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SOUTHAMPTON—Arrived: Lahn, New York, for Bremen. LIVERPOOL—Arrived: Catalina, Boston. Sailed: Majestic, New York.

The year 1896 has applied for a receiver. Make your resolutions few, but stick to them. This is the last day of this unseasonable spring. Last chance today to get good resolutions before the house.

Now, if all politicians would resolve to kick the "machines" out of politics. There is indeed blood on the moon in Illinois. Algeid has formally repudiated Hinrichsen. The 1897 outlook for Abdul Hamid and George Fred Williams is no better than it was in 1896. A lot of correspondents persist in interviewing the queen regent of Spain when she is not present. There were enough lumbermen in Washington yesterday to build Mr. McKinley a good strong cabinet. The bicycle has a "horse" laugh on the motor carriage, which is not to be allowed in the big cycle show at Chicago.

Leave your time pieces at home tonight. It will be watch night with hold-up artists, as well as with honest people. The leading promoter of this nation is Col. Hansbrough, of North Dakota. In this competition Mayor Doran, of St. Paul, "also ran." Wives are held at higher prices in New York than Missouri. A Missouri man sold his spouse for \$15, while a New York man got \$35.

Even with White Ghost as one of the delegates the Crow Indians couldn't make the ghost walk in Washington to any very great extent. St. Louis has a walking match in a restaurant. The inference is that, if the pedestrians get too tired to walk, they can take to their boats. Gov. Bradley, of Kentucky, is real mean. When the politicians of his state got everything ready for his resignation, he refused to resign. Now that John R. Tanner is a married man, perhaps, his wife will tip some of her friends as to whether he is for Martin B. Madden or not. Harvard follows its defeat of Princeton at debate with a defeat of Yale at chess. Once more attention is called to the fact that Harvard is great for heads. A press dispatch states that the Utah sheep men have decided not to invade Colorado. This is very considerate of the sheep men, but they ought to brush up a bit on the constitution. The opinions of distinguished men in a New York paper as to what constitutes the ideal newspaper vary so widely that one is forced to the conclusion that there is no ideal newspaper. A Jamestown, N. Y., girl claims she was married to the wrong man while hypnotized. Thus do the girls get out of their bad bargains by laying their troubles at the door of hypnotism. A hint comes from Canton that McKinley isn't for war. It may be hard work for a few days after March 4 to prevent Col. Chandler from taking New Hampshire out of the Union. A correspondent of the New York World was an eye witness of the fight between the filibuster steamer Three Friends and the Spanish cruiser Alphonso XIII, which did not occur. Comment on such enterprise fails to reach the situation.

WOLCOTT ACT READY

BILL TO PROMOTE BIMETALLISM DRAWN BY THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS COMMITTEE.

THE DETAILS PASSED OVER.

EXECUTION OF THE PLAN LEFT ENTIRELY IN THE PRESIDENT'S CONTROL.

IS TO BE PRESSED FOR PASSAGE.

Party Leaders by No Means Hopeless as to the Results of an International Conference.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The Republican caucus committee, appointed to draft a measure providing for an international conference to secure the re-establishment of bimetalism, was in session for two hours today, and when it adjourned had agreed upon a bill to be presented to the Republican caucus, which will be held soon after the assembling of congress next Tuesday. The bill agreed upon is brief and merely confers upon the president the right to appoint delegates "to any conference which may be called, which has for its object the re-establishment of bimetalism." It does not distribute the selection of delegates as did the legislation of the Fifty-third congress between the president and the two houses of congress, and, moreover, leaves the number to be selected entirely to the discretion of the president.

Senator Wolcott gave the committee a full account of his conference with President-elect McKinley, from which he had just returned, reassuring them of Mr. McKinley's hearty interest in the committee's proceedings, and his earnest desire to do all in his power to carry into execution the promise of the St. Louis convention to secure international bimetalism if possible.

