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LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR CONTINUE ACTIVELY IN SPAIN.

Fortifying Cuba—Internal Condition of Egypt—Politics of Great Britain—Rancor Toward Ireland—Miners Entombed—Telegraph Conference—Cholera.

MADRID, Sept. 17.—Warlike preparations continue at the various Spanish naval stations. A large quantity of naval stores and a number of heavy guns have been shipped to Manila within the past few days.

The newspapers here claim that before the Yap affair the German gunboat Iltis landed sixty men on the island of Ponape, the most easterly of the Caroline group. The government has replied to the note from England advising that the Carolines dispute be submitted to arbitration.

The government is continuing naval preparations. A quantity of stores and several heavy guns have just been shipped to Manila. Germany has postponed the order for the discharge of its naval reserves.

King Alfonso is suffering from the effects of a cold, and the council to further consider the Caroline question has, in consequence, been postponed.

BERLIN, Sept. 17.—The report that the German government was making increased naval preparations is semi-officially denied.

It is reported that Prince Bismarck has informed the bundesrath that he has no fears that the differences with Spain will result in hostilities.

PARIS, Sept. 17.—The Temps' Madrid dispatch mentions a rumor to the effect that Spain proposes to raise a loan of 30,000,000 francs for the improvement of her navy and her coast and colonial defenses.

CHOLERA.

PARIS, Sept. 17.—Twenty cases of cholera have been reported in Paris during the past three days. The sanitary officials claim that the disease is sporadic, that it is not Asiatic, and that the hot weather prevailing has made the cases more severe than is general at this time of year.

MADRID, Sept. 17.—There were 858 new cases of cholera and 337 deaths from the disease reported yesterday throughout Spain.

TOULON, Sept. 17.—Two deaths from cholera occurred here last night.

ROME, Sept. 17.—During the past twenty-four hours there were 18 deaths from cholera in Palermo, and 20 new cases and 6 deaths in Parma.

MADRID, Sept. 17.—Throughout Spain today 946 new cases of cholera were reported, and 311 deaths from the disease.

POLITICS OF GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, Sept. 17.—Sir William Vernon Harcourt, who was home secretary of state under Mr. Gladstone's administration, spoke at Plymouth to-day. He said the late government were prepared to abolish coercion in Ireland, retaining only those provisions of the coercion act which were aimed against boycotting. He was unable to see the importance of the Liberals, but said that Mr. Gladstone had returned in first-rate health, and prepared for fight. The speaker shared Mr. Chamberlain's opinions as to free education, and thought that the traffic in drink also required attention.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, the chancellor of the exchequer, speaking at Cirencester to-day, commented upon the striking absence in the speeches of the liberal leaders of any reference to the past deeds of the late government, especially regarding Gen. Gordon and the Soudan. The chancellor was strongly opposed to disestablishment, but admitted that the church was open to reform. He approved Mr. Chamberlain's attitude toward Mr. Parnell as the "right thing." The conservatives, he said, also favored local government for Scotland and England, but it was inexpedient to propound their views on the subject at the present time.

TELEGRAPH CONFERENCE.

BERLIN, Sept. 17.—The delegates to the Telegraph Conference have presented Dr. Stephan, the president, with a handsome and costly punch-bowl, made of silver and crystal. The banquet given by Dr. Stephan to the delegates last night was a grand affair. Count Herbert Bismarck and a number of other notable persons were present. The delegates will sign the business documents to-day, and will then return to their respective homes.

FORTIFYING CUBA.

HAVANA, Sept. 17.—The government is strengthening and equipping all the fortresses on the island.

PROBABLY A TELEPONE HOAX.

LONDON, Sept. 17.—The Press Association furnishes a long account of an alleged discovery whereby telephonic communication across the Atlantic is made possible. The inventor of the new instrument, it is said, is a native of Texas, and has no scientific reputation. He employs an instrument of enormous power. It is also alleged that a certain company has acquired the sole right to use the instrument, and that a well-known millionaire has given the inventor, whose means are exhausted, carte blanche to perfect the invention, which will cost £500,000. The new instrument, it is asserted, has been successfully experimented with in the Gulf of Mexico. The story lacks scientific data, and has the appearance of being a hoax.

HUNDREDS OF MINERS ENTOMBED.

LONDON, Sept. 17.—News has just been received of the blocking of the main shaft of the Oakwell colliery at Ilkeston, in Derbyshire. Three hundred miners are entombed. Efforts are being made to effect their rescue by way of the furnace shaft, and will, it is thought, be successful. Up to this time none of the miners have been brought to the surface.

A later dispatch from Derby says that the miners who were imprisoned in the Oak Well colliery have been rescued.

RANCOR TOWARD IRELAND.

