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Sick School Children. In the city of Boston 23,000 school children were examined by physicians and it was found that 6,000 were ill enough to be sent to their homes...

A Fox In Soapbuds. During the run of the Warwickshire hounds recently a fox, hard pressed, dashed into a back kitchen at Natley Hall, the seat of the Marquis of Hertford...

Age Not to Be Denied. Without one omission for fifty-three successive years, Maj. Lucius Slade has attended the Boston National Lancers' annual party for children...

Did the President Say This? It is said in Washington that when two Bostonians who were calling upon President Roosevelt the other day expressed the hope that the Monroe doctrine might not lead the government into war with any foreign power the president replied: "War? Do you think I'm going to lead a war while I'm cooped up here in the white house? Well, I guess not."

Sets a New Fashion. Mrs. Alfred Harnsworth, wife of the London publisher, has made a sensation in Paris by appearing in a most novel automobile coat, made of the hide of a perfectly white cat...

Signals Under the Sea. A discovery was made in Boston harbor recently, when representatives of the Submarine Signal company found that the blows on their submarine bell, striking in the upper harbor, caused vibrations, and, furthermore, that the sound could be heard distinctly by simply placing the ear against wharf piles.

Immigration Inspector in Trouble. Frank Saxton, a nephew of Mrs. McKinley, has been dismissed from the position of supervising immigrant inspector at Ellis Island. He and two inspectors were accused of dereliction of duty regarding the admission of immigrants who were not entitled to land.

Boycott German Artists. In consequence of the demonstrations against the engagement of German artists at the music halls in Budapest the proprietors have been obliged to sign an undertaking to employ no more performers of German nationality under pain of being boycotted.

Plot Against the English. In consequence of the plot recently discovered in Johannesburg to murder officers, Lord Kitchener has issued a confidential order directing officers who are in town at night to walk in the middle of the road and to invariably carry a loaded revolver.

Ancient Irish Boat. In a bog near Tuam, an ancient Irish coracle, or canoe boat, has been found several feet below the surface, well preserved. It measures fifty-two feet in length and will be placed among the Keltic remains in the Dublin museum.

To Discontinue French Custom. The custom in France of posting on the dead walls of every commune throughout the country the speeches of ministers is to be discontinued. Every time it is done it costs the government \$60,000.

Value of Irrigation. It is officially estimated that if the waters in our western states now unused were utilized for irrigation purposes, a population of 80,000,000 more could be sustained in those states.

Fire Losses of America. Within the last twenty-five years the fire loss in the United States has exceeded \$2,800,000,000. To this total the year 1901 has contributed losses aggregating over \$170,000,000.

Population of Venice. The increase in population of Venice has not been less than 50,000 during the last twenty-five years. During the last ten years it has been nearly 17,000.

Bert Lund, a shoemaker of Mason City shot himself in a fit of despondency, dying instantly. He was affected with consumption, and came to Mason City from Minneapolis.

G. H. Warren, aged 57, married, but for nine years separated from his family, committed suicide at the home of his brother, C. S. Warren, at Des Moines, by hanging himself to a bed post. He was despondent because of sickness and the loss of his eyesight. Up to three months ago Oskaloosa was his home.

A young man named Covey, working for John Ham, south of Earlville about two miles, arose after all were in bed, went to Mr. Ham's bedroom, took his pantaloons from under his pillow, abstracted Mr. Ham's pocket-book, appropriated the contents, about \$60, and left immediately, going to Earlville at once, where he took a horse and cutter hitched in town and drove hurriedly west. The officers of the law are trying to catch the offender, but are yet without any definite clue.

Sioux City scored a great victory in the Iowa supreme court a few days ago, when that body reversed the decision of the lower court in the famous Sioux City water works case. The decision means that the control and operation of the water works will pass from the trustees appointed by the district court to the city council. The court held that the law providing for the appointment of trustees by the district court is unconstitutional and that the state has no right to manage municipal corporations.

E. D. Nelson, a fugitive for the past five months, has been arrested at Fort Scott, Kan. He is charged with embezzling \$4,380 from the Northern Grain company, who own a system of elevators along the Chicago & Northwestern railway. When he left in October it was found that a shortage of the above amount existed, and the National Surety company made up the amount. Nelson was located at Wheelerwood, ten miles north of Mason City, and was regarded as a clean young man.

