



THURSDAY EVENING, NOV. 6, 1902

THE ADMINISTRATION has determined to have no foolishness with the political side of its colonial possessions, as will be seen by the following dispatch from San Juan, P. R.:

"There were no serious disorders anywhere in Porto Rico on Tuesday. The election, which resulted in a sweeping republican victory, passed off quietly. This was largely due to the fact that Governor Hunt sent twenty-two special representatives, covering the whole island, with plenary powers to adjust differences summarily."

The federals allege frauds and propose to send a committee to the United States to protest to the President. They have also issued a proclamation complaining bitterly of the partiality of the government in favoring the republicans in the election and declare that a manifesto will be issued to the people of the United States, accompanied by particulars and proofs of the outrages, but their appeals and protests will fall upon deaf ears when they reach Washington. All of this sounds familiar to the people of the South who remember "carpetbag rule" in this section after the war between the States.

MEMBERS of the militia organizations called out by the governor of Louisiana to preserve order during the recent strike of the street car employes in New Orleans, found, upon their return home, that the labor unions to which they belonged had dropped them from their rosters. The first duty of a soldier is to obey orders. In this case the members of the militia served the State. Nothing but shortsightedness—to call it by no worse name—could have inspired the unions to inflict punishment upon men for doing their duty. There should be nothing incompatible with members of labor organizations and the militia in the States in which they are located. The duty of both is to obey the laws and preserve order and each should view with the other to this end. As has been well said labor unions would better serve their interests were they to act with greater deliberation and less upon the impulse of the moment, or in a fit of resentment, than they do at times.

THE DEMOCRATS of the Ninth district have only themselves to blame for the defeat of Judge Rhea. They had the votes to elect him, and to spare, but overconfidence or apathy caused a sufficient number of them to stay away from the polls and the result was the election of his republican opponent, Mr. Slemph. Dispatches from various sections of the district tell of the lavish expenditure of money by the republicans to elect Mr. Slemph, but this was to have been expected, for the republicans who now manage elections believe in the efficacy of money and to win, do not stand back for such little things as bribery and corruption. Judge Rhea has represented his district in Congress well and efficiently and deserved a re-election at the hands of a constituency for whom he had faithfully labored.

THE MASONIC gathering in Philadelphia yesterday to celebrate the sesqui-centennial of the initiation of George Washington into the fraternity was a representative gathering in every particular, and all who attended are profuse in expressions of their experience. While Washington was brought from darkness into light in a Fredericksburg lodge, he was in fact an Alexandria Mason, and his presence among the brethren here was a common occurrence. Some from this city were present in Philadelphia, and those brethren in Alexandria who were unable to participate in the exercises and festivities felt as though they were present in spirit if not in person.

It is stated that the great decline in the price of cattle has affected a number of farmers in upper Spotsylvania, Orange and Culpeper counties in this State. A number of them sold at good prices, but many others who held on, hoping to get still higher figures, must accept now from 20 to 25 per cent. less than they could have gotten 60 days ago. Still, the retail prices of meat are no lower and from all reports are not likely to be. The trusts set the prices for both cattle and meats. They buy the cattle at the lowest and sell the meats at the highest prices—and the people "pay the freight."

IN HIS ANNUAL report, the Commissioner of the General Land Office makes the sensational declaration that timber aggregating in cash value \$100,000,000 has been stolen from the public domain, or destroyed, because there is no effective legislation to prevent such thefts. This is a sad commentary upon the law makers of the country, and there is a suspicion that the beneficiaries of this big timber steel have so "fixed things" with those whose special duty it is to look after such matters, that the enactment of laws which would protect the people will be indefinitely postponed.

THE RESULT of Tuesday's election has caused no little apprehension in the republican party. The fact that Governor Odell received over one hundred thousand votes less than when he ran before shows that the people of the Empire State are growing weary of the present order of things. The result is also ominous of more serious trouble for the republican party two years hence when an election of a President will take place.