DUBLIN, Sept. 17.—United Ireland to-day, commenting on Mr. Chamberlain's recent speech, says: "Twenty-seven invincibles murdered government officials, attacked judges and jurors, and held this great city and the state chattering with terror until the band was finally broken up, because some of its members failed to remember their oath of refusal to open their lips, when, if they had kept their mouths sealed, the eastlish star-camber inquiry would have merely involved a week in prison. Similar organizations would be started in every city, town, and village throughout Ireland if Mr. Chamberlain's argument of Irish weakness is pushed to extremities. The paper then discusses the probable result of England following the policy indicated in Mr. Chamberlain's speeches, and says that such a course would probably result in a French army landing at Limerick simultaneously with an Irish conflagration in all the principal cities in England, and well-planned attacks on the various palaces and banks in London. The article confutes the charge of impotency of the Irish people, hints at a possible national boycotting of English steamships, commercial travelers, officials, soldiers, and policemen, and warns Mr. Chamberlain to moderate his rancor toward Ireland."

Bourbons to Withdraw a Candidate.

RICHMOND, VA., Sept. 17.—It is said here today that the bourbons are considering the question of withdrawing their candidate for attorney, Gen. R. A. Ayers, of Scott county, against whom it is whispered charges will be publicly made by the Republican press which will injure their cause.

Yellow Fever Increasing.

GUAYMAS, MEX., Sept. 17.—Yellow fever is on the increase. There have been 129 cases since Sept. 1, 29 of which have proved fatal. The disease has appeared at Hermosillo and Mazatlan, and quarantine has been established at Negoces. The heat is excessive.

A Lie Nailed.

RICHMOND, VA., Sept. 17.—The Alexandria Gazette having announced that Senator Riddleberger had said he believed Fitz. Lee would be the best governor of Virginia, Riddleberger to-day telegraphed here that it was wholly false, and a lie out of the whole cloth.

AN EXCITING CHURCH TRIAL.

Serious Charges Against Father O'Connell.

CEWEGO, N. Y., Sept. 17.—The ecclesiastical trial of Father O'Connell, pastor of St. John's Roman Catholic Church, in this city, on charges of conspiring with the defaulting city treasurer, Crawford, and also of criminal intimacy with Crawford's sister, has created unprecedented excitement in Catholic circles here. On Friday last a local paper published charges supposed to have been inspired by Father O'Connell declaring that Father Walsh, the official prosecutor of the case, had resorted to extraordinary and unfair means to secure a conviction, and that he has displayed a vindictive spirit throughout. To-day Father Walsh replies to these charges in a published letter addressed to O'Connell. Father Walsh expresses regret at the pastor's association and his free use of newspapers for ventilating the proceedings of the trial, which was conducted under the injunction of secrecy. The letter closes as follows: "Because I lulled you and your partners at your own game and exposed your tricks, now, to be averged, you charge me with vindictiveness and sundry preposterous irregularities. Your condition is indeed exceedingly pitiable, for blinded by malignant passion unworthy a priest, and egged on to your doom by interested and designing associates, you are anticipating your conviction and dealing blows to religion from which it will reel for many a day. Out of my heart do I pity you, recognizing the depths to which you have fallen, and pray that your eyes may be opened to the error of your ways." All the papers in the case have been submitted to the bishop, and his decision is expected soon.

Employers and Employed.

PITTSBURG, PA., Sept 17.—Three mines in the fourth pool will resume operations to-morrow at the 3 cent rate, the price demanded by the strikers. As this is the first break in the ranks of the operators, the miners are greatly encouraged. The railroad miners, it is said, are growing restive and a strike is quite probable if the river miners are successful. About 7,000 men are employed in the railroad mines.

ALBANY, Sept. 17.—An action has been commenced by Rathbone, Lord & Co. against David Havens, James H Coyle, Wm. H. Corcoran, John Fish, Patrick Hughes, and Wm. McCarthy, members of the Molders' Union, to recover $5,000 damages. The firm claim that the defendants conspired to injure their property and business by numerous unlawful acts, such as intimidating workmen, stopping horses and carriages while conveying workmen to the country, and threatening officers and workmen in their employ.

ALLENTOWN, PA., Sept. 17.—New trials having been granted the Bethlehem Iron Company in suits brought against it by former employes for the recovery of money deducted from their wages in settlement of bills contracted at the company store, a second trial of four of the suits regarded as test cases was handed in court here this afternoon, the jury returning a verdict in favor of the company in each case. Upward of 100 suits have been brought by employes, and the amount involved will reach $150,000, receipts being produced by defendants in court to-day aggregating $120,000.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 17.—Through the long strike of the nailers the stock of nails in this city and the west has been almost exhausted. Dealers here report the supply smaller than for twenty years, and say that an order for 100 kegs could not be filled in this city. The strike is in its fourth month, with no indications of an early resumption of the factories. There are no signs of weakening on either side.

Mystery About a Balloon.

