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THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

CAPE GIRARDEAU. - MISSOURI.

The Belgian government has issued invitations to a sugar conference.

Rev. C. H. Dodson, whose nom de plume is Lewis Carroll, the author of "Alice in Wonderland," died in London on the 14th.

The state department and Senor Dupuy De Lome, the Spanish minister, both expressed the opinion, on the 17th, that the trouble at Havana had blown over.

Bread riots, with damage to property and 50 arrests, were reported from Ancona, Italy, on the 18th. The military bakers were distributing bread to persons without food.

A call was issued, on the 18th, for a pure food and drug congress, to meet at the National hotel in Washington city, March 20, for the purpose of urging congress to pass a pure food and anti-adulteration law.

Representative Bland, of Missouri, introduced a free coinage bill in the house, on the 18th. It makes gold and silver the standard and declares all rules discriminating against the legal tender of such coinage unlawful.

During the week ended on the 14th failures throughout the United States, as reported by R. G. Dun & Co., were 349, against 455 for the corresponding week last year. For Canada the failures were 45, against 71 last year.

Mrs. Harriet Shafter, wife of Brig-Gen. Wm. E. Shafter, commanding the department of California, died at her home at Fort Mason, Cal., on the 14th, after a short illness. She was stricken by paralysis, and never recovered consciousness.

Being granted an audience with the sultan, on the 14th, the Russian ambassador declared that unless Turkey withdrew her opposition to Prince George of Greece for governor of Crete, Russia would propose the annexation of Crete to Greece.

Among the passengers who arrived at New York on the steamer La Normandie, on the 16th, were M. Pellet, French minister to Guatemala; M. Meron, French consul general at Chicago, and Mme. Meron, and E. N. Whitehouse, U. S. N.

Hon. Benjamin Butterworth, United States commissioner of patents, who had been ill at Piney Woods hotel in Thomasville, Ga., several weeks, died on the 16th. The end was peaceful, and when it came his wife and children were at his bedside.

Instead of \$30,000,000, at which the estate of the late Senator Fair, of California, had been estimated, its value, as shown by itemized figures, is \$12,228,908.07. The figures are the result of 11 months of examination and research on the part of the appraisers.

Gen. Wm. Booth, the head of the Salvation army, reached New York city, on the 15th, on board the steamer St. Paul from Southampton. The general was met down the bay by Commander Booth-Tucker. On the pier a large delegation of headquarter salvationists awaited their chief.

Money is flowing to New York from the west and from Canada, that from the latter place in the shape of gold. During the ten days ended the 15th, the Canadian Bank of Commerce of New York had received \$250,000 in gold from Canada, and the branch of the Bank of Montreal \$400,000 in gold.

An agent of the Canadian government, named Lewis, is in Denmark organizing an expedition for the relief of the miners in the Yukon valley, similar to the one undertaken by Dr. Sheldon Jackson, in behalf of the United States government. Six Laplanders and 114 reindeer are said to be en route.

On the 18th the students of Lyons, France, made a riotous demonstration in front of the synagogue and the Jewish shops, breaking shop windows and raising menacing shouts. The police had great difficulty in dispersing them. Hand-to-hand encounters were frequent and there were many arrests.

At the exposition grounds at Omaha, Neb., on the night of the 18th, where there was not enough ice to cool a cocktail, Miss Mildred Stephenson was crowned Queen Polaris and the ice carnival was formally opened. Everything was there but the ice, and the carnival programme was carried out so far as could be under the weather conditions.

The statement of the associated banks of New York city for the week ended on the 15th showed the following changes: Surplus, reserve, increase, \$3,702,200; loans, increase, \$1,215,700; specie, increase, \$2,050,500; legal tenders, increase, \$3,158,800; deposits, increase, \$6,204,000; circulation, increase, \$480,600.

The chief of the bureau of animal industry, Dr. D. E. Salmon, has submitted to the secretary of the interior a report upon the experiments made in the treatment of swine for hog cholera with anti-toxine serum, in which the result showed 82.8 per cent. of animals saved, against 15 per cent. in droves not treated with the serum.

