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WEATHER REPORT.

Fair tonight and Wednesday; somewhat lower temperature.

Sun and Tide Table.
High Tide 11:08 a.m. and 1:28 p.m. Sun rises 7:51 a.m. and sets 5:27 p.m.

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WHITELAW REID'S DINNER AND DANCE

New York's "Two Hundred" Commanded to be on Hand Tonight—Preparing For Event.

NEW ARISTOCRACY IN CITY.

Safe Deposit Vaults to Yield Jewels to be Flashed at Reception at Duke of Connaught and Family.

New York, Jan. 23.—New York's "two hundred" "commanded" to appear at Ambassador Reid's mansion tonight to dine with the Duke of Connaught, his wife, the Duchess, and their daughter, Princess "Pat," spent most of today preparing for the dinner dance that will establish a new aristocracy in New York's fashionable set.

All day long fashionable equipages filled Fifth Avenue, dropping mildly at her hair dresser's, while lady's private secretary, accompanied by a private detective journeyed down town to take from the safe deposit vaults the rare diamonds and pearls that will deck her corsage at tonight's feast to royalty. It was declared today that the rarest collection of gems ever seen in New York would be on exhibition tonight at the Reid's dinner dance.

To hold back the expected crowd of curious, Commissioner Waldo today ordered a large squad of policemen tonight around the Reid town house, in upper Madison avenue, where the function will be held.

Ambassador Reid today declined to furnish the press with the list "commanded" to appear tonight, as he insists the dinner was a "private" affair.

With much gnashing of teeth, "society" was today forced to admit that by her coup in entertaining royalty for four days, Mrs. Whitelaw Reid becomes the leading claimant of the late Mrs. Astor's mantle of leadership.

REV. MR. STRINGFELLOW'S LECTURE.

Below is printed part of a letter from Hon. Jefferson Davis (late President of the Confederate States) to Rev. Frank Stringfellow:

Beauvoir, Harrison County, Miss., March 28th, 1880.
Rev. Frank Stringfellow,
My Dear Sir,—Gen'l R. E. Lee once related to me a remarkable event which occurred to you when you went into the Yankee lines to collect information as to their force and position. He narrated the incident to sustain a very high encomium he passed upon your courage. I have spoken of the matter several times, and would be glad to have you an exact statement of the affair. As you had so many such adventures, I will indicate the particular one to which I refer. The incident was so extraordinary, and exhibited such self-possession and unflinching courage that I can only account for your omitting it by your reluctance to claim the credit which is due you. This reserve I hope to overcome by the foregoing request.

Ever truly your friend,
JEFFERSON DAVIS.
Mr. Stringfellow will deliver a lecture in the Parish Hall of Christ Church tonight at 8 o'clock. Many of Mr. Stringfellow's most thrilling experiences took place in Alexandria, Washington and in Fairfax county and the country surrounding Alexandria. The ranks of those who actually participated in the stirring events of the civil war are rapidly thinning, and this unusual opportunity to hear from his own lips the thrilling story of so many daring deeds enacted by General Lee's famous scout, should not be missed by any.

Manassas May Issue Bonds.

Manassas, Va., Jan. 23.—A movement has been started by the Manassas Business League to secure light and water improvements for the town. At a meeting of the league held Friday evening it was decided to poll a straw vote of the qualified voters on the question of issuing \$75,000 bonds for lights, water and sewers. It is found that a majority of the citizens favor such a bond issue the council will be asked to take immediate action looking towards an early election to decide the question.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

R. F. Knox, Auctioneer.
On Saturday, January 27, 1912, 11 a. m. at 124 south Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, I will sell the personal effects of the late Blanche B. Berkley, consisting of bed room set, a few pieces of inexpensive jewelry, &c. Terms cash.
J. K. M. NORTON, Administrator.
Jan 22 '12

TROUBLE BETWEEN FRANCE AND ITALY

Paris, Jan. 23.—The cabinet again was called into session today to discuss the crisis growing out of the seizure of 29 members of the Turkish Red Cross aboard the steamer Manouba. Government officials were generally convinced that the matter could not be submitted to The Hague Tribunal, for a reason, unless the Turkish nurses are turned over to France.