D. C. Jones, division freight and passenger of the Milwaukee road, with headquarters in Cedar Rapids, committed suicide at Ottumwa. He took a sheet, made several knots, and sat down and choked to death. When found the body was not four inches from the floor. The cause of the deed is a mystery. He was one of the most prominent railroad men in the state and held a most responsible position. It is understood his health has been poor some time, and it is believed that was the cause of the act.

Elmer Reeves, the Waverly nurseryman, received an interesting package by registered mail a few days ago. It contained a handsome bronze medal from the commissioners of the Paris exposition. The medal was awarded to Mr. Reeves for the best display of fruit exhibited at the World's fair held in Paris in 1900. With the medal comes a diploma setting forth the award in detail. Mr. Reeves takes just pride in securing the medal, and is to be congratulated for winning first honors in a contest with fruit growers from all nations. There were seven or eight varieties of apples in the display sent by Mr. Reeves, the most prominent being the Wealthy. An interesting feature was a plate of native crab apples about twice the usual size. The Duchess apples had been in cold storage for a long time before shipment and they reached Paris in perfect condition.

John Davis, who has been an inmate of the Appanoose county farm since last October, left that place the other day for Carrollton, Mo., where, according to a letter he received, there is on deposit in Wilcox's bank for him the sum of \$97,000, with more money to be added to this amount next spring. Davis is 75 years of age, has been sick and in feeble health for some time, and is still in poor physical condition. When he first came to Centerville and applied for aid from the county he had no money and was in an almost destitute condition, his relatives having turned him over to the charity of the world. It seems that Davis' good fortune is the result of his having "staked" his cousin, Jeremiah Davis, with \$500 in the west years ago. The cousin realized greatly on the amount invested and is now fulfilling his agreement to equally divide the profits which are supposed to have been made in railroading and mining.

An exceedingly fatal and disastrous wreck on the Iowa Central railway occurred at a point four miles south of Eldora, a few nights ago, and as a result four lives were lost and property exceeding \$30,000 in value was destroyed. The following is a list of the dead: John White, engineer of passenger, lived at Oskaloosa; William Frude, engineer, lived at Keithsburg; Bud Ogie, fireman, lived at Marshalltown; Frank Patten, fireman, lived at Liscomb. It is alleged that Engineer Frude had orders to take a single engine and proceed to Eldora to relieve a "dead" freight engine, and that he was ordered to wait at Gifford for the south bound passenger. It is supposed that he disobeyed orders, as he had left Gifford and met the passenger on a sharp curve one mile out of Gifford. Both trains were going at a rate of thirty miles an hour, and it is on account of Engineer John White staying at his post on the passenger engine and reversing his engine at the cost of his own life that more lives were not lost, as there were a number of passengers on the train.

A head-on collision occurred just west of Gifford on the Iowa Central a few nights ago. Both firemen were killed and both engines badly injured. C. M. Myers, banker, was picked up on a crossing at Anita in an unconscious condition, bleeding from several wounds about the head and face. He was carried to the residence of J. M. Briggs, where restoratives were applied and the old gentleman soon came to himself, but is unable to account for the accident. It is generally believed, however, that he was run into by a party of coasters, who seeing what they had done made their escape.

Members of Legislature and Families Entertained.

Knoxville, Feb. 16.—Nearly 250 members of the legislature, their wives and daughters, legislative employees and state officials visited Knoxville on a short excursion from Des Moines yesterday afternoon. They were feted and banqueted and entertained with the full measure of hospitality for which Marion county is distinguished. Nothing was left undone to impress the members of the assembly of the superior merits of the claims of Knoxville to a state normal school, to be located in the building established for the industrial home for the blind.

The excursion over the Burlington left Des Moines on the regular train, departing from there at 2:15. An ample supply of extra coaches had been provided. The arrival here was made promptly on schedule time, about 4:30 o'clock. At the train the visitors were met by a reception committee headed by John B. Elliott and by hundreds of citizens. A large supply of carriages and sleighs had been gathered by the citizens, and without delay all that desired were taken to the building of the industrial home for the blind, located about a mile from the city. There they were shown through the home, which is now unoccupied, and then driven back to the city, where at 6:30 a banquet was served by the citizens in the Odd Fellows' hall. The serving of the menu and the programme of toasts occupied several hours and the departure was not taken until nearly 11 o'clock, the train arriving at Des Moines at midnight.

ELECTION REFORM.

Representative Kerr Seeks to Limit Money Expended.