The Society of Sugar Producers at a special meeting in Berlin, on the 16th, adopted a resolution declaring that abolition of bounties would only be acceptable provided all countries abolished both direct and indirect bounties. A further resolution was adopted calling upon the government to give the sugar producers a year's notice.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

In the senate, on the 15th, the pension appropriation bill was reported and placed on the calendar. The immigration bill was taken up, and Senator Caffery (La.) spoke in opposition, at the conclusion of which the senate went into executive session on the Hawaiian treaty.

In the house, the agricultural appropriation bill was taken up, a protracted discussion of the seed distribution and provision of the bill resulted in the retention of the clause. An amendment continuing the publication of the "Horse Book" was adopted.

In the senate, on the 15th, Mr. Hoar presented a resolution providing for the submission to the various state legislatures of an amendment to the constitution of the United States, providing that the term of office of president and the present congress shall continue until the 30th day of April 1901, which was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

In the senate, on the 17th, Senator Wolcott delivered his long-delayed speech, embodying a report of the bimetallic commission's negotiations in Europe relative to international bimetallicism. Mr. Foraker presented the resolutions of Senator-elect Hanna and the oath of office was administered by the vice-president.

The immigration bill was taken up and discussed until three o'clock, amended and passed. In the house, it being district of Columbia day, a few bills of local importance were passed and the remainder of the session was devoted to consideration of the army appropriation bill.

In the senate, on the 15th, at the conclusion of routine business, the urgent deficiency bill, carrying \$1,914,810, was taken up and passed, soon after which the senate went into executive session. In the house a resolution was offered by Mr. De Armond (dem., Mo.) as an amendment to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill, recognizing the Cuban insurgents as belligerents, and for a time it looked as if the resolution would be adopted.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

One of the new counterfeit \$100 silver certificates was handed in at the New York sub-treasury, on the 14th, from a New York bank which had received it from a savings bank in Brooklyn. The note was handled by three tellers before its spuriousness was detected.

The steamer Umbria, sailing from New York for Europe, on the 15th, took out 600,000 ounces of silver.

A concurrent resolution was introduced in the New York assembly, on the 14th, proposing a woman suffrage amendment to the state constitution.

The United States government is to establish a carrier pigeon loft in Atlantic City, N. J., to be used in connection with the naval service.

Gen. Christopher Colver Auger, U. S. A., retired, died of old age at his home in West Washington, D. C. on the night of the 16th.

The United States gunboat Marietta sailed from San Francisco, on the 16th, for the west coast of South America. She will remain in the neighborhood of Panama for several months, possibly longer.

Joel Putnam, a retired shoe manufacturer, of Danvers, Mass., committed suicide, on the 15th, by shooting.

There were outbreaks promoted by students at Prague, on the 16th, together with a socialist demonstration, which the police dispersed.

Gen. William Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation army, and Balington Booth met at the Windsor hotel, New York, on the 16th, in the presence of Rev. Dr. Josiah Strong and Rev. Charles Cuthbert-Hall. The interview was purely as between father and son. Nothing transpired calculated to lead to any amalgamation of the two movements.

Counsel-General Lee's advice to the state department are conservative, but set forth the present situation clearly. He does not recommend immediate intervention, yet he does not take a hopeful view of the ability of the Spanish authorities to permanently restore public order.

Seven train loads, amounting to 4,750 bales of Texas cotton have arrived in Tacoma, Wash., for shipment to China and Japan on the steamers of the Northern Pacific line.

Policeman Delmar S. Gardner, of New York city, who has sprung into fame as heir to a \$70,000 fortune, is determined not to let his head be turned by this unexpected stroke of luck. He intends to retain his position and invest the money.

The charges against Capt. Oberlin M. Carter, of the regular army, now being investigated by court-martial at Savannah, Ga., are of the most startling kind. The total alleged defalcation, according to the statement of the war department, amounts to over \$3,000,000.

Mrs. Lucille Lane, the youngest daughter of former Senator Jo S. Blackburn, of Kentucky, shot herself in a room at the Wellington hotel, Washington, inflicting probably a fatal wound. Members of the family claim it was an accident.