It was announced after the close of the conference today that the committee would press for the early consideration of its bill, with the hope of securing all the legislation needed at this session—so that Mr. McKinley could take whatever steps he might deem proper to carry it into effect immediately upon entering upon his duties, and it was intimated that he was anxious to have a conference and have it under way by the time the tariff should be up for consideration. It was also stated by members of the committee that they were very hopeful of securing a conference, and also that they were "by no means hopeless as to the results" of such a conference when once secured. All members of the committee were present at the conference except Senator Hoar.

EXTENSION ASKED.

Van Nortwicks' Want Time to Settle Their Affairs.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—As the result of a conference this afternoon between William Van Nortwick, congressman from A. J. Hopkins, of Aurora; Charles Quarles, of Milwaukee; and Attorney A. W. Green, of this city, it was agreed that the Batavia bankers, whose failure on Monday affected so many institutions in Kane county, and elsewhere, should ask their creditors for more time to settle their affairs. The creditors, who are being asked to extend the time for payment, are the First National Bank of Chicago, the First National Bank of Batavia, the First National Bank of Elmhurst, and the First National Bank of Aurora. The extension asked is for three months, and it is believed that it will be granted.

TANNER MARRIED.

Wedding of Illinois' Governor-elect a Brilliant Affair.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 30.—Governor-elect John R. Tanner was married at noon today to Miss Cora Edith English, of Springfield. The ceremony took place in St. Paul's cathedral, one of the oldest churches in Illinois, and the scene of many a brilliant wedding. Twelve hundred invitations to witness the ceremony had been issued, and the church was packed with people from all over the state. Rev. Frederick Taylor, rector of the cathedral, officiated at the ceremony, and a wedding luncheon was served at the home of the bride to a few of the most intimate friends of the bride and groom, at the conclusion of which Mr. and Mrs. Tanner left for the Chicago & Alton for a short tour of the South. They will return to Springfield in time for the inauguration which takes place Jan. 1, and will make their home in the executive mansion.

CHINESE JUNTA.

Chicago to Be the Headquarters of the Revolutionists.

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—According to Wing Fook, editor of the Chinese News, Chicago is to be the headquarters of the Chinese revolutionary junta. This body plans the overthrow of the present Chinese dynasty by an armed invasion from convicts' island in the South Sea. Rooms for the junta have already been engaged in this city, and the Mongolians here now await the coming of Sung Yat Sen to set the machinery in operation which is to open China to Western civilization. That gentleman is the celestial revolutionist who was recently kidnaped in the streets of London, and whose release was effected by Lord Salisbury. He is now collecting money and organizing his followers in England. He will sail for America within two or three weeks where he will confer with Wong Chin Foo, of Chicago, and other leaders of the Chinese reform party in this country.

Needs Reforming.

ST. CLOUD, Minn., Dec. 30.—John Beber, who was indicted in Douglas county, was brought to St. Cloud today by Sheriff De Fraze and tried and convicted in district court of Stearns county for criminal assault and sentenced to the reformatory.

BRADLEY ABOUT THROUGH.

Kentucky's Governor Will Not Serve Out His Term.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 30.—The Commercial-Tribune in a lead article tomorrow will say: "William O. Bradley, of Kentucky, will not serve out his term as chief executive of that state. Unless there is a marked improvement in his health during the next several months he will resign the governorship, the resignation to take effect on or after Dec. 15, 1897. Under the laws of Kentucky, in case the chief executive does not hold his office for at least two years and the governorship becomes vacant by resignation or otherwise, a special election is necessary in order to fill the position. But after the governor has served for two years and has been re-elected, and the lieutenant governor may take his place. Gov. Bradley has determined to resign if his health does not improve, but the Commercial-Tribune is able to state that his resignation will not take effect until Dec. 15 next. At that time Lieut. Gov. Worthington can, by the law, become the governor of Kentucky, and no election to fill the vacancy is necessary."

IOWA TEACHERS.

Addressed by Supt. Gilbert, Formerly of St. Paul.