The entire country is applauding Premier Poincaré's stand, and the newspapers today asked what action France will take if Italy refuses to give up the Turks. The Austerin, in an editorial, stated significantly: "We trust that the government is prepared for any eventualities," while the Matin and other papers hinted that a clash with Italy was not improbable.

Ambassador from Italy Tittoni today gave out a statement repudiating an interview accredited to him, in which he was alleged to have upheld the right of his government to seize the Turks.

Trouble in The Spanish Cabinet

Madrid, Jan. 23.—Announcement was made today that Premier Canalejas and the members of his cabinet would tender their resignations to the king. The decision to resign it believed to have been brought about by the bitter opposition to Canalejas by the Radicals, Republicans and Socialists who had been negotiating with the Liberal Democrats to join them in opposing the government.

Canalejas presented his resignation to the king last week. After Alfonso had commuted the death sentence of a rioter in opposition to the recommendation of the premier, he was persuaded later to remain at his post.

A report was current today that Antonio Maura, who was Prime Minister at the time Prof. Ferrer was executed, and who was forced to resign because of the hostility aroused by the Socialist leader's fate, would be named to succeed Canalejas.

ROOSEVELT'S NAME HISSED.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 23.—Despite efforts on the part of those in charge of Amherst's annual dinner at the Hotel Somerset last night to prevail on newspaper men "not to mention an unfortunate incident it became known today that hisses greeted the mention of Col. Roosevelt's name in a speech by Lawrence Abbott, Amherst '81, president of the Outlook, of which the ex-President is a contributing editor. Abbott was illustrating the "Amherst Idea" when he said:

"May I venture to add one thing in conclusion. I want to take an actual case which illustrates the Amherst idea by referring to a man who heartily believes in it, and who has successfully practiced it for 30 years. "Last autumn I should hardly have dared to mention his name at a public dinner; I think I may do so safely now. The man I mean is Theodore Roosevelt."

It was at this point that the speaker was interrupted from far corners of the room by hisses, which were soon drowned by applause.

Militia Allowance will be Increased.

Richmond, Jan. 23.—To encourage better attendance at the State encampments, the State Military Board has decided to change the basis of allowance to companies composing the State militia. Pay allowed heretofore according to the number of men present at inspections in their home towns will be calculated in future on the number in camp. This, the board thinks, will do more to stimulate attendance than court-martial for non-attendance.

Morse Improving.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 23.—Marked improvement in the condition of Charles W. Morse, the banker, whose sentence in Atlanta penitentiary was recently commuted by President Taft because the prisoner was apparently dying, today led physicians to predict that the former ice king might be moved from Fort McPherson Hospital within the next few days.

Morse has steadily grown stronger since news of President Taft's clemency was brought to him.

THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Mathers-Lamm Paper Company, Incorporated, will be held at the office of the company, 111 S. Fairfax street, Alexandria, Virginia, at 12 o'clock, Tuesday, February 20, 1912, to elect directors for the ensuing year, and to transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
ISAAC L. LAMM, Secretary.

SOCIALISM IN THE REICHSTAG

Party Has 110 Seats and Strongest on Floor—Another Election Thursday.

OFFICIALDOM IS DEPRESSED

Party Wins in 27 Districts—Loses Kaiser's By Seven Votes—Expect to Win in Other Places.

Berlin, Jan. 23.—Announcement was made at Socialist headquarters late today that they would claim the presidency of the Reichstag if they continued to make gains at the final ballot election on Thursday. The conservative-Centrist coalition is almost sure to be outnumbered by the Socialists and the other parties of the left, and a bitter fight will result when the house is organized.

It was charged here today that in order to carry the Kaiser's district for the radical candidate yesterday, sixty convalescents, with the consent of their physicians, were taken from his hospitals to the polls and permitted to vote while lying on stretchers.

Berlin, Jan. 23.—Socialism has triumphed in Germany. When the call for the convening of the new Reichstag was issued today, directing that body to assemble on Feb. 7, it was certain that the Socialist organization would be the strongest party on the floor with a membership of not less than 110.

