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CURRENT TOPICS.

ONLY one man in 203 is over six feet in height.

BIG, GEN. GEORGE W. WEST is dead at Athol, Mass.

VOTING by machine is gaining in popularity in the east.

MARK TWAIN says Vienna is the wickedest city on earth.

ABOUT 4,000,000 bottles of pickles are consumed weekly in the United States.

The last issue of the London (Eng.) directory, it is said, weighs 11½ pounds.

ON an average 200 carrier pigeons are officially kept in every German fortress.

A LARGE cotton mill will be built at High Shoals water-power, near Harden, N. C.

BRITISH consuls are now required to send important trade reports and news by telegraph.

A LARGE silk mill is to be built at Roanoke Rapids, about four miles from Weldon, N. C.

NEARLY 2,000 commercial travelers lost their positions when the tobacco trust was formed.

LABOR strikes of a most serious character are prevalent at present in several European countries.

THE principal trade of Bradford, Eng., just now is said to be in mercerized cotton dress goods.

THE Wisconsin legislature has forbidden the use of living rooms for manufacturing purposes.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., has joined the list of cities where the trades unions will erect a labor temple.

QUEEN VICTORIA has seen every throne in the world vacated at least once, and some of them several times.

THE greatest number of suicides take place in the month of June and the fewest in the month of September.

ONLY four independent states remain in Africa. They are Abyssinia, Morocco, Liberia and the Orange Free State.

ALL the locomotives on the Santa Fe railroad in California are run with petroleum for fuel. It costs about the same as coal.

VERDI denies that he is writing a new opera. He says that "Falstaff" is his last work and that his labor in this world is over.

THE German government has nominated, and the president has accepted, Baron August von Bruck as consul at Havana for Germany.

BEGINNING July 1, the employees of the government printing office at Washington will receive 50 cents an hour, or \$4 per day of eight hours.

THE Italian government, for 27 years, has guaranteed to the pope an annual income of about \$175,000, which he has steadily refused to accept. The arrears of this annuity amount now to over \$2,000,000.

THE Company General of Manila, the largest cigar making concern in the world, employs over 10,000 hands and turns out every year 80,000,000 cigars, 40,000,000 cigarettes, and nearly 8,000 tons of cut tobacco.

ALONG the Adriatic sea swallows and other migratory birds are caught every year by the hundreds of thousands and eaten by the Italians, who spread nets, in which as many as 300 to 500 of the tired birds are caught at once.

THE most expensive hat on record cost \$1,500 in gold, and was presented to Gen. Grant while in Mexico in 1852. It is now on exhibition in the National museum in Washington—perhaps the finest Mexican sombrero that was ever made.

THE bill for the Bradley Martin dinner in New York for 80 persons footed up \$9,525, of which \$53 was olives, caviare, celery, radishes and bread, which shows that the Bradley Martins do not overlook the little luxuries to a dinner.

THE death penalty is rarely enforced in Germany, Austria, Denmark or Sweden. In New York 11 out of 12 murderers escape without any punishment, and in the United States only one murder in fifty suffers capital punishment.

MARRIED men, according to a German investigator, live longer than bachelors, and are less likely to become insane. Another argument for matrimony is found in the fact that there are 38 criminals among every 1,000 bachelors, while among married men the ratio is only 18 per 1,000.

Not the least interesting among the new occupations for women is that which has been opened at Vienna. There, in the "gayest city in the world," is a woman grave digger. She is the first professional woman grave digger in civilized Europe.

The microscope has revealed many wonders, among others that the common caterpillar has 4,000 muscles in his body, that the drone bee's eyes each contain 1,500 mirrors, and that the large, prominent eyes of the brilliant dragon flies are each furnished with 28,000 polished lenses.

A NEW alloy, containing a large quantity of aluminum, is a German invention to replace the ordinary type metal composed of lead, antimony and tin. Besides being non-poisonous, other advantages, such as the qualities of taking and giving off ink readily, are claimed for this alloy.

THE report of the Russian department of prisons shows that in the past two years the total number of persons banished to Siberia has been 20,056, of whom 894 were women.

"DILLY-DALLY UNTIL 30" is the watchword of a club of "bachelor girls" in Michigan. The members pledge themselves not to wed or even entertain proposals to marry till three decades have passed over their heads.