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 30.—The State Teachers' association today adopted a new constitution, arranging a system of organization of county and district associations in connection with the state association. Vigorous opposition was made to the new plan on the ground that the consent of the district and county associations to the scheme had not been secured. C. B. Gilbert, city superintendent, Newark, N. J., gave the principal address on "Correlation." His views were approved by Superintendent Old, Dubuque. The attendance reached over a thousand, the largest ever known.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 30.—The attendance at the State Teachers' convention today approximated 1,200. Of these probably 800 are from out of the city. This morning's session was a largely attended one. The initial address was by the retiring president, Arthur Burch. Three names are prominently mentioned for the presidency of the association, one of them being that of a woman, Rose C. Swart, of Oshkosh. The other candidates are Superintendent David Throne, of Rock county, and Superintendent G. G. Williams, of West Superior.

PLEA OF DRUNKENNESS.

Such Is Made by Baiser in Defense on Charge of Murder.

Special to the Globe. MANKATO, Minn., Dec. 30.—The defense sprung a surprise in the Baiser murder trial today by pleading drunkenness on the witness stand. Every effort is being put forth to save him from the gallows. The prisoner, who shot his way out of the jail on Nov. 2, testified that he was born in Germany, was fifty-four years old, came to this country in 188 and worked in a brewery several years, and in 1870 started in the hotel and saloon business in this city, which he has since followed. He claims to have no recollection of what happened on Saturday, Oct. 31, until the next Thursday afternoon, Nov. 5. The shooting occurred on Monday. He testified that he was not responsible for the deed done while in this drunken condition. State Attorney Benedict put the witness through a cross-examination, but could not tangle him on his last memory. Baiser broke down and wept while speaking of his wife. The defense will close tomorrow.

MURDERERS IN SUSPENSE.

Souler and Verrill Know Not When They Are to Die.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 30.—Joe Souler and Will Verrill, Milwaukee boys who were sentenced April 10 last to hang for the murder of Samuel De Mars, of St. Paul, are beginning to wait and worry over their fate. Although it is nearly nine months since the boys were sentenced, they have not yet fixed a date for their hanging, nor has the court intimated their sentence, and the boys are beginning to lose their spirits. Souler, especially, has wasted away until he is a mere shadow of his former self. He was very nervous at the trial, and he has been talking at the spectators, but he has lost all his nerve now and is in deadly fear much of the time. Verrill is a peaceable fellow, and does not show his emotions so much, but he, too, is worrying. No effort has been made by friends of the Milwaukee boys, and people are wondering why nothing has been done by the governor.

Sale Is Ordered.

DULUTH, Minn., Dec. 30.—The Central Trust has secured judgment in the district court for the sale of the Minnesota Car company, the Minnesota Iron company, and their successor, the Duluth Manufacturing company, the Duluth Transfer Railroad company, and the sale of the Duluth Manufacturing company's real estate, known as the Duluth works, which were sold to the Metropolitan Life Insurance company by the Duluth Manufacturing company's guarantors. The Metropolitan Life Insurance company bought the bonds on the Manufacturing company's guarantee. The Metropolitan Life Insurance company was released from the judgment by the court today.

End to Fake Medical Colleges.

MADISON, Wis., Dec. 30.—The agitation begun last summer for a better law governing the practice of medicine in Wisconsin when the existence of "fake" medical colleges in Milwaukee was set forth and the matter of their liquidation investigated and reported to the legislature, has taken definite form in a bill which will be laid before the legislature. The bill provides for a board of examiners whose duty will be to pass upon the qualifications for licenses to practice.

Flames at Delano.

DELANO, Minn., Dec. 30.—Nearly this morning four store buildings were destroyed by fire. They were Janikula's saloon, loss \$1,000, insured; John's grocery and candy store, loss about \$1,000, insured; Schaeffer's store, partly destroyed, insured for \$2,000; and the store of J. J. Platt, which was well under way in John's store, some damage was done to Platt's brick building, and there has been a wind, the destruction would have been very considerable.