CHICAGO, Sept. 17.—The Inter Ocean's Monmouth (Ill.) special says: The spectacle of an enormous balloon sweeping above the city a few hundred feet drew people from their stores and houses this afternoon till the streets were crowded. The excitement became intense when shortly after the airship swooped down and impaled itself on the spire of the Catholic church near the public square. The balloon at once collapsed, and a hundred citizens helped to drag the concern to the ground. The basket was empty, barring a torn shirt sleeve, a cuff, and some branches of oak, indicating a collision with tree tops somewhere and the possible death of an aeronaut. All efforts to discover whence the balloon came and the name and fate of its occupants have been unavailing.

American Annexation League.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—Mayor Grace was today invited to attend a meeting of the American Annexation League, to be held at Niagara Falls Nov. 15. As explained to Mayor Grace the organization had made investigation into the case of Louis Riel, and has discovered that he was arrested on American soil, and that the attention of President Cleveland and Secretary Bayard had been called to the alleged fact. Mayor Grace has not accepted the invitation as yet.

Four-Oared Boat Race.

BOSTON, Sept. 17.—At Point of Pines this afternoon a four-oared working boat race, distance three miles, with three turns, was contested by the following crews: No. 1, Casey, Silvie Gookin, Wallace Ross, James Ten Eyck; No. 2, George Hosmer, Peterson, Hamm, McKay; No. 3, Holden, Ryan, Cunningham, Sweeney. Hosmer's crew were not headed once during the race, and won ten lengths ahead of the Casey crew, who followed second. Time, 20:37¼.

Women at the Polls—Novel Scenes.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Sept. 17.—In the election for school commissioners here the women generally voted. This had the effect of bringing out a very large male vote, and the total number of ballots cast was twenty times as great as usual. Many young ladies tried to vote who were neither mothers nor taxpayers, and their ballots were rejected. The scenes at the polls, where women were electioneering, were novel. The women generally voted for the successful candidates.

Coal Trade—Better Times.

WILKES-BARRE, PA., Sept. 17.—President Tillinghast, of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Company, in an interview, said he thought the worst was over for this year, and better times may be looked for from now until Jan. 1. The demand for coal is growing more spirited every day, and the market is taking the output quite readily. After the 1st of October the excess of the past will dwindle every day.

Dirty Doings of Depraved Mormons.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, Sept. 17.—The Mormons having affected to believe that Gentiles committed the recent outrages against federal officials, the Tribune this morning gave a history of similar outrages committed during the last fifteen years, showing that this is the common practice of depraved Mormons against persons they hate.

Flux Epidemic in Virginia.

LYNCHBURG, Sept. 17.—A severe epidemic of flux is raging in Lee and Scott counties, in this state. Many people have died from the disease, and many more are sick. The disease is on the increase.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

—John Williams, of Albany, N. Y., a counterfeiter, was sentenced to three years in prison and to pay a fine of $100.

—The new court house in Saginaw City, Mich., was damaged by fire Wednesday to the extent of $10,000; fully insured.

—The date to which Riel was reprieved, so that an appeal of his case might be heard before the imperial privy council, is Oct. 18.

—James Tribbe, colored, was married at Randolph, N. Y., Wednesday evening, to Miss Young, white. The marriage created a great sensation.

—A verdict of accidental death was given in the case of Marion Norwood, the actress who was fatally burned at New York while smoking a cigarette in bed.

—The oyster planters of the Shrewsbury river say they will send more oysters to market this year than for several years past, all of the beds being unusually full.

—Loss of about $175,000 was occasioned by the burning of the glass works of Fox & Co., limited, and a few adjoining buildings at Dansville, near Utica, N. Y.

—California sugar refiners have decided to advance the price of sugar 2 cents per pound over New York prices, in order to keep eastern sugar out of the San Francisco market.

—Rev. Benj F. Tefft died at Bangor, Me., Wednesday, aged 72. He was once president of Genesee College, editor of the Methodist Book Concern, and author of several works. He was United States consul to Stockholm in 1862, and acting minister.

—William H. Teuchtone, chief engineer of the steamer Wisteria, the government buoy-tender stationed near Charleston, fell yesterday on the steamer Equator, laying in the Delaware at Clyde's wharf, Philadelphia, and received injuries from which he expired shortly afterward. The deceased was an assistant engineer in the navy during the rebellion, and lately lived in Baltimore.

—Charles A. Boddenekk, the builder, who was convicted of manslaughter in the second degree in erecting unsafe houses in New York city whereby a row fell and killed one of his employes, and who was sentenced to state prison for ten years, is likely to be released from prison on bail. Judge Van Brunt, of the supreme court, having given his opinion that there is considerable doubt whether this judgment is found against Buddenekk, should stand, because of certain errors committed upon his trial in the criminal court.

REUNIONS OF SOLDIERS.

RENEWING OLD ACQUAINTANCES AND HAVING A GOOD TIME GENERALLY.