Des Moines, Feb. 15.—A bill introduced in the house by Kerr limits the amount of money to be expended by candidates for public office. The bill provides that candidates for representative in congress, any state or county office shall not expend in securing the nomination and election any amount in excess of a sum to be determined on the following basis: For 5,000 voters or less, \$100; for each 100 voters from 5,000 to 25,000 \$1.50; for each 100 voters from 25,000 to 50,000, \$1. Nothing additional for over 50,000 voters. Any additional expense shall be unlawful and invalidate the election of the party expending it. Sworn statements are to be filed with the county clerk fifteen days before election. Any candidate failing to file such a statement shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$1,000, and shall receive no certificate of election. Treasurers of political committees are also required to file sworn statements, stating how all money is expended.

Notwithstanding the decision of the Iowa supreme court in favor of property owners on Main street, Dubuque, in their refusal to pay for the improvement of the same, Archbishop Keane has sent in a check to the city treasurer for nearly two thousand dollars to pay for the improvement on the church property, although the assessment is declared to be illegal. Other Catholic institutions on Main street will probably do the same. The archbishop says the property has been rendered more valuable and it is only right it should be paid for.

The jury in the Mrs. A. G. Linhoff murder trial returned a verdict of manslaughter. Before the verdict was read the defendant, accompanied by her husband and sister and brother, arrived in the court room. As soon as the verdict was announced the defendant was so overcome that she broke completely down and sobbed in a convulsion. Her husband also mingled his tears with many of those present in the court room. A motion was at once made for a new trial, but the case was so elaborately entered into that it is not probable a new trial will be granted. The maximum penalty is eight years.

A decision was rendered at St. Louis a few days ago by Judges Caldwell, Thayer and Sanborn of the United States circuit court of appeals, releasing the Mutual Life Insurance company of New York from the obligation of paying \$7,500 to the widow of Edward S. Kelly, one of its policy holders, who committed suicide in Colfax, Ia., on February 21, 1895. The court of appeals reversed the decision of the United States circuit court of Iowa, which held that the insurance company was obliged to pay Mrs. Kelly the amount of the policy regardless of the clause in the contract guaranteeing that the holder of the policy would not take his life within two years of his insurance.

W. F. Reynolds, of Sioux Falls, S. D., has been indicted by the grand jury of Sioux county, Iowa, for the murder of Samuel Crafton, a colored missionary, which crime was committed on the second day of last August, near Ireton, in Sioux county. The indictment charges murder in the first degree. It is claimed that the colored preacher had money, and Reynolds knew the fact, and the preacher being blind, Reynolds offered to convey him in his music wagon from Hawarden to Ireton, and this was the last time the old preacher was ever seen alive. The body of the blind preacher was found in a farmer's corn field about a mile and a half from Ireton, some time in November, and Reynolds being the last person seen with him was suspected, and detectives were put on his trail with the result above stated. The evidence shows a very strong case against Reynolds, and Judge Oliver held him to bail in the sum of \$20,000 to appear at the March term of court. Reynolds was a musical instrument and sewing machine peddler and lives at Sioux Falls.

A fire occurred at Mitchellville resulting in the total loss of F. C. Miller's large new livery barn, entailing a loss of some \$4,000, with but \$900 insurance.

Miss Maude Soule, of Webster City, received a few days ago, through the mail, two diamond rings. It was her birthday. These very identical rings were stolen from her mysteriously months ago. No one knows who sent them. No one knows who stole them. The postmark on the package sent her cannot be read. The rings were valued at about \$200. The intrinsic value, however, was little compared to the sentiment attaching to them as gifts.

Introduces a Resolution for Inquiry in the Senate.

Des Moines, Feb. 15.—Senator Trewin sprang a surprise and something of a sensation in the legislature yesterday by the introduction of a concurrent resolution aimed at several of the state departments which have been lax in complying with the statute which requires them to make biennially to the state executive council an itemized statement, verified by oath of all salaries and expenses paid by such departments together with an account and printing and binding done. The Trewin resolution provides that the standing committees on retrenchment and reform in the legislature shall inquire into the cause of such neglect and report such proposed legislation as may be deemed necessary to secure the enforcement of the law.

The resolution went over under the rules, but leading members of the upper body stated that there was no question but that it would be adopted. The committee on retrenchment and reform referred to in the resolution is composed of the judiciary and appropriations committees of both houses. This committee is the one which reported the law requiring the above mentioned reports to be made, when it was placed on the statute books of the state two years ago.