Logan Carlisle, chief clerk of the treasury department during the last Cleveland administration, died suddenly, on the 16th, at the home of his father, John G. Carlisle, ex-secretary of the treasury, in New York city.

The republican leaders of the house have reached an understanding to make the present session of congress as short as possible. They are putting through the appropriation bills with unusual rapidity.

The firm of Macy & Pendleton, bankers and brokers of New York city, made an assignment, on the 17th, to Harold G. Cortis. The firm had three offices in the city, and memberships in the New York stock, produce, cotton and coffee exchanges, and is composed of Chas. C. Macy and Wm. F. Pendleton.

Mr. Hon. Charles Pelham Villiers, member of the British parliament from South Wolverhampton, and known as the "Father of the House of Commons," having sat continuously since 1835, died on the 16th.

On the 17th Senator Foraker reported from the committee on Pacific railroads a bill authorizing the president, if necessary for the protection of the government, to bid for the Kansas Pacific at the coming sale.

A discharge hospital clerk in Havana, named Pican, fired two shots at Marios Garcia, governor of Santa Clara province, Cuba, at a ball game in Havana on the 17th. Neither shot took effect.

A special dispatch from Rome says there was a severe earthquake shock at Argenta, 18 miles southeast of Ferrara, on the 17th.

J. J. Hill, of the Great Northern, has notified President Brigeman of Hamline university, St. Paul, Minn., that he would give \$20,000 for the purpose of raising the \$10,000 debt against the college, provided other friends of the institution would collect the remaining \$10,000.

The situation in Cuba has reached that point now where the safety of the Spanish government officials appears to depend solely on the possibility of American interference. If it were not for this possibility, it is said, the volunteers and regular army officers would run Blanco out of Havana inside of a week.

The United States supreme court has handed down a decision declaring that where a suicide is shown to be of sound mind when committing the act of self-destruction no recovery could be made upon a life insurance policy carried by the deceased.

The great flight of the New England cotton mill operatives against reduction of wages began on the 17th, and where it will end no one can foresee. Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut are involved.

Speaker Mason of the Ohio house of representatives, on the 17th, appointed a committee to investigate the alleged attempt to bribe Representative Otis of Hamilton county, to vote for Marcus A. Hanna for senator.

Among the arrivals in New York city from Cuba, on the 17th, was Augustin Cassio, the father of Angelina Cassio y Cisneros. Cassio was released by Gen. Blanco on January 9.

In the trial of Capt. Edward Murphy, at Wilmington, Del., on the 18th, on the charge of filibustering, Senator Gray addressed the jury for the defendant, making a strong plea for acquittal. District Attorney Vandergrift made the closing argument for the government.

Bicycle policeman Frederick N. Lincoln, of New York, aged 22 years, was instantly killed, on the 18th, in a collision with a pedestrian, Julius Hirschberg. Hirschberg was so badly injured that he was removed to his home unconscious.

Forty persons were killed and 18 injured, on the 18th, by an explosion of gas in one of the mines of the Donetzky company, in the Taganrog district of Russia, on the north side of the sea of Azov.

Scott Leighton, the well-known Boston artist, died at the McLean asylum, Waverly, Mass., on the 18th. Leighton's fame rested on his talent in animal painting.

The steamship Normandie, from Havre for New York, brought \$700,000 in gold, on the 18th, consigned to New York banking houses, in transit to Cuba.

Exports to America from north Germany showed a falling off during the last quarter of \$3,281,814, principally in sugar.

The island of Jamaica was, on the 18th, declared free from yellow fever.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

In the senate, on the 19th, a resolution offered by Mr. Hoar (Miss.) providing for an inquiry into the reduction of the force of letter carriers, was the subject of an animated debate. The resolution was still pending when the senate adjourned. In the house the question of granting belligerent rights to the Cuban insurgents was argued in an attempt by the minority to force the passage of the senate resolution, which was defeated by a strict party vote.