German officialdom was greatly depressed today because of the triumph of the workers. While it was expected that the Socialists would make gains, none of the leading officials believed they could sweep everything before them as they did. Today the conservatives fear that through a combination with the Liberals and members of the Left, they will control legislation.

The Socialists raised their membership in the incoming Reichstag yesterday to 99, carrying their candidate through to victory in 27 districts and losing the Kaiser's own district by only seven votes. The party leaders openly said that the strongest influences the Kaiser could bring were used to ensure Herr Kempf, the Radical selection, by this small plurality. In Cologne, the Catholic Center stronghold, the Socialists elected one member.

Thirty-three districts will vote on Thursday, and if the Socialists are as successful as they hope to be, they will be able to make a combination with the Radicals and Liberals and dominate all legislation in the future.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

At a recent meeting of elders and deacons of the Second Presbyterian Church Messrs Uhler, Latham and Kennedy, elders, and Messrs. Stansbury, Melchior and Moore, deacons, were appointed a committee to consider plans and specifications for the new Sunday School building to be constructed on the northeast corner of Prince and St. Asaph streets.

Mrs. Emma Mudd, fifty years old died late yesterday afternoon at her home, 529 south Alfred street. The deceased was the wife of Zedekiah Mudd, and besides her husband she is survived by several children.

The Elks held their regular meeting last night at which a number of routine matters were considered.

A bullet from a pistol passed through the window of the library of the residence of Captain Herbert Bryant, on north Washington street, last Saturday night. The police are endeavoring to identify the person who discharged the weapon.

John Stockton who had many friends in Alexandria, died in Richmond yesterday morning.

A meeting of the city republican committee will be held at 8 o'clock tonight at the Hotel Rammel to select delegates to the Eighth Congressional district republican convention, which will be held at the Elks Home on February 12.

Mrs. Virginia O. Pullman, widow of the late Peter Pullman, died this morning at ten thirty at the residence of C. O. Pullman in Fairfax County in the fiftieth year of her age.

When given as soon as the croupy cough appears Chamberlain's Cough Remedy will ward off an attack of croup and prevent all danger and cause of anxiety. Thousands of mothers use it successfully. Sold by W. F. Creighton and Richard Gibson.

DISTRICT LINES

Only Three Changes Likely to be Made by Legislature.

Richmond, Jan. 23.—Very few changes will be made in the apportionment of Virginia counties and cities among congressional districts, and the few lights which have developed will, it is expected, be quickly disposed of. This situation is the result of conference held yesterday afternoon by members from districts as they now stand, together with representatives of the various counties who came to Richmond for the purpose.

The ease with which these people got together was a source of great surprise. The Senate and House committees on Privileges and Elections had arranged for a series of joint hearings which were to have dragged along yesterday afternoon and last night, this afternoon and night, and Thursday afternoon and night. Hours of speech-making had been expected. Yet when the committees rose at 6 o'clock last evening all the few contentions had been heard from, and the adjournment was taken to 4 o'clock Thursday afternoon, with the expectation that at that time the whole matter will be settled within fifteen minutes and that the committees will forthwith report the Bowman bill of a committee substitute.

MRS. BUCKLER GIVES MUSICALS.

Mrs. George Buckler, of Braddock Heights, gave a musicale Saturday evening which was more than ordinarily interesting. The programme was given by well-known artists from Washington. It was as follows, in charge of Mr. W. S. Hutchinson: Piano solo, Miss Edna E. Buckler and Dr. W. W. Eldridge; vocal solo, Mrs. Mae Buckler Eldridge; reading, Mrs. W. S. Hutchinson; vocal solo, Dr. Davis; mandolin solo, Mr. Gerald Downs; vocal solo, Miss Lillian Lewis; piano solo, Mr. Ed Connor; recitation, Miss Marion Duncau; vocal solo, Mr. Elwood Berkeley; reading, Mrs. George Buckler; vocal duet, Mrs. Mae Buckler Eldridge and Miss Edna T. Buckler; vocal solo, Miss Lewis; selections, Mr. W. S. Hutchinson; violin solo, Mr. W. G. Hill; vocal solo, Mrs. Mae Buckler Eldridge; finale, "Dixie" (quartette)—Mrs. Mae Buckler Eldridge, soprano; Mr. Edward Berkeley, tenor; Miss Edna Buckler, alto, and Dr. Davis, bass.