Before that time a provision for such reports had been made by the previous general assembly, but it was found that the provisions were not specific enough and the law was evaded. Two years ago what was deemed a sweeping statute covering the subject was passed, with the idea that there would be no future trouble in securing the desired reports.

FOUL CRIME OF A FIEND.

Little Girl Criminally Assaulted By Ed Davidson, Near Eddyville.

Ottumwa, Feb. 15.—Edward Davidson, of Pekay, a small mining town on the Keokuk & Des Moines road twenty miles north of here, is accused of rape upon the person of Katie Gallagher, the 12-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gallagher, who live half a mile north of Eddyville and two miles from his home. Davidson was arrested by Marshal Beeman, of Eddyville, and taken to jail there, but a mob of fifty gathered and tried to lynch him. Sheriff Cremer, of this city, went to Eddyville and brought him to Ottumwa for safe keeping. The mob talked of following, but it did not, and it is not thought that there will be any trouble. The girl, who was unable to leave her bed to identify the man, says he overtook her as she was walking home from Eddyville, after having made some purchases for her parents in the town. Davidson was driving, and offered her a ride, she says, and when they came to the parting of two roads she got out of the buggy and took one, while he continued on the other. He is said to have hitched his horse and overtaken the girl, committed the outrage and gone on home. Davidson was arrested at home and a bloody suit of underclothing which he is said to have just taken off was also found at his home. He denies his guilt, but the officers believe they have the right man.

RUSSIA IS SATISFIED.

Accepted the Views of the Independence of China and of Corea.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 15.—The Russian official view of the Anglo-Japanese treaty was communicated to the correspondent of the Associated Press today as follows: "We accept the news of the entente, with the complete equality and are very happy to ascertain that England and Japan are pledged to maintain the integrity of China and the independence of Corea, two principles which Russia was first to establish as the basis of her foreign policy in the Orient. Russia would have willingly subscribed to the agreements in the preamble. The English-Japanese say that their convention has only essentially pacific aims. This makes it all the more astonishing when they speak of war and coalitions. What power there is in view we cannot say. But in any case, if peace is menaced in the extreme orient, Russia, for her part, cannot fail to take all the measures necessary to guard her interests. All Russia's conventions with Japanese have aimed at the preservation of the integrity of China and the independence of Corea, and it is true that Minister Kurino came to us immediately to communicate the text of the agreement and give the most amicable assurances. We have reason to believe that it is not true that America, with whom we remain in perfect accord, is a silent partner in the affair. We have given America positive assurance that Russia will do nothing to disturb the interests of America in China. We do not believe Americans are anxious about the situation.

"We have received sufficient assurance that America is not taking any steps against us in China."

Organized Band of Thieves.

Clinton, Feb. 15.—Farmers in the vicinity of Elvira, this county, report an organized band of thieves operating in that vicinity, and corn, chickens, hogs and provisions have been stolen at a number of places. Cellars have been entered and canned fruit and potatoes have been carried away. Recently a load of hay was stolen and the thieves were traced to this city, where they sold their ill-gotten booty and were away before their identity could be detected. The farmers say that if the thieves are caught they will take the matter of punishment into their own hands.

While enjoying a good book in the parlor one afternoon, the Rev. Clinton Locke, who was for nearly a half century pastor at Grace Episcopal church in Chicago, noticed a woman coming up the front steps whom he particularly despised. The doctor fled precipitately, leaving his wife to meet the caller. After a half hour had passed, Dr. Locke came out of his study and listened at the head of the stair. Hearing nothing below, he called down to his wife: "Has that horrible old bore gone yet?" The caller was still there. Mrs. Locke was equal to the emergency, however, and she called back: "Yes, dear, she went nearly an hour ago. Mrs. A. is here now."

Des Moines, Feb. 12.—The biennial election amendment was made a special order for Friday.

The bill to permit banks and trust companies to act as guardians, executors, receivers, assignees, etc., came up and a sharp debate ensued in which Healy, Trewin, Garst took part. It was referred to the judiciary committee. Three bills by Healy were passed: To require notice to the heirs, devisees, and legatees of an estate of claims filed against it by executors or administrators; requiring divorce petitions to be filed at least ten days before the first day of the term of court at which the hearing is had; and to legalize transfers of real estate in which one spouse has acted under power of attorney of the other. Among bills introduced were the following: By Hayward, requiring franchises to be offered to the highest bidder; by Garst, to define and tax freight line and equipment companies as railroads are now assessed and taxed.