Gen. Luque reports that while reconnoitering during ten days in the San Martin district of Holguin, Cuba, he inflicted a loss of 30 men killed on the insurgents, captured seven prisoners, 28 rifles and a quantity of ammunition. The Spanish column, according to Gen. Luque had one man killed and 21 wounded.

Gen. Christopher Auger, U. S. A., retired, was buried with military honors at Arlington cemetery, near Washington, on the 19th. Funeral services were held at St. John's church, the remains being borne on a caisson draped with the flag under which he had fought through two wars and a score of Indian campaigns.

There is a prospect that the prisoners in the West Virginia state penitentiary may have to be turned loose or kept in the institution and starved. All the money appropriated for the maintenance of the prison was exhausted January 1, and the supplies then on hand have been exhausted. The National guard of Missouri will collect money to aid in relieving suffering in Cuba. On the 19th Adjutant-General Bell appointed a committee from the N. G. M., and issued an appeal to the people for subscriptions. Gen. Milton Moore, of Kansas City, will receive all subscriptions.

A special dispatch from Pelcin says China is ready to open three new treaty ports, and to agree to an extension of railway into Yun-Nan province, but declines to consent to the exclusion of other powers than England from the Yank-tee-Kiang valley. Senator Turpie introduced a joint resolution in the senate, on the 19th, for the appointment of a commission to make a survey for a ship canal from the lower shore of Lake Michigan to the Washab river.

Capt. Murphy, who was on trial in the United States district court at Wilmington, Del., charged with filibustering in connection with the Laurada, was, on the 19th, declared not guilty by the jury.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Tornado in Taney County. Taney county was visited by the tornado that devastated Fort Smith, Ark., or at least a branch of it.

Heavy clouds, accompanied by vivid flashes of lightning and a continuous roar of thunder, materialized in a most destructive tornado. The greatest damage was done in the vicinity of Bradleville, in the northwestern corner of the county. Many houses, barns and outbuildings were wrecked, while the timber was twisted into kindling wood for miles.

The house of J. F. Jackson, a log structure, was totally wrecked. The falling logs pinned Mrs. Jackson so that every effort of her husband to release her proved fruitless. One log rested across her throat, and before sufficient assistance could be procured to raise the heavy timber the women was choked to death.

Henry Adams' frame house was blown 60 feet up a hillside and totally demolished. His wife was seriously injured.

Wm. Hunk's and W. C. Huntsman's houses and barns were demolished. Nearly every house and barn in that neighborhood received more or less damage, and many persons were more or less seriously injured. Hogs and other stock were killed.

The roads in every direction were blocked with fallen timber.

Recent Deaths. John Bauer, aged 78, was found dead in bed at Jefferson City.

Mrs. Nancy Margaret McAdams, aged 72, who had lived in Springfield since 1855, suddenly died of heart failure.

I. W. Taylor, a prominent citizen of Maryville, from a stroke of paralysis, at Excelsior Springs.

G. M. Inness, aged 56, suddenly, at Excelsior Springs.

Judge George W. Lee, aged 75, one of the pioneers of Pettis county, at his home in Lamotte, after a three days' illness, from hemorrhage.

Mrs. Charles A. Westerheide, suddenly, at Hannibal. She was ill but an hour.

Missouri at the Omaha Exposition. A large delegation of representative Missourians, comprising the members of the Missouri exposition committee and business men from St. Louis, Kansas City and St. Joseph, visited Omaha, Neb., the other day, to inspect the grounds and buildings of the Trans-Mississippi exposition.

The delegation was met at the depot by a reception committee, and taken through the grounds, where they expressed astonishment and admiration at the progress attained by the work of construction. They dined as the guests of the executive committee, and after a general session, raised \$50,000 by private subscription to defray the cost of a Missouri exhibit. According to the preliminary plan two buildings will be erected for Missouri on the bluff tract, one as a general state building, and the other for a co-terminus. The visitors left for their homes, enthusiastic over the advantages assured by participation in the exposition.

Benton and Blair Statues Unveiled. The commission appointed by the state of Missouri to examine the statues of Benton and Blair unveiled them in Statuary hall, in the capitol at Washington, and they are now subjects of general admiration of visitors.