Mexican Veterans, Army of the Cumberland, Army of West Virginia, and Pennsylvania Veterans—Crowds—Resolutions—Speeches—New Officers—Garfield Statue at Washington.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Sept. 17.—The National Mexican Veterans' Association continued its session to-day. The first business was the report of the committee on organization, as follows: For president, Gen. James W. Denver, of Ohio; for vice president, Gen. Mahlon D. Manson, of Indiana; for secretary, Col. A. M. Keneday, of Washington, D. C.; for treasurer, Capt. S. V. Niles, of Washington, D. C.; for marshal, Maj. S. L. McFadden, of Indiana. A long list of vice presidents, two from each state, the same as last year with a few exceptions, was reported and the report was unanimously adopted. All the officers made brief speeches, returning their thanks for the honor, and pledging themselves to renewed efforts for the cause in which they are all interested. A resolution indorsing Gen. Manson as a suitable man to be appointed pension agent at this point, in case the present incumbent be removed, was adopted. The committee on resolutions made an extended report, which was adopted. Among the resolutions were the following:

Resolved, That we still hope that Congress, which has hitherto failed to recognize the services of the soldiers, sailors, and marines of the Mexican war, will at no distant day do justice to them all by giving them such pension as befits their services, and as will save many of them from want and the sufferings born of want and comfort, and cheer their last days by the assurance that they are not wholly forgotten by their country.

Resolved, That whatever claims these veteran survivors of the war with Mexico may have upon their country, stand upon grounds so peculiar in respect to the time and circumstances in which they originated as to fairly entitle them to the consideration of Congress upon their own merits.

The president of the association was empowered to take charge of the resolutions concerning pensions, and bring the subject-matter thereof to the attention of the President and Congress at the earliest possible day.

Resolutions were also adopted indorsing the Vidette, the association organ, and returning thanks to the citizens of Indianapolis.

In the evening the veterans sat down to a banquet at the Grand Hotel. Vice President Hendricks was among the speakers, and responded to the toast "The President, the Worthy Magistrate of the Republic." Mr. Hendricks confined himself to detailing the duties, powers, and responsibilities of the President as laid down by the constitution, and concluded by saying: "These enormous duties, powers, and responsibilities now rest upon Mr. Cleveland, and it is the occasion of universal congratulation that he is strong enough and brave enough to stand up steadily under them."

ARMY OF THE CUMBERLAND.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Sept. 17.—An immense crowd gathered at Power's Opera house last night to attend the Cumberland army reunion exercises. Gen. R. A. Alger, as governor, delivered the address of welcome. Gen. Sheridan, on behalf of the society, responded. He was wildly cheered, and when the demonstration subsided he said:

I, as all my comrades know, very seldom say anything when I can get out of it. I can say, however, that all members of the Army of Cumberland are very grateful to Michigan and thank the people of Grand Rapids and Michigan for their kind attention. As Gov. Alger has said, I came from Michigan and Grand Rapids. I started with the 2d Michigan cavalry, and was promoted brigadier-general; how I was appointed, I don't know, but I was, and joined the regiment after dark the day I received the appointment. I was too busy from that time till a short time ago to be mustered into service, but I received my pay.

Gen. Alger explained how Sheridan was appointed colonel. Gen. R. D. Mussey, of Washington, was orator of the evening, Judge Foraker being absent.

"Sheridan's Ride" and other war poems were rendered very effectively by Mrs. McCann. Speeches were also made by Gen. Warren Keifer, of Ohio; ex-Congressman Horr, of Saginaw; Gen. Morgan, of Illinois; Gen. Fullerton, of New York, and Gen. Innes, of this city.

To-day was the second and last day of the reunion of the Army of the Cumberland. Upward of forty posts of the G. A. R., a dozen camps of Sons of Veterans, several companies of militia, and visitors from every state in the Union were present. This morning nothing was done by the entire organization, but several regimental reunions were held for the renewal of old acquaintances and general good time. This afternoon the grand procession took place, 5,000 being the estimated number of those in line.

At the morning meeting of the society Gen. Barnette, chairman of the committee on the Garfield monument, reported satisfactory progress. It will be placed on Maryland circle, west of the capitol building, in Washington. Officers were elected as follows: President, Gen. P. H. Sheridan; secretary, Gen. Cist, of Ohio; treasurer, Gen. J. A. Fullerton, of Missouri; recording secretary, Col. J. W. Steele. Vice presidents were elected from each state—Col. P. V. Fox, of this city, for Michigan. Gen. Ben Harrison, of Indiana, was named as orator for the next reunion; Col. H. M. Duffield, of Detroit, alternate. The next reunion will be held at Washington, D. C.

PENNSYLVANIA VETERANS.

