the papers buy from these merchants who advertise and we advise the subscribers of the Gazette to read its advertisements.

Clerical Orders for 1901.

The Postal and railroad Company announces that certain orders will be issued for the year 1901 to ordained clergy having regular charge of churches located on or near the line of its road. Application blanks may be obtained of ticket agents, and same, when reached the General Office by December 22, Orders will be issued only on individual application of clergyman when made on blanks furnished by the company and certified to by one of its agents.

ANOTHER INVOICE OF CHOICE CALIFORNIA LEMON CLING PEACHES

IN CASES, RECEIVED AND FOR SALE BY J. C. MILBURN.

MINCE MEAT.

This season's Mince Meat just received by J. C. MILBURN.

NEW PICKLES.

Sweet mixed, sour mixed, and chow chow, just received. For sale by J. C. MILBURN.

CANBERRIES.

Fancy Cape Cod Cranberries just received by J. C. MILBURN.

WATER GRANGES FOR SALE

By J. C. MILBURN.

CANNED LOBSTER.

Just received by J. C. MILBURN.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

New York, Dec. 17.—The stock market opened active with widely distributed volume of business. Higher prices were established everywhere through the list, the rally only varying in a degree. After the initial decline there were some reactions on profit-taking. The market, however, showed a strong tone.

WHOLESALE PRICES IN ALEXANDRIA. Flour Extra... 2 75 a 3 00. Family... 3 50 a 3 75. Fancy... 4 00 a 4 25. Whole, longberry... 0 67 a 0 75. Milled... 0 66 a 0 75. Yellow... 0 50 a 0 53. Corn Meal... 0 50 a 0 52. Rye... 0 45 a 0 50. Oats... 0 30 a 0 32. White... 0 33 a 0 35. Elgin Pilot Butter... 0 25 a 0 30. Butter, Virginia, packed... 0 19 a 0 20. Choice Virginia... 0 21 a 0 22. Common to middling... 0 12 a 0 14. No. 1... 0 18 a 0 20. No. 2... 0 14 a 0 16. No. 3... 0 12 a 0 14. No. 4... 0 10 a 0 12. No. 5... 0 8 a 0 10. No. 6... 0 6 a 0 8. No. 7... 0 4 a 0 6. No. 8... 0 2 a 0 4. No. 9... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 10... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 11... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 12... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 13... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 14... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 15... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 16... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 17... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 18... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 19... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 20... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 21... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 22... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 23... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 24... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 25... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 26... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 27... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 28... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 29... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 30... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 31... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 32... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 33... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 34... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 35... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 36... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 37... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 38... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 39... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 40... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 41... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 42... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 43... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 44... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 45... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 46... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 47... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 48... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 49... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 50... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 51... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 52... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 53... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 54... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 55... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 56... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 57... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 58... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 59... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 60... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 61... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 62... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 63... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 64... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 65... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 66... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 67... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 68... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 69... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 70... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 71... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 72... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 73... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 74... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 75... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 76... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 77... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 78... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 79... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 80... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 81... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 82... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 83... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 84... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 85... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 86... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 87... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 88... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 89... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 90... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 91... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 92... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 93... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 94... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 95... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 96... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 97... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 98... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 99... 0 1 a 0 3. No. 100... 0 1 a 0 3.

SALE OF VALUABLE REAL ESTATE IN ALEXANDRIA, VA. By virtue of a deed of trust bearing date on the 23d day of June, 1900, and of record in the land records of the City of Alexandria, Va., in Liber No. 45, folio 397, the undersigned trustees therein named, at the request of the party secured thereby, do hereby have made in the payment of the debt therein secured, well known to all, a public auction, in front of the Court House entrance to the Market Building in said city, on

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at 12 o'clock, the following property in the said city, to wit:

The LOT beginning on the east side of north Alfred street, 113 feet 9 inches south of Freness street and at the south end of a 10 foot wide alley, 18 feet, then an 113 feet 5 inches; thence north 18 feet; thence along the line of said alley 123 feet 6 inches to the place of beginning; and also the lot on the east side of north Alfred street, beginning at the intersection of said street with south 25 feet 6 inches; thence east 123 feet 5 inches; thence north 25 feet 6 inches; thence west 123 feet 5 inches to the place of beginning; together with all singular improvements thereon and all rights well known to all, and well known to all, and public auction, in front of the Court House entrance to the Market Building in said city, on

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