

Following was the range of the thermometer at The Times office yesterday: 5 A. M., 30; 12 M., 28; 3 P. M., 26; 6 P. M., 24; 9 P. M., 22; 12 M., 20; average temperature, 25.75.

INVESTIGATION OF CLARK CASE

Before Senate Committee on Elections.

USE OF MONEY USUAL.

Clark Stated to Witness That It Was Customary Procedure.

HE CITED THE CASE OF HANNA.

When this testimony was concluded it was announced that no more witnesses would be examined before next Wednesday. The committee then adjourned.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections to-day continued the investigation of charges against Senator Clark of Missouri.

M. L. Hewitt, a witness, testified that he had seen the Senator at the residence of the late Senator Hanna in Helena during the session of the Legislature in 1898. He stated that he had seen the Senator at the residence of the late Senator Hanna in Helena during the session of the Legislature in 1898.

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The witness said he had seen the Senator at his room at the Helena Hotel a short time after the Whiteites exposure and had asked him what he proposed to do, when the Senator had replied: "There is only one thing to do and that is to make the people believe that the Daily News has furnished the money and have put up a conspiracy against us."

USUAL PROCEDURE.

Mr. Jackson said he had declined, and that Clark had then proceeded to the point, saying that all scandals of that character soon die out, and that the custom of men of wealth to spend money to secure election to the Senate was usual procedure.

BRYAN SPEAKS.

Addressed the students of Missouri University.

COLUMBIA, MO., Jan. 12.—Colonel Wm. J. Bryan addressed the students of Missouri University here to-night in the college chapel before an audience that taxed the auditorium to its utmost.

When asked regarding the report that he had changed his views on the matter of free wool importation and had asserted that in behalf of western dealers and manufacturers he would, if elected, President, favor a tariff on wool, Mr. Bryan stated most emphatically that he had made no statement whatever to the effect that he had changed his former views on the question.

BRYAN AND EXPANSION.

Explains More Fully His Minneapolis Interview.

KANSAS CITY, MO., Jan. 13.—William J. Bryan passed through Kansas City to-day for Columbia, Mo. Asked about his Minneapolis interview, in which he was reported as expressing views favorable to certain forms of expansion, Mr. Bryan said:

"I have for one year been discussing imperialism, and I have tried to distinguish between such an extension of the nation's limits as would not change the character of the government, and an expansion which converts a homogeneous Republic into a heterogeneous empire. When the annexation of any given terri-

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IS JUSTIFIABLE, THE ONLY QUESTION BEING WHETHER SENOR MORA SHOULD NOT BE PROSECUTED.

The people, especially the lawyers, have begun to realize the fact that men who have been allowed to be in prison for years and months have been brought to trial only to be acquitted.

There are many similar cases, investigation of which will show if nothing worse, culpable negligence and absolute inattention to the duties of the office.

CRUSHED BENEATH THE WHEELS

Mr. Mark S. Armstrong's Leg and Arm Cut Off.

Mr. Mark S. Armstrong, of 630 Holly street, came near being crushed into an unrecognizable mass by a Chesapeake & Ohio locomotive, at the Second-street crossing, last night.

Mr. Armstrong got into a difficulty with two men, who were at the shops, and a fight ensued, in which Mr. Armstrong was being badly beaten. He pleaded for help, but the two unknown men continued to land heavy blows on him.

He decided to run from his assailants and in doing so he ran across a switch in front of an approaching locomotive and was badly mangled. His right leg and right arm were smashed off. He was otherwise bruised about the body.

The ambulance, with Dr. J. H. Goode in charge, was called, and the Doctor saw at once that amputation was necessary to save the man's life. He was taken to the Almshouse, where Dr. G. B. Trevelyan, Frank M. Cunningham, and J. H. Goode amputated the leg and arm.

At 2:30 o'clock this morning Mr. Armstrong was suffering very much, and it was thought he would die before daylight. He is now in a hospital, but it is believed that he will not survive.

NEWSPAPER MEN SHOT.

By a Prominent Officer—Cause of it a Trouble Not Known.

DENVER, COLO., Jan. 12.—Frederick G. Bonifis and H. H. Tammen, proprietors of the Evening Post, were both shot in the office at noon to-day by W. W. Anderson, a prominent local attorney.

It is not believed that either was mortally injured. Both were able to walk to carriages that carried them home.

After the shooting Anderson walked out of the office unharmed, but later was arrested. The exact cause of the shooting is not known.

Anderson went to the editorial rooms of the Post, and entered the office of Bonifis and Tammen. He fired at them from a distance of about 100 feet.

Anderson was arrested by the police. He is now in the city jail. The cause of the shooting is still a mystery.

AMERICAN GOODS.

Those Aboard Dutch Vessel Maria are Released.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Secretary of State Hay said to-day that the British government had released the American goods on the Dutch vessel Maria, and that they were now on their way to New York.

The goods consist of flour and other provisions. The English authorities seized the goods as contraband of war, intended for the use of the Transvaal troops.

This seizure was made the subject of diplomatic discussion between this government and Great Britain.

TOBACCONISTS WANT IT.

Lynchburg Association Approve Jim Crow Car Bill.

LYNCHBURG, VA., Jan. 12.—Specialists of the Tobacco Association here to-day approved the "Jim Crow" bill, and urging its passage by the Legislature.

The bill is a measure to prevent the importation of foreign tobacco into the United States.

The association is composed of tobacco growers and manufacturers in the Lynchburg area.