Mrs. Buckler wore a handsome gown of black satin trimmed with cut jet. Among the guests were Dr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott Mott of New York; representative J. Adam Bode; Paymaster E. C. Little of the Mayflower; Hon. and Mrs. J. W. Connor, of Knoxville, Tenn.; Mr. T. F. Connor, Miss Lindsey, Miss Marion Lindsey, Messrs. Wallace and Douglas Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. David Rust and Miss Lucy Rust. Rev. Theodore Wall, Rev. Carleton Barwell, Mr. and Mrs. Overton W. Price, Miss Marion Duncau and Miss Ruth Nash, of National Park Seminary; Mr. and Mrs. W. Briggs, Mr. Walter Lockwood, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Minnie, Mrs. Mrs. Emma Clark-Jones, the Cairo; Mr. N. Downs and Mrs. Gerald Downs, Mr. and Mrs. Dickie, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Connor, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Louis, of New York; Mrs. N. H. Luttrell, Miss Pearl Luttrell, Miss Clara Luttrell, Mr. Cronkite; Miss Helen Eldridge and Mr. Garnet Loeffler, Dr. John Sherwood, U. S. A.; Dr. John Waring, U. S. A.; Mr. J. Edwin Minnix, and Miss Katherine Minnix.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

At the annual meeting of stockholders of the Iris Realty Company, Inc., held at Rammel's Hotel last night, officers were elected as follows: Edward O. Castell, president; Walter T. Polin, vice president; Albert Whitworth, secretary; Seymour M. Jones, treasurer; John B. Schommer, attorney; Dr. F. F. Repetti, S. S. Soverbutts, Robert F. Bradbury, Dr. T. J. Rosseter, Maurice P. Walsh and Berkeley Inge, directors. The meeting was followed by a banquet.

THE WEATHER AND THE RIVER.

The mild weather of the past few days has had no appreciable effect upon the river. Its bosom is still silent and immovable. The Norfolk steamers still make daily trips to and from that port, but after they pass and repass the track closes behind them. These steamers break their way through thick ice from Cedar Point to Alexandria. They also encounter much floating ice in the Kettle Bottoms.

suicide of a Student.

New Richmond, Wisconsin, Jan. 23.—Leaping from a second story window of the St. Croix County Asylum, Floyd Wright, 30, was traced by blood to a field one mile away where his nude body was found frozen stiff. Wright was a former theological student at Hamlin University. His mind gave way under constant application to his work and it was necessary to confine him in an asylum.

YUAN SHI KAI ABANDONS HOPE

Peace Not to be Secured (Without More Bloodshed—War to be Continued.

SUN AND WU HAVE TROUBLE.

Yin Tcha-sig, Loyalist Wants Conflict Renewed at Once and all Chinamen in Peking Slain.

Shanghai, Jan. 23.—Hope of peace in China without further bloodshed was practically abandoned today when it was learned that a serious breach existed between President Sun Yat Sen and Minister of Justice, Wu Ting Fang, who has been carrying on the negotiations with the imperial government. The break now threatens to result in Dr. Wu's resignation from the cabinet.

Dr. Wu became convinced that a skilled executive should administer the affairs of China while the provisional government was in power, and planned to have Dr. Sun Yat Sen resign as soon as the emperor abdicated. Yuan Shi Kai was to become head of the government until after a national convention could be held to select a permanent ruler.

Yuan had agreed to this program, but President Sun today refused to resign, and the negotiations with the premier were broken off.

Dr. Wu announced today that he was still trying to win President Sun over to his way of thinking, but that there was little hope of success. He believes that a crisis is at hand, and unless the affairs of China are speedily disentangled, foreign intervention may result. He has threatened to resign if necessary to avoid any personal responsibility for a renewal of the war.

Advices from Nankin late today said that Dr. Sun was convinced the throne intended to continue the struggle against the republicans, and that he might order a renewal of hostilities at any time.