FROM PRESENT appearances the tariff, if revised at all, will be revised by "its friends," but how or when or to what extent deponent saith not.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Secretary Cortelyou is working upon the itinerary of the President's next trip which will begin on Monday and consume about ten days. President Roosevelt will leave here probably at midnight on Monday and wake up in New York. At noon on Tuesday he will attend the corner stone laying of the New York Chamber of Commerce building and in the evening will be the guest and orator of honor at the annual banquet of the Board of Trade. At midnight Tuesday he will start for Memphis proceeding thither probably by way of Pittsburgh and Cincinnati. After a day or two spent in Memphis he will go south to Mississippi, where, as the guest of Governor Longino, he expects to participate in an old-fashioned cane-brake bear hunt. He will return to Memphis in time to attend the "Luke Wright celebration" on the 19th. He will then return to Washington, will remain here one day and on the 22nd will go to Philadelphia to attend the annual banquet of the Union League Club. After that function, the President will return to the capital, and will spend the time intervening until the opening of Congress in the preparation of his annual message.

The annual report of the Lieutenant General Commanding the Army, General Nelson A. Miles, made public today by Secretary Root, is chiefly remarkable for its brevity and the absence of any discussion of subjects which it was thought he would handle at considerable length and in emphatic language.

Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the national democratic committee, although he does not regard the result of Tuesday's election as a clean democratic victory, views the situation as promising from a democratic standpoint. "I think the result presages democratic victory for 1904," he said, "Although it could not be called a democratic victory, it was certainly a republican defeat. There is no doubt that there is a very decided feeling throughout the country against the general course of the republicans during the past few years. It is the dissatisfaction with the republican party which created the hope that the democrats would carry the House and probably New York. The fact that we have made material gains everywhere shows a popular dissatisfaction with republican policies and gives us good reason to hope for democratic success two years hence. The magnificent vote cast in Greater New York is the strongest indication of this. The New York vote shows that without division we can fight. The Ohio vote shows that with dissension we can accomplish nothing. The Ohio result illustrates the fact that it is necessary for the democrats to stand together everywhere and if possible make nominations calculated to command the respect of all members of the party."

Miss Ella Sealy, of Galveston, Texas, has been selected to christen the cruiser Galveston, which is being built at Richmond. The launching will not take place for several weeks.

Minister Hunter at Guatemala cables the State department that in the election of October 28 Manuel Corriella was elected president of the republic. Threats to contest the election are made.

Chairman Griggs of the democratic congressional committee, concedes the election of a republican House of Representatives. According to his figures the republicans will have 200 members and the democrats 186, giving the republicans a majority of 14. The republican congressional committee still claims 206 republicans to 180 democrats, or a majority of 26. That the republicans will have a safe majority is now certain, although the exact figures may remain in doubt until the official counts have been made in certain districts in the West, notably the 8th Tennessee, two California districts, two Colorado districts and one in Minnesota.

Cuba is again balking in the matter of the proposed commercial treaty with the United States. Word has been received by the State Department that the draft prepared here last spring still reposes in a pigeon hole in President Palma's desk, instead of having been sent back to Washington a few days ago with suggested modifications, as had been reported.

Minister Squier wired about a week ago that the treaty would be sent on in a few days, but he has been disappointed. It is understood that the Cuban government has not yet completed its formulation of the changes desired in the proposed convention.

George G. Vest, son of Senator Vest, of Missouri, was found dead in bed at the Columbia Hotel this morning. He was taken to the hotel by a cabman about 6 o'clock yesterday evening and put to bed by the night clerk. When his room was visited this morning it was found that he was dead. The unfortunate man was about 35 years of age. He had been secretary to his father, Senator Vest at his home in this city. Both he and Mrs. Vest are prostrated with grief. Vest leaves a widow and two children at Harrisonville, Mo. The coroner has issued a certificate alleging apoplexy as the cause of death.