WILKES-BARRE, PA., Sept. 17.—The seventh annual reunion of veterans of Lackawanna, Luzerne, Wayne, Wyoming, and Susquehanna counties took place here today. The demonstration was the largest ever held in this city. There was a parade in which nearly 300 ex-Union prisoners of the war and over 2,000 other veterans took part. In the afternoon speeches were made by ex-Gov. Hoyt, Thomas J. Stewart, of Philadelphia; Gen. McMahon, of New York; Gens. William H. McCartney, Edmund L. Dana, and Samuel H. Sturdevant, and Judge Stanley Woodward, of this city. Letters from Gens. Hancock and Sheum, regretting their inability to be present, were read. In the evening in a park a camp-fire was held, which was largely attended by citizens and soldiers.

INTERNAL CONDITION OF EGYPT.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 17.—Sir Henry Drummond Wolff, the British envoy, has presented to the porte a note from the Marquis of Salisbury in which the marquis defines the necessity for reforms in the administration of the finances of Egypt and for a reorganization of the military forces of that country. Lord Salisbury proposes that the sultan send a commission to join with English commission in an inquiry into the internal condition of Egypt. The proposition has been accepted by the sultan.

THE ARMY OF WEST VIRGINIA.

PORTSMOUTH, OHIO, Sept. 17.—The ninth annual reunion of the Army of West Virginia began yesterday in a large tent, accommodating 10,000 persons. Mayor Turley welcomed the members. Gen. R. B. Hayes, in the absence of Gen. Rock, president, responded, and Gen. Hayes was then called upon to preside. A number of brief addresses were made, one by Gen. B. F. Kelly, the first commander of the army. Mrs. Gen. Kelly was made an honorary member. An evening meeting was held. The meeting will continue two days.

Ex-President Hayes said that the Army of West Virginia had but little written history compared with many other societies. Its services were mainly in a remote and a mountainous country, where the newspaper correspondent did not penetrate, but nevertheless the service performed was not to be underrated. The guarding for a long time on the frontier and a line of railroad for supplies was no menial service. Nearly all the troops from Ohio and Indiana had seen their first service in Virginia, in fact it would seem as though it was a great military training school for those who accomplished so much at a later period.

To-day's proceedings were enlivened by the presence of a large body of Grand Army men from the surrounding posts. Gen. W. H. Powell, of Illinois, read an eulogy of Grant. Resolutions of condolence and sympathy to the family of Gen. Grant were passed. An original poem, "War Echoes," was read by Maj. J. W. Longbron. Addresses were also made by Gen. Nathan Goff, ex-Secretary of the Navy; Gen. R. P. Kennedy, and Gen. R. B. Brown. In the evening there were recitations by Mrs. E. M. Irving, and short addresses by the comrades.

THE NEW ENGLAND VETERANS.

WINCHESTER, VA., Sept. 17.—The New England veterans spent the day at Luray cave and the Antietam battlefield, dividing their time between the two places.

To-night Connecticut had charge of the exercises and the camp was crowded. The display of fireworks was very handsome and the music enlivening. To-morrow the whole party will go to Harrisonburg where they will be banqueted. An ex-confederate team of sharpshooters who were members of Jackson's, Hughes', and Imboden's brigades, from this city, will accompany the veterans and participate in a rifle match to take place in the afternoon.

GENESEE BICYCLE RACES.

Interesting Contests—Amateurs from All Over the World.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 17.—The third annual race day to-day of the Genessee Bicycle Club was notable for the large number of entries of amateurs from all over the country. The day was perfect and the track was in good condition. There were eleven contests on the programme. The one mile professional bicycle race was won by R. A. Neilson, of Boston, in 2:46⅘; John S. Prince, of Washington, second; William M. Woodside, of Chicago, third; Robert James, of Birmingham, England, fourth, and John Brooks, of Bloomburg, Pa., fifth. The one-mile amateur bicycle race was won by W. F. Knapp, of Cleveland, in 2:53; W. A. Histon, of Birmingham, England, second; George E. Webber, of Smithville, N. J., third, and R. Cripps, of Nottingham, England, fourth. The one-mile tricycle race was won by R. Cripps, of England, in 3:47½. C. Howland, of Akron, Ohio, was his only competitor. The one-mile safety bicycle race, for amateurs, was won by F. Allard, of Coventry, England, in 3:08; A. P. Engelhart, of England, second; John G. Ellis, of Rochester, third, and C. J. Connolly, of Rochester, fourth.

There were so many starters in the 3:10 class bicycle race that it was raced in separate heats, the three leaders in the two first heats comprising the starters in a decisive third heat. A. E. Schaef, of Buffalo, won in 2:38⅘. Charles A. Smith, of Rochester, second; J. R. Rhonbottom, of Weedsport, third.

The one mile bicycle amateur handicap was won by W. F. Knapp, of Cleveland; W. A. Histon, of England, second, and R. Cripps, of England, third. Time, 2:51¾.