These statues occupy a prominent place in the hall, the bronze likeness of Thomas Jefferson standing between them. A statue of Washington stands at the right of Benton, and Baker, of California, is at the left of Blair. Both the Missouri senators and all the members of the delegation examined the gift of Missouri to congress. The monument is in the main very flattering to the artist, Gen. Gutzler and Col. Birch, who knew the subjects in life, especially were pleased with the statues.

Ended His Career. James Morrison shot and killed Henry Woods at Ava, Douglas county.

The killing was the result of a drunken spree. Woods was from Marion county, Ark., and had been the leading spirit among the young men who have been a terror to religious, public and literary meetings and country dances. Woods and Marion Wiley had had a row, and Morrison sought to settle the difficulty between them. Woods then attempted to strike Morrison with an iron bar, and Morrison shot him. The first shot was wild, but the two succeeding shots took effect in the head, and Woods fell dead. Morrison surrendered and was placed in the custody of the sheriff. Morrison is superintendent of the county farm and at one time acted as deputy sheriff.

State Fair Circuit. Representatives of nearly all of the county fairs in the state met at Nevada for the purpose of forming a state fair circuit.

The officers elected are John T. Weathers, Rich Hill, president, and S. T. Broadbent, Rich Hill, secretary. The following dates were set: Benton.....August 16-19 Holden.....August 23-26 Harrisonville.....August 30-September 2 Rich Hill.....September 6-9 Nevada.....September 13-16 Lamar.....September 20-23 Springfield.....October 4-11

To Oust Judge Bland. Atty-Gen. E. C. Crow, a few days ago, at Jefferson City, filed in the supreme court in banc application for a writ of ouster to deprive Judge C. C. Bland of the office of judge of the St. Louis court of appeals, and a judgment in favor of Roderick Komaner, the republican candidate for the place. Judge Bland is charged with various violations of the corrupt practices act.

Gov. Stephens was notified the other day by the clerk of Phelps county that John P. Harrison, clerk of the county court, had abandoned his office and left the county, thus creating a vacancy in that office. To fill the vacancy the governor appointed B. H. Rucker.

A Boy Convicted. In the Hannibal court of common pleas J. M. Suerer, a boy, was convicted of burglary and larceny, and will probably be sentenced to the reform school. The jury gave him five years in the penitentiary.

As Blame in His Skull. James Belk, a farmer of Gower, Clinton county, was taken to St. Joseph in an effort to save his life. Michael Lalley struck him with an ax during a fight, the blade penetrating Belk's skull.

Stone as a Receiver. Ex-Gov. Stone has been allowed over \$18,000 up to the present time as receiver of the Mullanphy bank, St. Louis. He was appointed March 1.

Death Came Suddenly. William Conklin, a prominent mining operator of Webb City, died suddenly of hemorrhage of the lungs. He leaves a widow and several children.

Judge Barclay Did Not Resign. The expected resignation of Chief Justice Barclay did not come off. He took his place on the bench and listened to arguments as usual.

THE SOUTH AND WEST.

Fifth Annual Commercial Congress to Meet at Tampa, Fla.—Governors of Southern and Western States, Commercial, Municipal and Transportation Bodies Urged by Gov. Bloxham to Send Delegates.

Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 20.—Gov. Bloxham has issued the following invitation:

We respectfully extend to governors of the southern and western states an invitation to attend the fifth annual session of the South and West Commercial congress, to convene at Tampa, Fla., February 2, 3, 4, and 5, 1898.

We also respectfully request the governors of the southern and western states to appoint delegates to this congress, which should command the earnest attention of all good citizens. Trusting that this congress will receive the consideration it deserves and prove beneficial to all concerned.

The principal objects of the congress are to consider the means to increase the interchange of all merchandise and manufactured articles between the south and west and to promote the movement of grain and all other products of the western states to southern distributing markets and through southern ports for export.

All the governors, commercial organizations, municipal governments and transportation companies of the southwest have been requested to appoint delegates to this congress. A great many have already responded, and the success of this congress is now assured. Excursions to points of interest on the gulf of Mexico and other forms of entertainment will be provided for delegates and their friends.