The original draft of the confederate constitution is in the possession of Longstreet Hill, of Athens, Ga. Mr. Hill is a grandson of Thomas R. Cobb, chairman of the committee which drew the document.

HEADQUARTERS REMOVAL.

Gen. Brooke Will Occupy the Palace Formerly Used by Gen. Blanco-Cubans Preparing a New List.

HAVANA, June 20.—Gen. Brooke's headquarters is already on the move from El Vedado to the palace, formerly occupied by Marshal Blanco, in Havana province. The removal will be completed, it is expected, before the close of the first week in July. It means a loss to El Vedado of many who now reside there, as they will move also to be near headquarters. City residents are gratified because of the inconvenient train service between Havana and El Vedado, and also because, at this season, the traveler is apt to be caught by the heavy rains.

Gen. Maximo Gomez has instructed Gen. Rafael Rodriguez, his chief of staff, to open an office at Quinta de los Molinos, and to begin the preparation of the new lists. The work was begun Monday. Gen. Rodriguez mailed personal notices and published in all the newspapers of the island instructions to divisions, corps, brigade, regimental and company commanders to send, as soon as possible, complete data—the names of all the men of their commands with the dates of their enlistment and the periods of service. The preparation of the lists will be pushed forward with all speed, because of the pitiable condition of the soldiery, virtually mobilized miles from home at the pay stations.

Some interesting discoveries have resulted from the observations made by the officials charged with studying the tidal currents in Havana harbor. All the observations show a constant outward flow, with only a sub-current of in-running fresh water. Owing to the shoals at the extreme west end of the harbor large deposits of mud and other filth have been made there, but it is believed that with proper dredging and an ordinary amount of attention the harbor can be made clear, thus doing away with the possibility of infection. Although salt is the natural disinfectant, it is not thought that much comes from the main current, although there is probably some from the shoals.

GANG OF MASKED ROBBERS.

They Hold Up the Receiver and Five Employees of a Traction Company's Office—Secured About \$4,000.

PHILADELPHIA, June 20.—A gang of masked robbers, probable ten in number, early Monday morning raided the receiving office of the Fairmount Park Transportation Co. at Belmont, in Fairmount Park, and after holding up the receiver and five other employees of the railway, blew open the safe, securing \$4,000, the company's receipts for two days. Frank Leavan, receiver, Frank Watson and Henry B. Whitehouse, conductors; James Cavanaugh, fireman, of the powerhouse; Philip Eaves, electrician, and William Cadmus, laborer, were bound hand and foot with wire. In addition to the men who actually committed the robbery, others operated miles away from the scene by destroying telegraph and telephone wires connecting with the trolley company's main office.

The Fairmount Park Transportation Co. operates various lines of trolley cars through the park for pleasure riders. The traffic being unusually heavy on Saturdays and Sundays, the robbers evidently decided upon Monday morning as being a good time to make a big haul.

The men above named were all in the office when the burglars made their appearance. Each intruder was armed with two revolvers and they took the employees completely by surprise. It was the work of a few moments for the robbers to pinion the workmen, who were rolled over to one side of the room, with their faces to the wall. Ten minutes later the safe had been cracked and the gang disappeared.

THE REVOLVER MISSED FIRE.

Prominent Business Man of Burr Oak, Mich., Attempts to Kill His Wife—Afterward Committed Suicide.

BURR OAK, Mich., June 20.—At the dinner table Monday night, John T. Holmes, a prominent business man, drew a revolver, pointed it at his wife and pulled the trigger. The weapon missed fire and he was speedily disarmed by his son. He then left the house and endeavored to jump into the river. When he was forcibly prevented from doing this, he went to the back yard where he commenced to act strangely. He denied having taken poison, but in a few minutes died in convulsions. Domestic troubles are believed to have made him temporarily insane. Dr. Holmes owned considerable property in Toledo.

Capt. Coghlan in Terre Haute.

ERRE HAUTE, Ind., June 20.—Capt. Joseph B. Coghlan, of the United States cruiser Raleigh, arrived in the city Monday afternoon. He was accompanied by his wife, whose home was formerly in this city. While here they will be the guests of their kinswoman, Mrs. J. H. O'Boyle, at whose residence a reception will be tendered them Monday evening. Capt. Coghlan is on his way to Puget sound and en route he and his wife will stop at St. Louis and Belleville, Ill., his former home.