Marvin F. Bloxon, twenty-five years old, of Hampton, Va., was taken to the Casualty Hospital early today from 530 Tenth street northeast, unconscious from accidentally inhaling illuminating gas. There is a strong probability that President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, will not be elected to succeed himself at the forthcoming convention of that organization which meets in New Orleans on November 13. President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers of America, the leader of the "industrialists" faction of the federation, a faction that is made up of several of the largest affiliated labor bodies and stands for the merger of all the smaller organizations into the larger ones, is President Gompers' most formidable antagonist. In order to elect a president it is necessary to control 3,470 votes of the convention. The larger organizations of the "industrialists" are reported to have 2,500 of this number and as the remaining votes are controlled by some 90 other organizations it is impossible to predict the outcome of the fight.

President Roosevelt and Secretary Cortelyou moved into their quarters in the new

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Bess Banna Hughes, of White Post, Clarke county, died on Sunday last.

Mr. Hay's majority in the Seventh District will probably reach 4,000; Shenandoah was the only county he lost.

It was decided in the Richmond police court yesterday that a restaurant may serve ice cream on Sunday without violating the Sunday law.

Leon L. Strans, one of the largest tobacco dealers in Richmond, filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States District Court yesterday, naming his liabilities at \$300,000.

Andrew D. Marmaduke and Miss Bertha B. Owens, an eloping couple from Fredericksburg, arrived at Petersburg yesterday accompanied by mutual friends, and was married last night.

V. M. Flemming, of the Eagle Shoe Company, Fredericksburg, arrived in Newport News yesterday and concluded arrangements for the transfer of the company's plant to Newport News.

Mrs. Ella Jones, wife of George Washington Jones, contracting carpenter, in Ashland, was found by her husband Tuesday night sitting upright in a chair dead. She had been a sufferer from heart disease for years.

Miss Virginia Woodward Cook, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Giles Cook, of Front Royal, and Mr. Alfred Jesse McKay, of Baltimore, Md., were married yesterday evening at 6 o'clock at the Presbyterian Church, in Front Royal.

An attempt was made Tuesday night, to burglarize the house of Captain John W. Alexander, in Leesburg. On the same night an attempt was also made—presumably by the same thieves—to enter the house at Mr. R. Purcell.

William Honaker and Miss Alice Honaker, a Buchanan county couple, were married at Williamson, W. Va., yesterday. Owing to objections of parents to the match, the pair left home Monday, and walked a distance of 45 miles across the mountains to Williamson.

The seventh annual session of the Virginia State Horticulture Society will be held in Lynchburg on December 2 and 3 next. A very interesting programme has been arranged. An effort will be made to secure an exhibit of fruits at the forthcoming exposition at St. Louis which will do justice and credit to the resources of Virginia.

The marriage of Miss Dollie Frances Holder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Taitford Holder, and Mr. George W. Hurst, took place in Warrenton yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the Presbyterian Church. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Robertson. Miss Lily Holder, sister of the groom, was maid of honor, and the best man was Mr. James William Jeffries.

Heinrich Hotopp, aged 25, fourth son of the late William H. Hotopp, of Pen Park, Albemarle county, died about 2 o'clock yesterday morning of convulsions. He had locked himself in his room and was breaking up the furniture and firing a shotgun. Before his friends could gain entrance Hotopp attempted to jump out of the window, the sash of which fell on his legs holding him suspended, head downward. The unfortunate man was, after some trouble, released from this uncomfortable position, and death ensued before medical aid could reach him.

Yesterday's returns from close congressional districts altered slightly, but not materially, the republican majority for the next House. It will be about 20 votes. Chairman Griggs, of the democratic congressional committee, last night conceded the election of a republican House. His figures, as he closed headquarters, were 200 republicans and 180 democrats, a majority of 14. Their majority in the present House is 40.

The contest for the Speakership of the next House is expected to be an exciting one. Representatives Babcock, Cannon and Dalzell are the leading aspirants.