"The First Lady Entertained."

VERMILION, S. D., Dec. 30.—Last evening Mrs. Lee, wife of the governor-elect, and her daughter, last evening at the home of Mrs. H. J. Austin, by the W. G. P. V. The party was very enjoyable. Mrs. Lee has been president for the year just past. About 100 guests were present. Miss Lee has been pursuing a course of music at the Wisconsin State University.

Both Boys Crushed.

WASHBURN, Wis., Dec. 30.—Two boys, Mathew Musolf, aged ten, and Willie Chobanau, aged twelve, were killed by the collapse of a wooden building which they were riding. Their legs were horribly crushed underneath the logs.

Revenue From Taylor's Lands.

HURON, S. D., Dec. 30.—A very large part of the lands secured by the state in the Taylor settlement have been leased for the coming season at fair rental, and the revenue will materially aid in paying taxes on unleased tracts.

Held as a Horse thief.

Special to the Globe. HASTINGS, Minn., Dec. 30.—William Sharp, charged with stealing a horse and cutter from Thomas Lebey, of Eagan, on Christmas, has been held to the grand jury by Justice Newell, being committed to the county jail in default of furnishing \$300 bail.

Died in Turkish Bath Rooms.

Special to the Globe. WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 30.—Alexander Heiser, of New York, died suddenly while taking a Turkish bath in Hotel Manitoba today.

Archbishop Dead.

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—Archbishop Fabre died at 11:06 o'clock tonight.



Not Another Leap Year Till 1934. Dare She Do It!

SHIPS WITH ARMS

PERMITTED UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS TO CLEAR FOR CUBAN PORTS.

TWO SUCH APPLICATIONS.

DAUNTLESS AND COMMODORE WILL CARRY WAR MUNITIONS FROM FLORIDA.

SPANISH CONSUL IN A DILEMMA.

He Must Officially Sanction Shipments of Contraband Goods Consigned to Insurgents.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—For the first time since the present struggle in Cuba began this government has given permission to a customs official to clear for Cuba a vessel loaded, according to her manifest, with munitions of war, and presumably intended for the insurgent army. The vessel in this case is the well known and alleged filibusterer, the Dauntless, but the concession that, under these circumstances, she is entitled to clear any papers, leaves the situation, as far as she is concerned, quite as involved as before, as the statute prescribes that before clearance shall be granted for any vessel bound to a foreign port, the owners, shippers and consignors of the cargo shall state under oath the foreign port at which the cargo is to be landed, and severe penalties are prescribed for violations of this requirement, including the confiscation of the vessel.

Some time yesterday the secretary of the treasury received a telegram from the attorney for the owners of the Dauntless at Jacksonville, stating that the owners of the Dauntless and her sister ship, the Commodore, had applied for clearance to a Cuban port with a cargo of arms, stating, however, that the oath required by the statutes would not be taken. The question was asked whether, under these circumstances, papers would be issued.

Later in the day a telegram was received from the collector at Jacksonville stating that application to clear the Dauntless for the port of Nuevitas, Cuba, with a cargo of arms had been made, and asking instructions. This morning the secretary replied substantially as follows:

"If the master of the vessel and the owners, shippers and consignors of the cargo comply fully with all the laws and regulations concerning the manifest, and take the oath required, you may grant a clearance to Nuevitas."

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DESPERATE RIFT

Between Italians and Police Officers in Pennsylvania.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 30.—A desperate riot occurred here today, early this morning which resulted in the fatal shooting of William Bergin and the serious injury of James McMillan, Charles Glover, Charles Wrathall and several others, members of the police force. The trouble was begun by a gang of Italians who became involved in a fight, using knives, revolvers and clubs. Police were sent for and a fierce battle followed. The Italians, who were led by Chief of Police Walsh, but the bullet struck Bergin in the head. The police closed in and the Italian thrust the weapon against Walsh's breast and fired. A defective cartridge saved the policeman's life, and Marone was knocked down and secured. The other policemen's injuries were inflicted by knives, and their clothing cut to pieces.