There were only two starters in the one mile professional unicycle race—N. E. Kaufman and Willard H. Rubber, both of Rochester. The former won in 4 minutes. W. A. Rowe, of Lynn, Mass., won the five mile amateur bicycle race in 16:56; W. F. Knapp, of Cleveland, second; George E. Webber, of Smithville, N. J., third, and R. A. Gamble, of Hilaver, N. Y., fourth. The English wheelmen leave for England next week.

The Weed.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Sept. 17.—Tobacco day, or the celebration of the sale of the 100,000th hogshead of tobacco in Louisville this year, took place to-day. The city is crowded so that locomotion in the business streets is almost impassable. Excursion trains from neighboring cities have been arriving since yesterday, and there are 50,000 visitors in the city. The parade was a magnificent pageant. It was composed of the most elaborate, artistic, and costly display, represented in any commercial interest. It was over eight miles long, and took hours to pass a given point.

There were many very picturesque displays in the procession and large quantities of tobacco of all grades and qualities were hauled from the different wagons. White Burley, Virginia Wrapper, the celebrated Hart county Yellow Prior, Green River Dark Leaf, the heavy, rich, lone tobacco from Christian and other southern counties, Blue Prior, Clarksville Leaf, and every other quality known and used by manufacturers were represented in the display.

National Temperance Society.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—At a meeting of the board of managers of the National Temperance Society here to-day the following memorial was adopted, to be forwarded to both the Republican and Democratic state conventions: "The board of managers of the National Temperance Society, a non-partisan organization, respectfully ask that you will declare by resolution in favor of the submission to the people of an amendment to the constitution of the state of New York which, when ratified, will forever prohibit the manufacture and sale of all intoxicating beverages."

Lieut. Greely's Address.

PITTSFIELD, MASS., Sept. 17.—Lieut. Greely made an address before the Berkshire Agricultural Society to-day. He spoke of his discovery of a belt of land in the Arctic region where there were sheep with the head and horns of an ox and the tail of a horse, but with the finest wool ever found on any known animal. It had been said that sheep culture was profitable in Berkshire on account of the long cold winters, and he thought it might be well to try these Arctic sheep that even in that region live and prosper unsheltered all the year.

Virginia's Exorbitant Assessment.

RICHMOND, Sept. 17.—The new assessment of property in Virginia is said to be largely in excess of its actual value, and a great many property-holders of this city and other places have taken steps to secure an abatement before the courts. While the bourbons claim to oppose an increase of taxes, it is claimed they have made the effort to secure an increase by exorbitant assessment.

Complaints From Paper Manufacturers.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—The American Paper Manufacturers' Association has written the quarantine commission complaining that the process of disinfection now in use injures the rags that are imported. It is urged that in one-tenth of the paper mills of the country, employing 100,000 operatives, there never yet has been a case of cholera resulting from infection in rags.

Largely Increased Corn Crop.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 17.—The Price Current says its reports indicate that the present corn crop of the country will aggregate 1,950,000,000 bushels, an increase of 195,000,000 bushels, or nearly 11 per cent. over last year. After the 25th of September, with the present favorable weather, the frost-danger line will be crossed.

New Jersey Fair Races.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Sept. 17.—Thirty-five thousand persons attended the races at the state fair grounds to-day. Among those present were Senators McPherson and Sewell and the state officers. The free-for-all race was won by David Wood's (South Amboy) b. g. Colwood in three straight heats. Time, 2:30¼, 2:27¾, 2:27¾.

Resignation of Archbishop Laing.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 17.—A private letter received in this city states that Most Rev. J. B. Laing, archbishop of Santa Fe, N. M., has resigned: His coadjutor, Most Rev. J. B. Salpointe, becomes his successor ipso jure. Archbishop Laing was the first Catholic of Santa Fe. He went to New Mexico thirty-five years ago.

CABLE CATCHES.

Tennyson's latest poem deals with home rule in Ireland.

A force of 12,000 Abyssinians has crossed the frontier on its way to the relief of Kassala.

The Prussian government has again rejected the vatican's proposals in regard to the vacant see of Posen and education in seminaries.

The officers of the International African Association in Brussels discredit the story recently published of the massacre of the members of the Massaris expedition.

It is reported that the sultans of Muscat and Turkey have implored the sultan of Zanzibar, in the interests of Mohammedanism, to accede to Germany's demands.

Lord Salisbury has notified English shipowners that he cannot intervene with foreign states to obtain for English vessels exemption from quarantine regulations.

Capt. Baron Poler, of the Austrian army, has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment, and to be reduced to the ranks, for disclosing military secrets to a foreign official.

The Peruvian government has withdrawn the "exequatur" of St. Pedro Seliguera as consul general of Honduras. It is stated that he confessed to being the chief agent of Caceras at Lima.

The trial of Jeanne Lorette, the Brussels girl, who, on March 10 last, shot and killed her lover, the Japanese consul General in disturbed, was commenced yesterday at the Hague. The defense urged a plea of insanity.