The congress will convene on Tuesday, February 3, at the Tampa Bay hotel auditorium. The sessions will continue three days. For general information communicate with H. Cunningham, secretary of the Tampa board of trade, Tampa, Fla.

POLITICS, NOT COMMERCE.

The Second Stage of the Chinese Question Developing.

PEKIN, Jan. 20.—The tsung li yamen (the Chinese foreign office) has had another conference on the subject of the loan, which is still unsettled. Besides the right to extend the Burmah railroad through Yun-Nan province, Great Britain asks the right to build railroads through the province of Sze-Schuan (north of Yun-Nan) and a third treaty port is demanded, the identity of which: no doubt is Siang-Yin, situated in the anti-foreign province of Hu-Nan, which Japan proposed to open at the time of the Shimonoseki negotiations. The proposed opening of the port of Taitien-Wan, on the Liao-Tung peninsula, and north of Port Arthur, a position which would command the railroad connecting Port Arthur with the north and Manchuria, continues to be the chief difficulty. Russia desiring to keep the whole of Manchuria for herself. Neither power is willing to yield on this point, and the question is no longer a commercial one. It has become political.

THE SUICIDE EPIDEMIC.

Another Kentucky Woman Uses a Pistol, With Fatal Effect.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 20.—A special from Mayville, Ky., says: News of the suicide of Miss Harriet Keith Owens, on Monday, at Crab Orchard farm, the home of her father, Basil Owens, near Washington, reached here last night. Miss Owens had been in poor health for some time, and had to give up her school last fall on that account. She rested unusually well Sunday night, and seemed very cheerful, eating a hearty breakfast. She read the account of the shooting of ex-Senator Jo Blackburn's daughter, Mrs. Lane, with much interest. After reading about the shooting she went to her brother's room, and securing his pistol, placed it to her temple and fired the fatal shot. Death was instantaneous. Miss Owens was one of the brightest girls in the county, and the Owens family is a prominent one.

A SAD ACCIDENT.

Husband Shot Through the Heart, Expires in His Wife's Arms.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Jan. 20.—Robert G. Hazlett, a prominent citizen, was shot through the heart at one o'clock yesterday afternoon by Ray H. Lee and fell back into the arms of his wife, expiring almost instantly. Hazlett was engaged in moving to another residence and had employed Lee to assist in handling his household goods. Lee was handling a target rifle when the weapon was discharged, the bullet striking Hazlett, and falling back would have struck the floor had not his wife caught him. After a brief struggle he expired. The statement made by Lee that the shooting was accidental was corroborated by Mrs. Hazlett and also by her daughter.

THE GRAND OLD MAN.

Mr. Gladstone's Health Reported in a Critical State.

LONDON, Jan. 20.—The Pall Mall Gazette makes the following announcement in big type: "With deep regret we learn, on most excellent authority, that Mr. Gladstone's health causes the gravest anxiety to those about him. His sojourn at Cannes has not had the effect of fortifying his strength as anticipated." The announcement is causing much excitement.

EUGENE FIELD MONUMENT.

Design for the Missouri School Children's Memorial Erected.

SEDALIA, Mo., Jan. 20.—J. West Goodwin, secretary of the Eugene Field Monument association, has received from Hoffman & Brockazka, of New York, the design for the monument the school children of Missouri purpose to erect to the memory of Eugene Field on the Missouri state university campus at Columbia. The base is of rough Missouri granite, 6x7 feet, while the shaft is of polished granite, upon which rests a bronze figure of the dead poet.

FOOL AND GUN.

Killed Himself in the Presence of His Sweetheart.

RAVENNA, O., Jan. 20.—While walking with his sweetheart last night Cornelius D. Estinger, a well-known young man of this city, the son of prominent parents, quarreled with the young woman. Suddenly he pulled a revolver and without a word of warning sent a bullet through his brain, falling dead at his sweetheart's feet. The young woman is prostrated by the shock and her condition is serious. She cannot talk about the tragedy.

PRESIDENT DOLE.