Out for Bryan.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The Progressive Democratic club tonight decided to work for the nomination of William J. Bryan for president in 1896, and issued invitations to all Democratic organizations in the North to attend a convention to be held in January.

Berlin Follows Suit.

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—The produce exchange has followed the example of the Stettin corn exchange, in demanding a suspension of business as a protest against the new law devised to prevent speculation in futures.

CROW CREEK COIN

SIoux DELEGATION FROM SOUTH DAKOTA UNABLE TO OBTAIN THE PRINCIPAL.

PARTIAL PAYMENT MADE.

NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS OF ACCRUED INTEREST PROMISED TO THE TRIBE.

WHITE GHOST DID THE TALKING.

Even With Such a Name He Was Not Able to Make Uncle Sam Materialize.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—The Crow Creek Sioux delegation of South Dakota has not gained its announced object of securing a per capita cash payment of \$137,000, less about \$13,000 for expenses, now to their credit in the treasury, but they have secured a payment of about \$4 or \$5 per capita, representing half of the accrued interest on the money. The delegates, White Ghost and Wizi, with their interpreter and agent, had a final conference with Commissioner of Indian Affairs Browning this afternoon. They recited the circumstances leading up to the Sioux treaty of 1890, by which they gave up certain lands, and for which an act was passed giving them \$187,000.

Commissioner Browning explained that the money is now in the treasury, drawing 4 per cent interest, and that payment must be authorized by legislation by congress and then ordinarily only upon a representation that the Indians need the money. He suggested that there is little time left in the present session, and that the matter be dropped for the time being. Payment of one-half of the \$90,000 interest now due on the principal, the other half being reserved by law for educational and similar purposes, was offered and accepted. The delegation will leave for their reservation Saturday, and the tribe will petition the next congress for the payment of the principal.

UP TO THE SECRETARY.

Action Expected on Baldwin's Charges of Pine Land Frauds.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Secretary of the Interior Francis now has the report of Inspector Wright who was sent out to investigate the charges of Maj. Baldwin against the Chippewa pine land estimators. It is understood that the secretary will order the final discharge of several of the men, but there will be some exceptions.

Maj. Baldwin has scored a partial victory, in endeavoring to follow it up by having the sale made last July at Crookston of several large tracts of the pine lands annulled. The secretary of the interior has prepared as yet just what he will do in the matter until after he has received the proceedings taken under the direction of the general land office.

There is likely to be a slight disagreement between Judge Lamoreaux, the commissioner, and the secretary. The latter is inclined to order a new sale, but will allow the purchaser of the lands at the sale of July 13, 1885, to come in and bid according to the new estimates on the tracts which have been under investigation by Mr. Wright and the detectives who have been on the reservation unknown to the estimator for several weeks. Lamoreaux has already stated that there is nothing in the charges of Baldwin that will warrant setting aside the sale.

ONLY TWO PERISHED

By the Sinking of the Delta in Plymouth Harbor.

PLYMOUTH, Dec. 30.—An explosion of dynamite took place today on the British ship Delta in this harbor. The vessel sank and forty men on board were hurt. It was believed to have perished. Later it was learned that only two persons had been drowned by the sinking of the ship.

SECOND DECIDES IT

SPEAKERSHIP CONTEST SEEMS TO HINGE UPON SOUTHWESTERN VOTES MONDAY.

CAN SHELL DELIVER THEM?

HIS DESIRE TO BE SECRETARY OF STATE MAY HANDICAP HIM.

KRAKER, OF STEARNS COUNTY, Melrose Independent, Will Vote for Jones if the Republicans Will Let Him.