Germ of Tuberculosis.

CHICAGO, June 20.—Germ of tuberculosis were found in every cow of a herd of 90 that were received at the stock yards Monday. The choicest of the lot in some instances were found to be the most pronounced victims of the disease. In the worst cases the pulmonary organs were one mass of tuberculosis bacilli. So great was the havoc played in many instances that the repository organs had lost many of their bovine characteristics. Many of the infected cows were from state institutions.

A CAR HELD UP BY A MOB.

Another Serious Riot at Cleveland—Women Assisted the Strikers—Dispersed by the Police.

CLEVELAND, O., June 20.—Up to 6 o'clock Monday afternoon this proved to be the most uneventful day of the big street railway strike. At 10 o'clock another serious riot broke out, an entirely new quarter and one man and woman was sent to the hospital as a consequence.

The company began Monday the operation of two new lines—those of Scoville and Central avenues. The cars were protected by policemen, and until afternoon no trouble occurred. Just before 4 o'clock two of the Scoville cars approached the crossing of the Pennsylvania railroad. There they were met by a mob of more than 2,000 men and women. One of the cars was taken across the railroad safely but the other was held up by the mob. A perfect shower of paving bricks and stones fell about the car and crashed against the vestibule at the front end, behind which the motorman was concealed. Women threw bricks and handed them to the men who were in the front of the crowd. The windows of the car had been lowered and the bricks crashed against the seats and fell upon the floor of the car. The conductor escaped injury, but the motorman, A. J. McGrew, of St. Louis, was struck on the head with a brick and rendered unconscious. He was taken to a hospital. The patrolman on the car was also hit with a brick, but was not seriously hurt. A call was made for the police, but when a detachment of officers arrived the mob had dispersed and no arrests were made.



COL. D. E. HENDERSON, Prospective Speaker of the House of Representatives.

THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS.

Every Man Attached to Dewey's Fleet During the Battle of Manila Will Receive a Congressional Medal.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—It is stated at the navy department that every man attached to the Olympia, Boston, Baltimore, Concord, Raleigh, Petrel and McCulloch during the battle in Manila harbor, regardless of rank or station, will receive a medal of honor. The McCulloch, which was a revenue cutter at the outbreak of the war, was transferred to the naval service and added to Adm. Dewey's fleet. She rendered efficient support in the brilliant engagement which culminated in the annihilation of the Spanish fleet, and also carried the first official news of Hong Kong. In view of these facts it was deemed proper that the officers and men of the McCulloch should share equally with the others in the distribution of the congressional medals, notwithstanding the fact that the McCulloch has since resumed her regular duties in the revenue cutter service under the treasury department.

Cannibalism in Alaska.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20.—A story of starvation and cannibalism comes from Circle City, Alaska. Michael Daly, Victor Edlar and M. Provost lost their way on the trail from Circle City to Jintown last winter, and their bodies have just been found. Daly's body had been partly eaten by his companions, whose remains were found five miles away. Four hundred dollars were found on the bodies.

A Fast Three-Year Old.

CHICAGO, June 20.—W. M. Hayes, three-year-old colt, Donaldbain, by Strathmore-Gladness, Monday ran seven furlongs at the Hawthorne track in 1:25½. This is the fastest time ever made in the west, and fastest, with one exception, ever made in the United States on other than a straightway course.

Death Marred the Mother's Visit.

UNION CITY, Tenn., June 20.—Mrs. Speight, of Newberne, came on a visit to her son Robert, who lives three miles from town. While driving home in a buggy the horse became frightened and ran away, throwing both out and killing Mrs. Speight and breaking her son's arm.

Bunker Hill Day Celebration.

BOSTON, June 17.—The flag ship New York and the battle ships Massachusetts, Indiana and Texas, of the North Atlantic squadron, Br. Adm. Sampson in command, arrived in the inner harbor and dropped anchor about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon. The customary courtesies were exchanged with Fort Warren and the navy yard battery. All arrangements have been for the parade of marines and blue jackets from the war vessels Saturday in connection with Charleston Bunker Hill day celebration.

SERIOUS MINE DISASTER.

Eleven Men Were Killed in an Explosion in the Old Dominion Colliery at Glace Bay, Cape Breton.