After ejecting the rioters from the meeting of royalists at Paris Wednesday night, the Orleanists and Bonapartists effected a fusion, and indorsed a candidate for members of the chamber of deputies the Duc de la Rochefoucauld-Bisaccia, Count de Cassagnac, Baron Haussmann, and others.

IRELAND FOR THE IRISH.

A Mass Meeting of Sympathizers With Parnell's Movement.

Every one of the 500 people who went into Abney's Hall last night to listen to the eloquent tributes to the work of the National Land League was given a card calling for a subscription to aid the league in their work. The members of the local branch of the league, under whose auspices the meeting was held, were uniting in their efforts, and a committee, headed by J. D. O'Connell, took charge of the collections. When the meeting had been formally opened T. H. Bright introduced Representative Martin Foran, of Ohio, as presiding officer.

Mr. Foran said that he advocated Irish rights and the Land League because he was an American. Parnell, he said, is Ireland's uncrowned king, because he is cherished by every Irishman as their deliverer. He hoped that Parnell would be Ireland's first president.

There was great applause at the mention of Parnell's name, and when Hon. M. V. Gannon, of Iowa, was introduced he was given a rousing reception.

Mr. Gannon recalled the fact of America's own experience with England 100 years ago, and asked was it any wonder that one of Ireland's sons, who had been downtrodden for 700 years, should some morning get up and take an old rusty musket down from its place and, seeing his landlord walk by, raise the musket, and asking a benediction and making the sign of the cross, should let the old musket rep, pointed in the direction of the landlord. The speaker then named a dozen Irish patriots who have advocated the liberty of their country who are Protestants, and ended with "Charlie Parnell."

"Every man," said the speaker, "who stood up for Irish liberty is cherished by every Irishman." The speaker's reference to Vice President Hendrick's speech in Indianapolis, indorsing the labors of the National Land League was received with the greatest applause.

Resolutions were then framed by Messrs. John M. Keogh, chairman, James Ryan, and Daniel Grady, and adopted unanimously. The resolutions are:

"Whereas Charles Stewart Parnell, in his speeches delivered in Dublin on the 2nd and 23d August, respectively, declared that the great work and the only work of the Irish parliamentary party in the new parliament will be the restoration of the Irish parliament, and that the Irish parliamentary party desired nothing more than to place in the hands of irishmen and of the people of Ireland the right to govern themselves, and to manage their own affairs; now, therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we the citizens of Washington City, in mass meeting assembled, fully indorse the programme of the leader of the Irish people, and pledge ourselves to sustain and assist him and his party until the consummation of their great struggle.

"Resolved, That a subscription be at once opened for the purpose of raising a fund to be forwarded to Charles Stewart Parnell, or to such person as he may designate, for the use of the Irish parliamentary party.

"Resolved, That a committee of fifteen be appointed to take charge of the fund, to devise means of procuring additional subscriptions, and to publish the names of subscribers in the Washington and Irish-American press."

Representatives Lawler, of Chicago, and Foran, of Ohio, then addressed the meeting briefly, and the collection netted $292 in cash and the promise of a good deal more. The money will be sent to Father O'Reilly, of Detroit, and the resolutions to Mr. Parnell.

President Diaz's Message.

CITY OF MEXICO (via Galveston), Sept. 17.—President Diaz's message to congress last night has produced a very satisfactory impression. He spoke in general of the excellent relations which Mexico cultivates with all the nations of the world, but with respect to the United States the president said we have maintained the most cordial relations. The return of the Democratic party to power after more than twenty years of the Republican party having occurred it has not occasioned any disturbance in the political friendship reigning between both countries. For this reason he recommends to the chamber of senators the early ratification of the postal and extradition conventions treaties which our chargé d'affaires minister in Washington has negotiated with that government, as well as the approval of the additional article of the commercial convention of the 20th of January, 1883, prolonging until the 30th of March, 1886, the carrying out of article 8 of the said convention on the ratification of the laws which the same requires for its complete fulfillment. He equally thought it convenient to recommend the examination and ratification of the treaty concluded in the city of Washington by our representative establishing certain rules of interpretation with respect to article 1 of the limit treaty of the 30th of December, 1853, so as to avoid difficulties caused by the constant deviations to which the course of the "Rio Bravo" is exposed.

To-Day's Yacht Races.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—The race for the cup presented by James Gordon Bennett for schooners and by William P. Douglass for single masted vessels, which takes place to-morrow over a forty-mile triangular course outside of Sandy Hook, will be almost as interesting as were the just completed contests for the America cup. The race is open to sailing yachts of all nations belonging to a recognized yacht club, and is sailed according to the rules of the New York Yacht Club, with time allowance. In the schooner class the entries are the Grayling, Dauntless, Gitana, and Fortuna. In the single-stick class the Genesta will try conclusions with the Stranger, Bedouin, Reed, Clara, Isis, Gracie, and Athlone. Several wagers were made this morning on the result of the meet. The Grayling was a hot favorite in the first event, with the Dauntless next. The Genesta, of course, claimed superiority over the others, but the Stranger and Bedouin were not forgotten. The start will be made promptly at 11 o'clock.