As the speakership contest now stands, it looks as though the second district held the balance of power. The opponents of Jones count upon the practical unanimous support of the First, Third and Seventh districts in the Republican caucus, the First district will have 16 votes, the Third has 14, and the Seventh 10, in all 40. The Jones people claim the Sixth, 11 votes, and in fact 12, for they expect to ring in Joseph Kraker, of Stearns county, as a Republican on the caucus. They count, too, upon the Fourth and Fifth districts practically solid, 13 and 12 votes respectively, making another 25 votes, aside from Kraker's.

There is left the Second district, with 15 votes. The Jones people have been counting upon that.

When Dan Shell, of Worthington, who was among the earliest candidates for speaker suggested, declined to run, it was generally understood that it was a move in the interest of Jones, who was to reward him by the chairmanship of the committee on grain and warehouses. Mr. Shell was to do the best he could for Mr. Jones in the Second district, and Mr. Jones, if elected, would give Mr. Shell the coveted plum. However, Mr. Shell has other ambitions, it seems, and the chief of these is the Republican nomination for secretary of state two years hence. Albert Berg having had it two years must either get the governorship or nothing, and Shell feels that he is not treading on any one's toes in thrusting himself thus early into the field in Berg's place. However, his longings in this direction may restrain him somewhat from becoming in any sense an offensive partisan in the present speakership fight, as he is not anxious to alienate himself from any faction or district in the Republican party of the state to promote the ambition of some one else.

This is the factor that the Underleak people are counting upon to carry through, and the seeming result is that the delegates from the Second as they come in will be subjected to the most vigorous system of attack yet seen in the caucus. The Underleak syndicate argue that if they can get a majority of the 15 votes in the southern part of the state, they will diplomatically yield to the wishes of his constituency, sacrifice possible chairmanships, and join the combine which will be elected.

Against the triple district wall, which will be built about his secretaryship ambition in the event that he should kick over the traces.

A number of the members went home yesterday, and it is likely that a few more will leave today in order to have the new year's resolutions started at home. However, not all will get for tomorrow will mark the opening of the real active fight. Henry Felt went to the quarters of Mr. Underleak for open headquarters there early tomorrow morning and will remain constantly in the saddle until the end of the fight.

There are ninety votes in the Republican caucus on the face of the returns, but the Jones people will try to make it 90, and the Underleak people will take any more votes to make a majority of 91 than of 90, while the 91st vote in this case happens to be a Jones vote. The man for the job is Joseph Kraker, of Stearns county, is the man the Jones people will try to have installed in the gathering the first of the week. He ran on an independent ticket and was elected, and while the other members elected in the same county were either fusionists or moderate, it is said that Kraker has declared his willingness to vote with the Republican caucus, and the managers of the Jones campaign will endeavor to seat him. They are confident that if they can get a vote here and there will be acceptable in their ranks, although they maintain that there is no prospect of the ultimate result of the present caucus.

The attitude of the elites is a source of much concern, while it is a matter of general information that Jones has a number of good friends in the Twin city delegations, it is not admitted that the elites are to be counted upon to support him. It is said that the Todd county man will be able to swing either the Fourth or Fifth districts into line to him under a caucus rule, and they will divide the honors with the northerner.

Saturday will be a busy day. The Second, Fourth and Sixth, and probably the Fifth district also, will hold caucuses to determine not only their position, if any, on the speakership fight, but also to count the respective claims of candidates for appointive positions. As indicated above, the meeting of the Second will be watched with special interest, as it is believed that the Fourth and Fifth may develop some surprises. The Sixth is esteemed as a foregone conclusion.

Joseph Kraker, the Stearns county independent, whose position with respect to the Republican caucus is a source of so much conjecture, arrived in the city yesterday and will be here the greater part of the time until after the session of the legislature. While Mr. Kraker's remarks were very guarded, he indicated that the Jones people were warranted in counting on his support, provided they could secure his admission to the Republican caucus, as it is seemingly about the only way the Stearns county man has of getting any particular glory out of the present session.

While there is little talk of combinations between either of the speakership candidates and the seekers for

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