NORTH SYDNEY, C. B., June 17.—The most appalling disaster in the Cape Breton coal mining regions, occurred at the Caledonia mine at Glace Bay, the colliery of the Dominion Coal Co., Friday, when two explosions occurred, causing the death of eleven men, including Thomas Johnson, the underground manager of the works, and brother of the assistant manager of the Dominion Coal Co. Up to noon Friday all the bodies had been recovered.

The explosions occurred in the west pit, at a depth of about three-quarters of a mile, and were caused by gas which had accumulated in the old workings. The full force of men employed in the mine at night is about 35, but the night shift had just started work and all but about 50 had left the mine. There was scarcely an admission between the concussions. The first was a dull boom. Then there was a rumbling noise like an earthquake, succeeded by a deafening, prolonged and awful roar, which reverberated among the hills for miles, and the shock of which shattered glass in every direction, in the immediate vicinity of the disaster. The meaning of the sound was well understood throughout the mining district and anxious people flocked to the mine entrance. Before they arrived suffocating volumes of coal smoke began to pour out, showing that fire had followed the explosion.

The officials of the mine were among the first to reach the shaft. A tally of the men showed that some three score were missing, but later a number of miners appeared, having escaped by a slope. There were about 25 in the company who were able to report their presence to the anxious friends at the shaft, but several others who had managed to get out of the slope had fallen, overcome by the exhaustion of the fumes which they had inhaled. Then these had been reached it was evident that at least 20 men, and possibly 30, had been cut off by the explosion and perished. Any who survived the explosion would quickly have perished from suffocation.

Of the incidents attending the explosion, the survivors were for a long time too confused to give an intelligent account. There was no apparent anger at midnight, nor up to 2 o'clock, when the underground manager, Thomas Johnson, now missing, last reported.

Shortly after 4 o'clock the watchman noticed gas and burning wood, and after Thomas Brown was notified, he found the shaft just as the explosion occurred. The work of rescue was promptly undertaken by Assistant General Manager Johnson and Daniel Martin, underground manager of the pit colliery, with a large number of miners.

The party were confronted with many difficulties. Men, women and children hung about the opening of the shaft, weeping and distracted. Down below a pitchy darkness prevailed, lighted by occasional brilliant bursts of the conflagration raging through the pit. The lamps of the rescuing party shed feeble gleams, and the volunteers groped their way down into the mine, the poisonous gases almost choking them. After a brief time a body was brought up, then another, and another, until 11 had been brought to the surface. None of them were mangled, but all were blackened. The bodies were laid side by side in the large room in the office building.

In the midst of the excitement at the mouth of the shaft, the unconscious form of Manager Brown was brought to the surface. The opening of a door in one of the passages was followed by an explosion, and Mr. Brown fell down, having been made senseless by the shock.

In spite of the efforts of the rescuing party, the proportions of the fire in the pit soon forced them to give all attention to that. The work had to be stopped at frequent intervals owing to danger from fire damp, and with each retreat of the men the fire traveled with double fury.

NORTH SYDNEY, C. B., June 17.—At 1:30 Friday afternoon all the miners had been accounted for except 11. The body of Donald Martin was the only one missing.

New York Hotel Burns.

NEW YORK, June 17.—St. John's Park hotel, on Hudson street, was gutted by fire Friday morning, and four guests were rescued by firemen with scaling ladders. Mr. and Mrs. Morey, of Elmsville; Reuben Donnelly, a traveler, and S. S. Swartz, news dealer, were taken from the building unconscious. The other guests fled to the roof and escaped. The cause of the fire is a mystery.

Killed White Blowing Up Stumps.

WAPAKONETA, O., June 17.—George Varnhorst, while blowing stumps with dynamite on his farm in the eastern part of the county, was struck by the flying debris and instantly killed Friday. His brother was killed in the same manner five years ago.

After the Tobacco Trust.

COLUMBUS, O., June 17.—Attorney General Monnett Friday night filed suit in the supreme court to oust the Continental Tobacco Co., known as the trust, from doing business.

THE TRAGIC DEATH OF LUNA.

A Spanish Prisoner Claims to Have Been an Eye-Witness to the Assassination of the General.