House.—The Fields-Cottrell contest was decided in favor of Fields. Kerr of Grundy offered a resolution in memory of Abraham Lincoln, which was adopted. Whiting of Monona presented resolutions in memory of Hon. Lemuel R. Boston, which were adopted after brief talks by Messrs. Whiting and Temple concerning the life of the deceased. The bill providing for the retention of inmates of the Girls' Industrial school until they are 21, was passed. Among bills introduced were the following: By Kooztz, providing that the words railway, railway company, railway corporation, railroad, railroad company, etc., shall apply to railroads operated by electricity; by Hamann, amending section 2026 and providing that interurbans shall have the rights that commercial railroads now have, including the right to condemn a right of way not to exceed 100 feet in width; also providing that the board of supervisors may permit the railway to run along the public highway if two-thirds of the owners of abutting property consent. Also provides that interurbans may incorporate for fifty years and may cross railway tracks.

Des Moines, Feb. 14.—Senate.—The senate passed the Harriman resolution to amend the constitution and increase the number of representatives to 110. It also provides for a reapportionment of the senatorial districts of the state. This resolution has been introduced in the house by Representative Temple. The senate committee on constitutional amendments reported the woman suffrage amendment for passage. There was practically no opposition to it in the committee, only one vote being against the measure. Alexander's bill, authorizing savings banks to receive deposits and make loans to twenty times instead of ten times their capital stock, was passed. Among bills introduced were the following: By public health committee, to amend section 5272, giving the state board of health power over local conditions over which local boards do not exercise control; by Trewin, to amend section 120 requiring the secretary of state to certify to departments of the state quarterly the character and amount for printing and binding, for that department to be used as the basis for the statement of expenditures of money by the department; by Wilson, to amend section 5702, to provide that convict made goods shall not be sold in Iowa in competition with Iowa made goods.

House.—The house passed the following bills: By Buchanan, regulating speed and providing for registry of automobiles; by Marshall, providing that attorneys may be appointed to defend and may receive compensation for defending parties charged with indicated misdemeanors; by Edwards, prescribing a penalty of from ten years to life imprisonment for kidnapping for the purpose of ransom.

Des Moines, Feb. 14.—Senate.—After discussion of the biennial elections constitutional amendment the senate sent it to the judiciary committee, which referred it to a subcommittee composed of Hubbard, Courtright, Blanchard, Molsberry and Porter. The objection was made to it on the floor that it included legislative matters and was defective in omitting a class of officials whose terms are extended by its provisions. Senator Molsberry said in his speech that the impression prevails that the general assemblies of two and four years ago tried to work a confidence game on the people by submitting this amendment in defective form. He hoped the present assembly would make it perfect. The subcommittee was directed to examine it carefully. The senate defeated the bill to permit savings banks to lend money outside of the state. The judiciary committee also killed the bill to allow state and savings banks to act as administrators, guardians, and executors. Bills were introduced to give the state labor commissioner full powers to inspect factories in Iowa and to require reports from labor employing firms.

House.—In the house the bill to require the residence of all three appraisers of fire losses in the county in which the loss occurs, in case of adjustment of insurance by arbitration, was defeated, but motions to reconsider were filed. The committee on judiciary decided to report for passage the bill of Seor, placing all homes for children and charitable institutions of that character in Iowa under supervision of the state board of control. The house passed the bill making it a crime for a farm tenant to sell the grain he grows in which the lord's lease covers it as if lien for rent. The committee on highways reported a committee bill requiring road taxes to be paid in cash and making

British Army Estimates.

London, Feb. 17.—The army estimates, show a grand total for the year 1902-3 of \$346,550,000, which is intended to provide for 420,000 men, of which 219,700 men are for the ordinary army service and 200,300 for war service. The estimates, of which \$200,000,000 is required for war, show a decrease under this head of \$23,230,000 compared with 1901-2. In a memorandum the war secretary, Mr. Broderick, explains that the estimates are sufficient to maintain a field force in South Africa of the present strength or eight or nine months of the new financial year.

Des Moines, Feb. 17.—Senate.—S. F. 192 was made a special order for Tuesday at 10:30. It extends the power of the state board of health over localities in which the local boards fail to enforce quarantine and vaccination in contagious diseases. A quorum was present during none of today's session. S. F. 217 was introduced by Harriman and went to agriculture. It relates to and provides for draining swamp lands in Iowa.