London, Jan. 23.—Yuan Shi Kai today abandoned all hope of straightening out the affairs of China, and turned the government over to the throne, according to a dispatch from Tien Tsin to the Exchange Telegraph.

According to the dispatch Yuan has been succeeded by Gen. Yin Tcha-han, a loyalist of the most pronounced type, who was accredited a few days ago with recommending the slaughter of all Chinese in Peking. Yin Tcha-han is reported to have recommended a resumption of the war at once.

Peking, Jan. 23.—Feverish preparations were made in Peking today for a resumption of the struggle against the republicans, following an announcement from the royal family that the treasures of the Mukden palace would be sold to raise money to finance the campaign.

It was announced that \$14,000,000 could be raised by a sale of the treasures even if they were disposed of at a sacrifice. Prince Chung informed the imperial council that he can raise 5,000 additional soldiers at once.

Special inducements were held out to secure recruits and several hundred Manchus volunteered today. A report was circulated that a large detachment of troops would be sent to join Gen. Chang Hsun's army in the south before the end of the week, and that an expedition would be sent against Nankin, the republican capital.

There was the greatest activity at the War Department, and it was evident that the officials expected a resumption of the war within a short time. Yuan Shi Kai is believed to be in imminent danger of losing his head. He has not shown himself in public for more than 24 hours, and it was believed today that he had secreted himself at the home of his friends.

Washington, Jan. 23.—State Department dispatches from Peking, received today, report that the prospect of an agreement between the revolutionists and the imperialists is steadily growing less. Much excitement is reported in Peking, but little fear of anti-foreign outbreaks exists.

The dispatches confirm the report of the denunciation of Prince Ching, the former premier, for favoring abdication, and announced the decision of the Manchus to leave the form of government to a national convention.

KILLED IN COLLISION

Binghamton, N. Y., Jan. 23.—Two men were so badly injured that they died shortly afterward in a local hospital and a dozen others were hurt, one a woman, probably fatally, when a passenger train on the Syracuse division of the Lackawanna Railroad crashed into the rear of a Utica division train which was standing at the Chenango Forks station. All of the injured were in the private car of the Vogel Minstrel Company, which was being hauled from Norwich to Waverly, N. Y. The dead:

H. C. Hayes, Indianapolis, Ind.
George P. Koeley, Claremont, N. Y. Probably fatally hurt.
Mrs. Vogel, wife of the proprietor of the Minstrel show.

The private car was cut in two and all of the occupants were penned in their berths, and scalded by escaping steam and hot water, until dug out by the train crew. They were hurried in a special train to the General hospital, where Hayes and Keely afterward died. Mrs. Vogel was said to be in a critical condition and three other minstrels were reported in a serious condition through having inhaled steam.

The wreck is believed to have been caused either by a misunderstanding of orders or the block signals failing to work and a searching investigation to determine the responsibility was ordered by the Public Service Commission.

Orangemen to Prevent Meeting

Belfast, Jan. 23.—By a clever ruse, it was learned today, the Orangemen will be able to prevent the big home rule meeting here on February 8, at which John Redmond, Winston Churchill and other prominent men will speak.

Today the Belfast authorities leased Ulster Hall to the Orangemen for an anti-home rule demonstration on February 7, and it is regarded as certain that the opponents of Home Rule will "hold the fort" all night and until late on February 8, preventing the meeting which the advocates of self-government for Ireland had planned.

It was believed here today that by this coup, the Orangemen had successfully thwarted the Home Rule meeting, and probably avoided a situation which would have ended in bloodshed.

POLICE COURT.

(Justice H. B. Caton presiding.)

The following cases were disposed of this morning:

William Wilkinson, colored, charged with disorderly conduct on an electric train, was held for the action of the Alexandria county authorities.

Susie Conell, charged with being drunk on the street, forfeited her collateral by failing to appear.

Elmo Harris, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, forfeited his collateral by failing to appear.

Fannie Dates, colored, charged with disorderly conduct, was fined \$2.50.

John Stamp, colored, charged with assaulting Mary Stamp, was dismissed, the complainant failing to appear.

William Washington, colored, charged with assaulting Ella Grinnell, was fined \$10.