The Senate, after March 3, 1903, will consist of 55 republicans, 30 democrats and 3 independents, who will vote with the democrats. The republican majority will be 22.

A decided surprise was the election of a democratic governor in Rhode Island by 7,000 plurality.

The plurality of Odell in New York State is now estimated at 8,867. As stated yesterday Bird S. Cole and other democrats charge that there has been fraud up the State.

Outside of the South the only States carried by the democrats were Rhode Island, Delaware and Nevada.

The republicans carry Baltimore city by 820 votes, and Maryland by 8,201, electing Congressmen from four out of the six districts.

Returns show that the next Delaware legislature will have a republican majority of five on joint ballot. Counting the hold-over members, the Senate stands 7 democrats and 10 republicans. The House stands 16 democrats and 18 republicans, with one district in Kent county undecided by reason of a vote counted by the democratic and union republicans. On joint ballot, public candidates. On joint ballot, there will be 23 democrats and 28 republicans, with this one district undecided. Of the republican members it is believed that at least seven, and probably eight, will refuse to vote for J. Edward Addicks for United States Senator under any circumstances. This promises to make a deadlock over the election of Senators.

Senator James K. Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the democratic national committee, said in an interview in Washington last night. I think the result of yesterday's elections presages democratic victory for 1904. While it could not be called a democratic victory, it was certainly a republican defeat. It is an indication of what is to occur two years hence."

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, ss. I, CLARENCE M. GLEASON, Notary Public.

FEANS J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. CHENEY & CO., doing business in the City of Toledo, Ohio, and State of Ohio, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of CATARRH CURE, FRANK J. CHENEY'S, known to him and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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PRESIDENT IN PHILADELPHIA.

The President was the guest of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia yesterday at their celebration of the 150th anniversary of the entrance of George Washington into the order. Exercises were held at the Great Masonic Temple, Broad and Filbert streets, in Corinthian Hall. The officers of the Grand Lodge were all in attendance as well as the deputy grand masters and the grand masters of several States of the union. There were present also many men who are prominent in political, professional, business and social life throughout the country.

After an address of welcome by Grand Master Tennis a reply was made by Charles T. Gallagher, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Massachusetts. He announced that he had brought with him from Boston a golden urn containing a lock of hair from the head of George Washington. Following him, the President spoke.

A banquet was held later. Among the speakers were Grand Master Tennis, Bishop Potter, Governor-elect Penney-packer, and Governor Stone, of Pennsylvania.

In his speech the President said, in part: "One of the things that attracted me so greatly to Masonry that I hailed the chance of becoming a Mason was that it really did live up to what we, as a government, are pledged to—of treating each man on his merits and as a man. I know that you will not only understand me, but sympathize with me when I say that great though my pleasure is in meeting you here as your guest in this beautiful temple and in meeting such a body of men as this I am now addressing, I think my pleasure is even greater in going into some little lodge where I meet the plain, hard-working men, men who work with their hands, and meet them on a footing of genuine equality—not false equality, depending on each man to be a decent man and fair dealing man. Each one of us that is worth his salt is trying to do his share in working out the problems that are before all of us now at the beginning of the twentieth century. And so does any man in public life, whatever his position be. If he is interested at heart he has the desire to do some kind of substantial service for his country. He must realize that the indispensable prerequisite of success under our institutions is genuineness in the spirit of brotherhood. Masonry should make and must make each man who conscientiously and understandingly takes up his obligations the best type of American citizenship, because Masonry teaches him his obligations to his fellows in a practical fashion. Masonry teaches and fosters in the man the qualities of self-reliance and self-help, the qualities that make a man fit to stand by himself. Now, in our life today—in our great complex industrial centers—what do we need most? We need most each to understand the other's viewpoint; to understand that the other man is, at the bottom, like himself. Each of us should understand that and try to approach the subject at issue or any problem that arises with a firm determination not to be weak or foolish. That is helpful to your neighbor. It is not possible to present the idea that I would like to bring out, to have the best of all classes represented in Masonry in every district; but it is possible for each of us to go out into the world, trying to apply in his dealing with his fellows the lessons of Masonry as they are taught in the lodge and as they are applied in the brotherhoods. And so we can practically learn from Washington how to deal with the problems of today."