American Bankers' Association.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—At a conference in New York of the officers of the American Bankers' Association yesterday the secretary's draft of the programme was completed prior to the opening of the headquarters of the convention at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, on Saturday next. A larger number of speakers than usual have announced to the executive council their intention to be present and their desire to speak on some of the numerous practical topics which will be brought up, and it is already suggested that the convention should be prolonged, if possible, for another day or two. It is proposed to favor the development of an esprit de corps among bank clerks by organizing the most meritorious and successful clerks in connection with the association, and by giving them facilities for examination and promotion which, it is hoped will, with other safeguards, tend to check many of the causes of defalcation, and will promote one of the great objects of the convention—the conferring of stability and strength upon every department of the banking system of the country.

Jumbo's Skeleton for the Smithsonian Institution.

ST. THOMAS, ONT., Sept. 17.—Prof. Ward, of Rochester, N. Y., with several assistants, arrived here to-day and removed the skin from the elephant Jumbo's carcass and separated the flesh from the bones. Work on the huge body was very difficult, and it required a great deal of patience on the part of Prof. Ward to accomplish the task successfully. Jumbo's hide and skeleton will be shipped to Rochester, N. Y., where they will be prepared for their respective destinations—the skeleton to go to the smithsonian Institution at Washington and the hide to Tuft's college, near Boston.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN., Sept. 17.—P. T. Barnum has pensioned Mathew Scott, the English keeper of the elephant Jumbo, who has had charge of Jumbo since that animal was three years old.

A Double-Scull Race.

PORTLAND, ME., Sept. 17.—Hanlan and Lee, Conley and William Spellman, the latter acting for Courtney, met at the Argus office today and signed the following agreement: "We, the undersigned, agree to row a double-scull race, in best and best boats, distance three miles, with one turn, for $1,000 aside, said race to take place in smooth water, between 3 and 5 o'clock Saturday, Oct. 19, 1885, the course to be mutually agreed upon on or before Oct. 1; but if not then agreed upon the race to be rowed at Troy, N. Y., over the Laureate course." Hamilton Busby, of the Turf, Field and Farm, has been appointed stakeholder.

Serious Railroad Accident.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Sept. 17.—A special to the Advertiser from Selma says that a serious accident occurred this morning near Burnsville, on the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad. A whole passenger train, except the engine, was derailed and rolled down an embankment five feet high. Mrs. C. E. Fort was seriously injured, and several others were slightly hurt. The escape of all the passengers from death was simply miraculous. Physicians attended the injured, and the passengers were carried back to Selma. A broken rail caused the accident. The damage to rolling stock is considerable.

Rifle Association Shooting.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—The second day's shooting in the annual fall meeting of the National Rifle Association at the Creedmoor range took place to-day. The shooting was good, and some very high scores were obtained.

Mr. Evarts Would Not Accept.

ALBANY, N. Y., Sept. 17.—The Evening Journal announced by authority that Senator Evarts will not accept the Republican nomination for governor.

OPEN AIR DIVERSIONS.

ANOTHER EASILY WON VICTORY SCORED BY THE NATIONALS YESTERDAY.

Fall Games Abroad—Sale of the Buffalo League Franchise to Detroit—Alta Winsthe Great Sweepstakes at Sheepshead Bay—To-Day's Racing Entries and Prospects.

The Nationals defeated the Trentons yesterday. They don't deserve much credit for it, however, as their work in the field was atrocious, and nothing but the inability of the Trentons to hit O'Day's delivery effectively prevented them from winning. Knowles in particular had an off day, and White made a display that was not excusable. Over-confidence is leading the boys to hold their opponents too cheaply, but the championship is not won yet, and such careless play as that indulged in yesterday can easily throw away the present slender lead of the Nationals. The attendance yesterday was very good, and deserved to have seen a better game.

However, if the fielding of the National was bad their batting was good enough to make up for it; and they fairly thumped their victory out with the stick, Hoover and Knowles leading in the slugging. Each of the two hit safely three out of the four times they went to the bat. The visitors played a fine game in the field. P. Murphy especially distinguished himself by his brilliant work behind the bat. Lang, Hiland, and Friel attended to all that came their way. Brouthers made a pretty double play in the seventh inning by catching O'Day's fly and throwing Gladmon out at first before he could return. Gladmon made a remarkably fine pick up of a hot grounder from Brouthers's bat. Cook caught finely, his throwing being swift and accurate. Baker, Hoover, Burch, and Gladmon played well. The two