A white man, charged with disorderly conduct, had his case continued.

Democratic Caucus

Washington, Jan. 23.—A call for a meeting of the democratic members of the house was issued today by Representative Bell (democrat Ga.) The caucus will meet at 4:30 this afternoon for the consideration of the iron and steel bill which reduces from 50 to 50 per cent the tariff duties on these commodities as stipulated in the Payne-Aldrich law.

Drugged and Beaten.

New York, Jan. 23.—Drugged and beaten, an unidentified man who carried unset gems valued at \$1,500 in his pockets, fell unconscious on the sidewalk on West Twenty-seventh street today. He was picked up by a patrolman and sent to the hospital.

At noon he was still unconscious. Three receipts for diamonds signed by John D. Cook, 214 West 154th street were found in his pockets in addition to 108 diamonds, rubies and emeralds, all of which were wrapped in tissue paper. The police believe that an attempt was made to rob him; that he succeeded in beating off his assailants and made his way to the street. He is supposed to be a jewelry broker.

Coxswain Drowned.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 23.—Carl G. Johnson, a coxswain of battleship Indiana, was drowned last night while skating in the back channel at the Philadelphia navy yard. His body was recovered by a searching party today. The drowned man was 31 years old.

SAY DYNAMITE WAS PLANTED.

Judge Mahoney Endeavoring to Identify Persons Who Placed Explosives Where Found.

THE LEADERS IN CONFERENCE.

No General Strike to be Ordered as Those Who Are at Work Will be Expected to Continue Contributions.

Lawrence, Mass., Jan. 23.—"It is an unusual course for me to comment on criminal cases, but there are indications to show that the men and women arrested charged with having cached dynamite in this city are innocent victims of a plot and dupes of some persons interested in maintaining a reign of terror in this city."

This declaration from the bench by Judge J. J. Mahoney, presiding at the hearing of the eight persons arrested by City police on the "rip" of private detectives, as dynamiters, has stirred this city. Ever since the evidence against the accused has been known, the belief has been growing that the strikers had nothing to do with bringing in the dynamite. Members of the State Police openly assert that it was brought here by the private detectives.

It is expected that, when the hearing against the accused men and women is resumed by Judge Mahoney next week, he will try to develop where the explosive came from, and who actually "planted" it. The strike has settled down to an endurance contest, following the refusal of the strikers to treat with the mill owners except as a union.

Following a general conference of the strike leaders today it was decided not to order a general mill strike throughout New England. It was agreed that in order to win the strike it was necessary to get financial support, and to get it it is necessary for the operatives in the other mill towns who are the strikers' chief source of revenue, to continue at work.

The big Arlington Mills, largest in the city, shut down today because it could not secure workers. The owners announce they are willing to arbitrate if the State Board of Arbitration is chosen as the medium. Heretofore the Arlington Company has said there "was nothing to arbitrate."

Merchant Commits Suicide.

Chicago, Jan. 23.—Frederick H. Weaver, 35, a member of the Chicago Board of Trade firm of Buckley and Company, committed suicide early today in a small park near his home in Evanston. The suicide is attributed to a nervous breakdown following close attention to business.

Drank Himself to Death on Bet.

New York, Jan. 23.—To win a bet that he could drink two quarts of whiskey at one sitting Peter Zesza swallowed one quart in fifteen minutes, fell unconscious and died.

Fire in an Orphanage.

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 23.—One hundred children, inmates of the Roman Catholic Orphanage at Nazareth, near here, escaped uninjured early today in a fire that burned to the ground a dormitory, school building and an auditorium, entailing a loss of nearly \$20,000, only partially covered by insurance.

Monument to "Christ the Victor."

Rome, Jan. 23.—An immense monument to "Christ the Victor" it was learned at the Vatican today will probably be erected here to commemorate the 1,600th anniversary of Emperor Constantine's Acceptance of Christianity as the official religion of the world. It is planned to solicit subscriptions from Catholics all over the world.

Come and See

American Girl Tableaux

Young People's Building, Friday, January 26th, 1912, 8 p. m.

for benefit of Presbyterian Building fund.

Admission 25c