After the ceremonies the Grand Lodge entertained its guests at a banquet given in the banquet hall of the Masonic Temple. Among the toasts were: "Freemasonry Around the Globe," by Bishop Potter, of New York.

"The Grand Lodge of which Washington Was a Member," by H. Oscar Kerns, Most Worshipful Grand Master of Virginia.

Among the delegations present were K. Kemper, of Alexandria, G. J. W. of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

From Fredericksburg Lodge No. 4, Fredericksburg, bringing the Washington initiation Bible, William H. Hurkamp, worshipful master; Maurice Hirsch, senior warden; A. Randolph Howard, junior warden; S. J. Quinn, secretary.

From Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, Alexandria, J. F. Birrell, worshipful master; Robert W. Arnold, senior warden; Harry F. Charles, junior warden.

The President returned to Washington last night.

A bronze Washington souvenir medal and a plate in imitation of the old Washington plate were given to each guest. The medal given to President Roosevelt was gold, and an extra plate was sent over to Broad street station by special messenger for Mrs. Roosevelt.

KILLED THEIR FATHER.—A special from Columbus, Neb., tells of the killing last Friday of a farmer named Gerhard Borchers, living several miles northwest of Humphreys, by Herman, a 14-year-old son, who used a shotgun, which he had purchased for that purpose. With the help of two brothers, August, aged 10, and John, aged 8 years, Herman dragged the body of his father to a strawstack and set fire to it. This is the story secured by Sheriff Byrnes from the three children, who are in custody. Each of the children practically told the same story, the only variance being in the degree of culpability in the killing accorded to each. Herman, who is said to have fired the gun that killed his father, implicates his younger brothers equally with himself, while they put the blame on him. The only motive for the crime given is that the father, with whom the children had lived since the mother's death, had not treated them kindly. Neighbors of the Borchers say they know of no mistreatment on the part of the former.

Cared of Piles After 40 Years. Mr. C. Hancy, of Geneva, Ohio, had the piles for forty years. Doctors and dollars could do him no lasting good. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured him permanently. Invaluable for cuts, burns, bruises, sprains, hemorrhoids, eczema, tetter, salt rheum, and all other skin diseases. Look for the name DeWitt on the package—all others are cheap, worthless counterfeits. E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

The Market. Georgetown, Nov. 6.—Wheat 70 1/2c.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Elections. New York, Nov. 6.—The general impression about democratic headquarters this morning was that there would be no contest over the election of Governor Odell, although no statement of the purposes of the democrats could be secured from an official source. The democratic leaders will investigate the circumstances connected with up-State voting, however. The claim is made today that Cunneen, the democratic candidate for Attorney General, is elected by a good plurality.

New York, Nov. 6.—Revised county returns this morning give the State to Governor Odell by 11,000 plurality.

Manchester, N. H., Nov. 6.—Not only did the democrats carry the city by over 1,100 majority, but their gubernatorial and majority candidates, but they retained the 18th senatorial district by a majority of nearly 1,000 where, as in the same district two years ago, they were defeated by 300. There has also been a net gain of one alderman and nine representatives.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 6.—Governor Odell filed his statement of election expenses with the Secretary of State today. The Governor contributed \$10,000, his first year salary to the republican campaign fund.

The Trans-Canada Railway. Quebec, Canada, Nov. 6.—Upper Canada is to be tapped by a new railroad that will span the North American continent and discharge its traffic at the Atlantic and Pacific seaboard. The new line is called the Trans-Canada Railway and will be extended from Quebec to Port Simpson. The line will be 248 miles shorter than from Quebec to Vancouver by the Canadian Pacific. From Quebec to Yokohama, via Port Simpson the distance would be about 722 miles shorter than from Quebec to Yokohama via Vancouver.

