

APPEAL FOR SCHLEY.

President Grants His Request After an Interview.

TO BE ON NEW LINES.

He Informed the President of Many Details Which Were Impossible for Him to Learn Otherwise. Appeal Being Prepared.

Washington, Jan. 8.—The object of Admiral Schley's visit to the White House Monday was to request the president to entertain and consider an appeal for the reversal of the action of Secretary Long and disapproval of the majority judgment of the court of inquiry. The interview was satisfactory, the president granting the admiral's request. Messrs. Raynor and Teague will assist Admiral Schley in the preparation of his appeal.

The interview with the president was arranged in advance and at its conclusion Admiral Schley left the White House satisfied in mind. He was given full opportunity to present the case from his standpoint and to acquaint the president with many details of which the latter could not have any knowledge. While Admiral Schley would not make any statement regarding the matter discussed, holding that an interview between a naval officer and his commander-in-chief should be regarded as confidential, it is understood he brought to the president's attention many of the alleged injustices, and discrepancies of the majority report of the court of inquiry and Admiral Schley's interview with the president was the result of his determination to exhaust every means in his power to overturn the judgment which had been rendered against him.

His new appeal will be different from that submitted to the navy department, bringing out some new facts which have important bearing upon the controversy.

BILL OF COMPLAINT.

Steps Taken to Prevent Consolidation of Northwestern and Northern Pacific.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Attorney General Wallace D. Douglas of Minnesota, has filed in the United States supreme court a bill of complaint in the case of the state of Minnesota complainant against the Northern Securities company, defendant. It recites the proposed merger of the Northern Pacific and Great Northern, and transfer of stock to the Northern Securities company, and prays for an injunction to restrain the company from acquiring any control or interfering in any way with the affairs of the railroads in question.

Important Investigation.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—What is expected to be one of the most interesting missions ever held has begun here. Commissioners will listen to testimony concerning freight rates and alleged discrimination of connection with packing house products. The investigation was a continuance of the one begun last spring. Public interest is centered in the endeavor to get some light on the effect of the recent railroad mergers on rate situation. It is said investigation will ultimately reach the Southern and Union Pacific lines, the Pennsylvania, Baltimore and Ohio, and Chesapeake and Ohio.

New York's New Marriage Law.

New York, Jan. 8.—The first contract marriage under the new Weeks' law was filed Monday with the city clerk. This contract certificate is an agreement between a man and a woman to live together as man and wife. Under the law any contract signed by the contracting parties, witnessed by a commissioner of deeds and filed with the city clerk within a month thereof, legalizes the marriage and the progeny also.

Both Steamers Sink.

Lisbon, Jan. 8.—The British steamer Aldous from Newport December 15 for Gibraltar, and the Spanish steamer Vilevia, both loaded with coal, collided Sunday night off Aveiro, Portugal. Both vessels sank. Eighteen men of Aldous and one man belonging to the Vilevia, were drowned. Twenty-four members of the Vilevia's crew and the captain of Aldous were picked up.

Prominent New Yorker Dead.

New York, Jan. 8.—John C. Hester O'Brien, a brother of ex-Sheriff O'Brien, is dead. He was formerly a member of the Stock Exchange and an intimate friend of the late George I. Zony and ex-Senator Calvin S. Brice.

Killed by an Explosion.

Idaho Springs, Col., Jan. 8.—As a result of a premature explosion of powder blasts in the Newhouse tunnel, two men are dead, another is fatally injured and two others are in a serious condition.

The Franchise Granted.

Waxahachie, Tex., Jan. 10.—At the meeting of the city council an ordinance was adopted granting a franchise to A. T. Byars and associates to enter and operate a trolley line in this city, being the Waxahachie terminus of the projected Waxahachie and Ennis trolley line.

Payee's Nomination Ratified.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The senate committee on postoffices has authorized favorable report upon the nomination of Hon. H. C. Payne as postmaster general.

THE EXCLUSION ACT.

New Bill to Keep Chinese Out of the United States.

NO LIMIT TO MEASURE

If Passed as Prepared the Act Becomes Perpetual Unless Repealed—Bill Restricting Immigration Introduced in the House.

Washington, Jan. 8.—The senators and representatives, especially those on the Pacific coast, who have been considering a bill for Chinese exclusion have perfected a measure which will be introduced in both houses in a few days. If passed in its present form it would be perpetual unless repealed.

The bill declares that all Chinese, other than citizens of the United States or those who are secured in coming to and residing in the United States under the present treaty with China, shall be refused admission and returned to the country whence they came at the expense of the transportation company bringing them. Penalties are provided for not complying with the provisions of the act, \$1000 and one year's imprisonment being the minimum, with a liability to forfeiture of vessels violating the law. The only Chinese persons permitted to enter the United States are those who have become citizens by birth and naturalization, and officials of the Chinese government, teachers, students, merchants, travelers for pleasure or curiosity, returning laborers, who must have certificate, or domiciled merchants. Such Chinese coming must have certificates with a photograph attached.

No Chinese except diplomatic or consular officers, are allowed to enter the United States at any other ports than San Francisco, Port Townsend, Wash.; Portland, Ore.; Boston, New York, New Orleans, Honolulu, San Juan and Manila or such other ports as the secretary of the treasury may designate. Ports may be designated on the Canadian or Mexican boundary after contracts have been made with transportation lines to comply with the act.

No Chinese person in Hawaii or Porto Rico or the Philippines shall by reason thereof be entitled to enter or remain in the United States or any of their territory other than in which he was in the first instance permitted to enter or remain.

The words "United States" in this act mean the United States and their territories and possessions. Provision is made for the registration of all Chinese now in the United States. All registered Chinese shall have a certificate with photograph attached and those without certificates at the end of six months shall be deported.

No Army Legislation.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Representative Hull, chairman of the house committee on military affairs, says there will be no move at this session of congress for a revision of the present army organization, or for any broad general legislation affecting the army.

Government of Philippines.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Representative Cooper of Wisconsin, chairman of the house committee on insular affairs, has introduced a bill giving complete form of civil government for the Philippines, to begin January 1, 1904, with a governor appointed by the president, legislature of two houses and with two Philippine commissioners to represent the Philippines at Washington.

Newspaper Men Prayed For.

Washington, Jan. 8.—In the course of his invocation in the senate yesterday the chaplain referred to "that body of able and accomplished men who send forth reports of the proceedings." Among the oldest senators and officials of that body it was noted that this was the first time in the history of the senate, that reporters and correspondents were prayed for in the United States senate.

Nicaragua Canal Bill.

Washington, Jan. 8.—There was a fairly large attendance in the galleries of the house yesterday in anticipation of the opening of the debate on the Nicaraguan canal bill, which had been made the special order. By terms of the order the bill continues before the house until disposed of.

Bronze Tablet for Schley.

Washington, Jan. 8.—Another Schley resolution has been introduced in the house by Representative Schirm of Maryland. It provides an appropriation of \$12,000 for bronze tablets commemorating six great naval victories, beginning with those of John Paul Jones in 1797 and closing with the battle of Santiago Bay, "Commodore Winfield Schley, commanding," in 1898.

Restricting Immigration.

Washington, Jan. 8.—A bill restricting immigration has been introduced by Representative Dalzell of Pennsylvania. It materially increases the disabilities of alien immigrants. Among those it excludes are "persons who have been engaged in any plot against any government or any of its officers, or who are anarchists, polygamists, nihilists or members of any secret society whose constitution or compact is contrary to the constitution of the United States."

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