MANILA, June 17.—A Spanish officer who has been a prisoner in the hands of the rebels and who was released by Aguinaldo, has come through our lines to Manila. He claims to have been a witness of the assassination of Gen. Luna. According to his story the relations between the two Filipino leaders had been strained because of Luna's attempt to assume control of affairs and the final rupture was forced by Aguinaldo issuing secret orders to the provincial governors. Luna thereupon notified Aguinaldo, demanding copies of the documents, and Aguinaldo replied that Luna was a general of the army and that the civil government did not concern him. Luna, on opening the reply at his headquarters, in the presence of his officers, exclaimed hotly: "He will be dead to-morrow."

One officer, who was friendly to Aguinaldo, hastened to warn him, and Aguinaldo called together 30 trusted soldiers, fellow townsmen of his, and stationed them around his house, with instructions to kill any one attempting to enter, regardless of rank.

Luna appeared next day and saw Aguinaldo at the window. A member of the guard said: "Aguinaldo has gone to inspect his troops." Luna then exclaimed: "You are a liar!" drew his revolver, struck at the guard and tried to force an entrance into the house. Before he could use his revolver one of the guards bayoneted him, another shot him in the back and others stabbed him. In all he had 20 wounds. Luna's side de cap was killed in the same way.

The Spaniard's story has not entirely dispelled the doubts of Luna's death and bets that he is alive are freely made. Some people think that Aguinaldo has taken pains to send the Spaniard here with this story, furtherance of some diplomatic scheme, while others suspect that Aguinaldo has been assassinated by Luna's men.

Since the Americans withdrew from Candaba recently the rebels have returned and have wreaked vengeance upon those who befriended the Americans. They slaughtered the natives who surrendered the town and displayed their heads on poles in the public square.

WILL INCREASE THE ARMY.

Not Before the First of August Can the Number of Soldiers in the Philippines Be Brought to the Limit.

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Under the most favorable circumstances it will be hardly possible for the government to increase its army in the Philippines up to the 35,000 limit before the first of August. About 6,000 of the troops destined for service in the Philippines, and included in the proposed 35,000 force, are still in this country and will not be able to reach the scene of action for five or six weeks. The officials of the war department are making every effort, however, to expedite their departure; and to that end have arranged for the immediate preparation of the transports Sheridan, Pennsylvania, Zealandia and Valencia. These vessels are all at San Francisco, and have a total capacity of 4,400. Unless present plans miscarry all these vessels will start for Manila before the end of the month. In addition to these reinforcements provisions will have to be made for the transportation of about 4,700 recruits now undergoing instructions at the Presidio of San Francisco, and the 19th regiment of infantry, numbering about 1,300 men, now in camp at Middletown, Pa.

KIDNAPER BARROW GUILTY.

He Gets a Fourteen-Year Sentence—Carrie Jones, the Nurse Girl, Will Serve Four Years in State's Prison.

NEW YORK, June 17.—The jury trying George H. Barrow, the kidnaper, retired to consider their verdict at 11:50 a. m. Friday. They were out only 25 minutes, and then returned with a verdict of guilty. Judge Furman immediately sentenced Barrow to 14 years and 10 months at hard labor in Sing Sing.

After Barrow had been sentenced, Bella Anderson, alias Carrie Jones, the nurse girl, was called to the bar and sentenced to four years' imprisonment. Clemency was accorded Carrie Jones because she confessed and turned state's evidence.

Reported Assassination of Aguinaldo Denied.

HONG KONG, June 17.—The Filipino junta here says there is no truth in the report circulated here and cabled to the United States that Aguinaldo had been assassinated.

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Frivolous Ambition.

"Did you see that pale young man calling out 'Cash!' at the ribbon counter?" "Yes." "Fate's awfully funny, sometimes. Ten years ago, when we were boys together, his one ambition was to be a mighty hunter and catch lions with a lasso."—Berlin (M.) Herald.

International Convention, Baptist Young People's Union of America.

Richmond, Va., July 13 to 16, 1899. The C. H. & D. Ry. will make a rate of one fare for the round trip, good going July 11, 13 and 15, good returning from Richmond not later than July 31. By depositing ticket with joint agent on or before July 21 and payment of 50 cents, return limit may be extended to leave Richmond not later than August 15, 1899. See C. H. & D. agents for information.

No Wonder.

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