The Head of the Island Republic Starts East with the Simplicity of a Cavalier—The Prescribed Presidential Salute of Twenty-One Guns Fired in His Honor—A Trip to the Presidio—Review of Troops.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 20.—Unattended by civic or military escort, with no firing of cannon or tooting of whistles, President Sanford B. Dole of Hawaii departed from San Francisco, as he arrived, with the same lack of ceremony as would mark the movements of any traveler. He was driven down to the ferry at five o'clock yesterday afternoon in a hack which also conveyed Mrs. Dole, the president's private secretary, Maj. Iakua, and Consul-General Wilder, of Hawaii.

The boat which connects with the departing overland train leaves this side of the bay at six, but to avoid publicity the island president crossed by an earlier boat and at the Oakland mole immediately sought the seclusion of the private car Guadaloupe, provided for him by H. E. Huntington, assistant to the president of the Southern Pacific company and attached to the regular eastbound train.

Neither President or Mrs. Dole left the car until after they departed. The private car was specially provisioned and equipped, under the direction of Mr. Huntington, that the little presidential party might enjoy every comfort on its trip across the mountains.

The route to Chicago will be over the Central and Union Pacific and the Chicago & Northwestern roads. President Dole made the most of his day here. Before ten o'clock, and while the morning was yet inhospitably gray, carriages awaited him at his hotel to convey him to the Washington-street wharf, where the steamer Gen. McDowell was ready to take the distinguished visitor to the Presidio reservation wharf.

At the latter point a military escort was waiting to receive him, and as soon as he landed the prescribed presidential salute of 21 guns was fired. Escorted by Brig-Gen. Shafter, commanding the department of California, President Dole was then shown the interesting feature of the Presidio and was given an opportunity to inspect the fortifications.

After a review of the troops stationed at the Presidio, President Dole returned to town and was driven to the Pacific Union club, where at one o'clock he was the guest of Mayor J. Phelan at an elaborate breakfast. The 28 guests included representatives of the principal civic and commercial societies, representatives of the judiciary army and navy. The hospitality extended by the mayor and club occupied the greatest part of the afternoon. The president returned to his hotel where he rejoined Mrs. Dole, who having had friends with her all day, spent the entire time resting, preferring not to go out.

THE GERMAN VIEW OF IT.

The Various Diplomatic Uses to Which Kiaochau May be Put.

BERLIN, Jan. 20.—A significant article in the Cologne Gazette asserts that according to international law, Kiaochau is German property, and an attack upon it would enable Emperor William to declare war without consulting the bundesrath.

The papers say, furthermore, being leased territory, in a political sense, it remains as before, foreign territory. Therefore, commercial and customs treaties between either China and European states, or between Germany and other nations have no validity there and consequently foreign states can not appeal to the favored nation clauses or claim similar rights to those granted Germany, while Germany is in a position to regulate the customs and commercial relations quite unreservedly if she thinks fit.

ALL QUIET AT HAVANA.

More War Vessels Concentrating at Key West—Powder Burned in Drills.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.—Gen. Lee cabled the state department at 2:41 o'clock yesterday afternoon that all was quiet at Havana. He also reported that the decree issued November 4 last, admitting free imported cattle into Cuba until January 18, had been extended until March 10, 1898, under the same conditions contained in the first decree.

Orders were yesterday telegraphed to Capt. Sigbee, of the Maine, at Key West, to join the North Atlantic squadron for drills and maneuvers when Admiral Sicard passes Key West on the way to the Tortugas harbor. It is expected that the whole squadron will be near Key West by to-day and a good deal of powder will be burned.

A MILD PROTEST.

Address of Senor Romero Robledo and Others to the Queen Regent.

MADRID, Jan. 20.—The address to the queen regent signed by Senor Romero Robledo and others (in pursuance of a decision reached on Sunday last at a meeting of Senor Robledo and his friends) is a mild-toned document disclaiming responsibility for the "infraction of the constitution by the government's unprecedented action in charging the government of the Antilles without the co-operation of the cortes." The signatories declare that they are aware of the difficulties surrounding the government, but consider it their duty to demand that the cortes be summoned.