THE WRECKED STEAMER.

The Name of the Ill-Fated Vessel Still Remains a Mystery.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Jan. 12.—The name of the vessel wrecked and on fire in a reef in St. Mary's Bay, is still unknown.

The weather continued rough to-day, and the fisher folk were unable to get out. The vessel was probably submerged, and her hull is badly battered.

There is a noticeable improvement in the weather to-night, however, and it is believed that it will be possible to get full news to-morrow.

At present the sea is breaking over the ship and running mountain high against the rocks.

Muck wreckage is strewn along the strand, and many bodies, some of them dismembered, are visible. Portions of the boats remain hooked to the blocks, and signs are taken to indicate that the boats were swamped in lowering, and that their crews perished. Most of the bodies are only half clothed.

The wind is now off the land, and the wrecking is not coming ashore. Therefore, no knowledge can be gained regarding the ship's cargo or her passengers, if she carried any.

A watch has been maintained along the cliff ever since the people got there, and flags are kept flying at night, and flags waving by day, as a signal to any boat's crew, which may have escaped. It is not considered likely, however, that any succeeded in getting away from the wreck.

Lifelines were erected to-day at likely points, to lower men down to-morrow, to recover the bodies washed up, and, if possible, to discover the name of the vessel from the wreck. Divers will be sent from here if it is found to be impossible to obtain the steamer's name by other means, but nobody now cares to act until instructions are received from the owners.

The recovery and burial of the dead bodies of the ship's company have been ordered by the Marine Department. The cruiser Flona, from Fortune Bay, should reach the scene of the wreck to-morrow. No reports have been received from any localities, whether wreckage, bodies or boats might be expected to drift.

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

Commission of Three Named to Study Taxation Problem.

HAVANA, Jan. 12.—Governor-General Wood on Monday named an order of three to study and report upon the problem of taxation throughout the entire island.

The removal of Senor Federico Mora, fiscal of the Supreme Court, continues the main topic of discussion in the city. All are apparently in agreement that the conclusion that the action of the Governor-General

VEIL UNLIFTED FROM SEAT OF WAR

Strictness of Censorship Redoubled.

RUMOR MONGERS BUSY

Latest Story is That Buller Has Again Suffered Defeat.

GENERAL FRENCH MAKES A MOVE

A Strong Force From His Command Advanced Under a Brisk Artillery Fire and Encamped at Slingersfontein on Boers' Eastern Flank—Outburst of Patriotism.

LONDON, Jan. 14 A. M.—The veil concealing the theatre of war from the anxious eyes of Great Britain and the rest of the world is still unlifted. It is impossible to doubt that this absolute closing of all the channels of information is due to the censorship of the strictness of which has been redoubled since the landing of Lord Roberts and Lord Kitchener, concerning whom nothing has transpired since the announcement of their arrival at Cape Town four days ago.

The War Office stated to-day that no further news from the front had been received and none from any other source has come to hand during the night.

As usual, when news is scarce the rumor mongers have been busy. The latest story floated was that intelligence had reached the headquarters of the Scots Guards that General Buller had again sustained a serious defeat. Inquiry at Wellington, however, showed that the rumor had not reached there. It was neither official nor in any form deserving of credence.

ITALIAN GOVERNMENT WANTS THE LYNCHERS PUNISHED.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The Italian government has signalled to the government of the United States in the polite and courteous method known to diplomacy, a wish that the persons guilty of lynching the five Italians at Talulah, La., should be punished.

Heretofore, in cases of the lynching of Italians, the matter has been compromised by the payment of an indemnity, but this does not meet the present demand of the Italian government.

As under the existing law the trial and prosecution of such cases as this is left entirely to the State authorities, the national government is well pleased to meet the request of the Italian government.

As an acute case of this embarrassing position, the President will probably make fresh recommendations to Congress urging the speedy passage of the pending bill intended to remove from the State courts jurisdiction in cases where persons claiming jurisdiction over the victims, and transferring jurisdiction over them to the Federal courts.

REPORT SHARP FIGHT.

Insurgents Made a Stand in Sudlon Mountains.

MANILA, Jan. 12 A. M.—Advices from Cebu report a sharp fight on January 8th between a battalion of the Nineteenth Infantry and a body of insurgents on the mountains.

The enemy was routed, the Americans capturing a smooth bore cannon, some rifles and destroying the fortifications. Four Americans were wounded.

The insurgent General Elogas, having established a rendezvous with one hundred men at Humalingan, province of Nueva Visaya, Captain Benson, with two troops of the Fourth Cavalry, was sent to disperse him. The insurgents were scattered, their horses were captured and the position was burned, the Americans sustaining no losses.

The American forces yesterday occupied the province of Cavite, capturing twenty insurgents, including a colonel.

TO LEAVE SILVER IN BACKGROUND

Effort to Have Bryan Make Trusts and Imperialism the Leading Issues in His Speeches.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—In connection with the approaching visit of William J. Bryan to New York, the Evening Post to-day says:

"It was learned to-day that great effort will be made to induce Mr. Bryan to speak, while here, on the lines indicated in recent interviews by Eliot Danforth, chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee—that is, to treat Imperialism and trusts as the main issues of the campaign, and avoid giving undue prominence to the 16 to 1 issue."

Mr. Bryan has made several speeches already on these lines, and it is believed that he can be induced to leave free silver in the background while he is in what is called "the enemy's country."

SEABOARD CONSOLIDATION.