It is said that England, using the new line, could put troops into Manchuria, for instance, four days sooner than Russia, by using the Trans-Siberian road, could have troops from Moscow in Vladivostok. It is further asserted that England could send troops to China or India by the new line about three weeks sooner than by the Suez canal. Its projectors expect to have the road ready for business from one end to the other in 1907. The road will be 2,850 miles long and the estimated cost of constructing it will be \$95,750,000. In the provinces of Alberta, Athabasca and Saskatchewan tributary to the road there are large petroleum fields in the world.

The Strike Arbitrators. Mahanoy City, Pa., Nov. 6.—The anthracite arbitration commissioners today continued their examination of the physical conditions of mining and the conditions of living in the coal region. An adjournment was taken for a week when the taking of testimony will begin. The first hearing will be in Scranton. The commissioners separated after adjournment. The operators' statement will be sent to Commissioner Wright it is expected, by Saturday.

Hazleton, Pa., Nov. 6.—General Schall commander of the Third Brigade, arrived here at noon. He will make his headquarters here until all the troops are recalled from strike duty. The first city troop arrived this afternoon from Tanama. Twelve families have been evicted from their houses in Jeddo by Sheriff Jacobs for refusing to sign the Markle agreement. This is the beginning of the wholesale evictions that are to come.

Presidential Candidates. Chicago, Nov. 6.—The Tribune (rep) this morning says: "The election of Tuesday, in the opinion of politicians of both parties, settled two things: It gives the presidential nomination of 1904 to Theodore Roosevelt, and the identity of the democrat who will make the battle against Roosevelt was practically settled by the ballots cast, they naming David B. Hill, of New York, the logical candidate. The last vestige of silverism and Bryanism was swept out of existence when Colorado, Montana and possibly Nevada went republican. It was his inability to swallow this doctrine that brought Mr. Hill into disfavor with the democrats of the West, and his opposition to the support of the silver plank by Tammany caused the estrangement between himself and the Tammany leaders."

Surprising Developments. Boston, Nov. 6.—Chief Inspector Watts has recovered the gold watch of Clara Morton, the McLean hospital domestic who was murdered Saturday evening, and the chief and a number of inspectors and officers scoured every part of Boston and Cambridge last night, searching for the man who pawned the watch. This man is a negro, about 21 years old, and Chief Watts believes that he murdered Miss Morton, and that Alan G. Mason, who is now held in Middlesex jail, without bail, is innocent. The developments of late yesterday afternoon and last night are the most surprising of any yet thus far in the case. Chief Watts learned from the pawnbroker that the watch was pawned at his shop Tuesday afternoon.

Mistook the Stranger's Intent. Vienna, Nov. 6.—The Tagblatt today explains the last reported "attempt" on the Sultan's life. According to the paper, a stranger named Hussein was walking within the boundaries of the palace when he saw the Sultan approaching and shouted: "Long live Abdul!" The Sultan, terrified, mistook the stranger's intent, and signed to his bodyguard to fall the man who was nearly beaten to death before his lunaticness was recognized. Hussein was taken to a hospital where it is said his recovery is doubtful.

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ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette: I have observed with great interest, the discussions which have from time to time taken place in Council regarding the introduction of electric lighting in Alexandria, and hope they will eventually lead to results, which will at least, place us upon equality, in this respect, with some of our less pretentious neighbors, such as Warrenton, Leesburg, Front Royal, Fredericksburg, Charlottesville, etc.

It seems that the principal objection to the use of electricity for lighting purposes, is that the city owns the gas works. Assuming this to be a sound doctrine, the experience of other cities, similarly situated, shows that the introduction of electric lighting has been an advantage to the municipality rather than a detriment.