House.—The bill increasing the support fund of the College for the Blind at Vinton to \$22 per month for nine months in the year, was taken up and discussed, but owing to the small number of members present action was postponed until Thursday. Fields, called up H. F. 130, amending section 1647 of the code, to prohibit the taking of fish from the Big Sioux river except with hook and line. The bill passed. Wilson of Buena Vista called up H. E. 121, removing the limit on fees to be charged by the secretary of state for filing articles of incorporation. At present the maximum fee is \$2,000. The bill passed.

Wright called up H. F. 195, amending section 106 of the code, relative to the time of settlement of the auditor of the state with the treasurer of state, making it at definite periods. The bill passed. Among the bills introduced were the following: Providing that express companies shall make reports to executive council at same time as telephone companies; making appropriation increasing the per capita allowance for the inmates of the Industrial School at Eldora from \$9 to \$11 per month; providing for a bacteriologist, who shall be a physician and director of the state board of health bacteriological laboratory, and who is to receive a salary of \$5,000 per year; increase appropriation for health department from \$5,000 to \$7,000 per year.

Des Moines, Feb. 17.—Senate.—Several legalizing acts were passed. A bill was introduced in the senate providing for a fishway over the Bonaparte dam in the Des Moines river, which now prevents Mississippi river fish from coming north.

House.—In the house, the time was devoted to a discussion of the Cummings bill to increase the salaries of the supreme judges from \$4,000 to \$6,000. An amendment to place it at \$5,000 was defeated by a narrow margin. The house judiciary committee decided to report for passage the bill defining habitual criminals and which is designed to reach persons engaged in safe blowing. It is the measure fathered by A. U. Quint, of the Bankers' Mutual Casualty company.

TREATY FORMALLY RATIFIED.

Senate Adopted Agreement for Purchase of Danish West Indies.

Washington, Feb. 18.—Yesterday, in a little more than an hour's time, the senate disposed of the treaty with Denmark ceding to the United States, for a consideration of \$5,000,000, the islands of St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix, composing the group of the Antilles known as the Danish West Indies and lying just east of Porto Rico, and thus, so far as this country is concerned, consummated a transaction which has been under consideration intermittently since the administration of President Lincoln. The treaty and the report on it were read at length and more or less discussion of the proposition was indulged in. Senator Cullom, as chairman of the committee on foreign relations, made a speech explaining the advantages of the acquisition of the islands, and Senators Bacon and McLaurin, of Mississippi, made brief remarks, saying that while they could not endorse all the provisions of the agreement, they would place no obstacles in the way of ratification. At the conclusion of Senator Cullom's remarks his motion to ratify was adopted by a viva

2,000 KILLED IN EARTHQUAKE.

Details of the Shamaka Disaster Are Slowly Arriving.

Baku, Transcaucasia, Feb. 18.—Details which are slowly arriving from Babu Shamaka, shows that 2,000 persons, mostly women and children perished as a result of the earthquake last week and that four thousand houses were destroyed. Thirty-four villages of the country surrounding Shamaka also suffered. To add to the terrors of the neighborhood, a volcano near the village of Marasy, eastward of Shamaka, has broken into active eruption. A great crevasse has appeared from whence immense flames and streams of lava are being thrown out. The course of the river Geochaikha has been altered in consequence of its bed being dammed with earth which has been disturbed by the earthquake. Battalions of guards and detachments of soldiers with tents have been dispatched to Shamaka to aid in the work of rescue. The Red Cross society is active in alleviating distress.

PRINCE HENRY ON HIS WAY.

Starts for America With a Mission of Good Will.

Bremerhaven, Feb. 16.—Prince Henry sailed for New York at 3:43 p. m. yesterday.

Kiel, Feb. 16.—What looked like half of Kiel's population assembled at the railway station to bid farewell to Prince Henry at 8 o'clock yesterday morning. Also at the station were Admirals von Arnim and von Koester, fourteen other naval officers of high rank and a large guard of marines. On the platform of the station the prince kissed the princess, his wife, and stood uncovered at the head of the rear steps of the car, in spite of the sharp, wintry air, until the train was out of the station.

Release of Miss Stone.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The state department has received cable advices concerning the report that the ransom money for Miss Stone has been paid to the brigand captors. It is not known when her release will occur, but it is understood the brigands have made a condition that they shall have a period of one week or ten days in which to make sure their safe retreat before the prisoner is delivered up.

Handsome men gifted with good sense are equally as scarce as clever pretty women.