The city of Richmond affords an interesting object lesson. That city owns and operates its gas works. Finding it inexpedient to install an electric lighting plant of its own, and believing it detrimental to the public good to deny its citizens the use of electric light and power, it has permitted two private companies to compete, not only one with the other, but both with the gas works.

In order to ascertain exactly what effect this condition has had upon the gas consumption in that city, the writer addressed a letter to the superintendent asking for a copy of his last annual report showing an increase in gas sold consumers of 10,384,511 cubic feet, as compared with the preceding year. This can be explained by the natural growth of the gas plant, and the fact that a very large percentage of the incandescent electric lights are used for advertising and decorative purposes, a field in which gas is not a competitor. Anyone doubting this let him observe Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, at night.

While Council is endeavoring to restrict citizens to the use of gas by imposing a penalty upon the use of electricity, we must not lose sight of the fact that during the past few years some of our largest business establishments, finding electricity more desirable for their particular use, have installed their own lighting plants, depriving the city of a considerable revenue that it might have otherwise retained, in part at least. The Southern Railway, I am told, formerly paid the city about fifteen-hundred dollars per annum for light, a sum alone sufficient to pay the interest upon a \$30,000 electric plant.

Another consideration in this connection, is that many of our new manufacturing establishments would use electric power for operating their machinery were it available. In fact this is the most remunerative service of an electric plant, as the demand is practically continuous during the day, while the lighting period covers only a few hours.

Council should certainly give this matter more serious consideration than it has received. If it is impracticable for the city to construct a proper lighting plant, let it be done by a private company who shall pay the city a portion of its receipts, and have it specified in the franchise that the city reserves the right to purchase the plant at any time it may see fit. At any rate, let us have light.

CHAS. F. THOMPSON.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The authorities of Berlin University have begun a campaign against the admission of Russian students, of nihilistic tendency into the institutions. The Russian police will aid by giving all information at their command.

A London dispatch says that while it is true Lord Milner may leave his post as Governor of Cape Colony in the middle of 1903, he will not succeed Lord Curzon as Viceroy of India, as reported. Curzon will serve his full term in India.

Part of the striking miners at Bicramaux, and Lorie, resumed work this morning. The feeling of discontent with the results of the arbitration between the strike leaders and the mine owners, however, has not by any means disappeared.

The discussions among the members of the Portuguese cabinet over the finance question continue. Affairs have reached such a stage that it is likely, when the King returns from his visit to England, that the ministry will be reconstructed.

The Pope when informed of the definite results of the elections in New York, and else in the United States, said: "The increasing fervor of the electoral struggles in the United States has no parallel. It proves the virility of the progress in America."

Correspondence is passing between Japan and England with regard to the status of the powers in Korea. Japan is urging that England and America, especially, cannot afford to ignore Russia's growing influence in Korea, and the question should be settled finally and at once.

A riot was caused in the Austrian Reichsrath this afternoon by Czechs, Pan-Germans, and socialists, who objected to a ruling of the president, and showed their opposition by storming the president's tribune, tearing his papers, shaking their fists in his face, and abusing him generally.

The correspondent of the Irish Independent of Dublin, who last week asserted that King Edward would visit Ireland in April, today reports his statement and adds: "Indeed, I am given to understand that Ireland is at the dawn of a new era, and new spirit will be introduced into the administration of the country. King Edward is now displaying keen personal interest in Irish affairs."

The Vienna Naprapod today reports that a revolutionist attempted to assassinate Prince Matthew Radziwill, the Russian Polish magnate of Warsaw. The Prince, clad with the assistant, wounded him and then jumped into a carriage and escaped.

Monetary and Commercial.

New York, Nov. 6.—The stock market opened firm and active. During the first hour the feature was irregularity. There were extreme advances of a half to 1 per cent. but a reaction caused some stocks to lose all the gain. After 11 a. m. the market took a fresh up turn which was attended by an increase in the volume of dealings.

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