

## TWO HUNDRED PERISH

Heartrending Scenes at the Paris Morgues.

## DUCHESS D'ALLENCEAN DEAD.

Her Body Identified Among the Victims.

Woman Sees Her Husband and Daughter Burn.

Paris, May 5.—It is believed fully two hundred lives were lost in the fire yesterday afternoon at the Grand Bazaar de Charite. At this writing 14 charred corpses have been recovered, together with 12 unidentified portions of bodies. Thousands remained in the vicinity all night, making every effort to pass the lines of troops and police to search for friends and relatives missing. The scenes at the temporary morgues were heartrending, as men, women and children eagerly scanned the blackened remains, now and then throwing themselves down on some seemingly unrecognizable corpse, which by instinct inexplicable to outsiders, made out some dearly beloved one. Among the missing is a sister of the queen of Naples, Duchess d'Alencen, whose watch and betrothal ring have been found. The duke remained searching all night, only leaving when completely exhausted. Many tales of despair are told. One man saved his wife, and returned for his daughter. Both perished before the eyes of the wife in the doorway. Baron DeMachu made seven trips into the ruins after his sister, each time saving another, only to see his sister perish before his eyes when he no longer had strength to lift her.

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## Postal Congress in Session.

Washington, May 5.—The Universal Postal congress met here today. Sixty countries, comprising most of those having postal unions, are represented. It is expected the sessions of the congress will cover six weeks. Most of the work is to be transacted by committees, which are to submit the result of their labors to the general congress weekly. The present postal agreement will be revised and renewed. The hall presented a brilliant appearance when Gen. Batcheller, United States delegate, called the congress to order. The delegates were attired in dress suits or full court costume, their breasts bespangled with glittering insignias and enameled orders. The oriental delegates were very picturesque in flowing, silken robes. The hall is lavishly decorated. The sessions of the congress are held behind closed doors. Postmaster General Gary welcomed the delegates in an address, reviewing the history of the Universal Postal union, which, he pointed out, grew out of a suggestion from this government, leading to the first meeting at Paris, where the union was formed.

## Bill a Pass.

Springfield, May 5.—In the senate bills were passed for the appointment of a fire escape commissioner and for the construction of fire escapes on all buildings of four or more stories; also the libel bill, after a sharp debate, 57 to 16; also a bill to enable trust companies in cities of less than 100,000 inhabitants to do business on deposit of \$50,000. In the house a bill setting apart Adams and Sangamon counties as separate judicial districts was defeated, 51 to 71. It was opposed by democrats as unconstitutional.

## Orders for Reinforcements.

Albany, May 5.—Crown Prince Constantine telegraphs that two Turkish regiments are advancing on Ardiz, and that the Greek commander there has asked for reinforcements.

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Experience proves the merit of Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures all forms of blood diseases, tones the stomach, builds up the nerves.

Turks are centering a large force there. An important engagement is expected. The Turkish forces made a fierce attack today on the Greek troops at Velestino, but were repulsed. There were heavy losses on both sides. Fighting is in progress at two other points.

## Chicago Failure.

Chicago, May 5.—Foreman Bros' bank took possession by confession of judgment of the A. L. Luetgart Sausage & Packing company property valued at \$375,000. It is stated the company was making fine profits, but incurred the property in an effort to sell to a syndicate and found it impossible to get money enough to carry on the business.

## Illinois Soldiers.

Galesburg, Ill., May 5.—The state G. A. R. encampment opened with a reception to National Commander Clarkson. He was escorted to Knox college chapel, where patriotic exercises were held, with addresses by Gen. John C. Black, Gen. Clarkson and President Finley, of Knox.

## McKinley Plans.

Washington, May 5.—Among the nominations sent to the senate today are: Stanford Newell, Minnesota, minister to the Netherlands; postmaster in Illinois, Theodore E. Rabel, Roseville; James B. Stetson, Sheffield; and Walter C. Tuttle, Hospital.

## Bryan Recovering.

Lincoln, Neb., May 5.—William J. Bryan is gradually recovering from the result of injuries received at St. Augustine, Fla. The bruises were more serious than at first supposed and are slow at healing.

## Invitation to the President.

Chicago, May 5.—A delegation of Utah citizens enroute to Washington to invite the president to attend a jubilee July 24 in commemoration of the pioneers' entrance to Salt Lake valley 50 years ago, passed through here today.

## Arbitration Treaty Defeated.

Washington, May 5.—The arbitration treaty has been defeated in the senate by a vote of 43 to 26, not the necessary two-thirds vote required by the constitution.

## Governor Signs.

Albany, May 5.—The governor signed the greater New York charter today.

## WAR OF ROBBERY AND MURDER.

The Kind a Special Says Is Being Waged by General Weyler.

St. Louis, May 5.—The Globe-Democrat has the following from W. B. Steverson, its correspondent in Cuba: "Captain General Weyler's order of concentration gains added terror from the means adopted to enforce it. The guerrilla of the Cuban war is the personification of the struggle. He typifies its character. The guerrilla is a robber and a murderer. That is the kind of a war this is. Fair, stand-up fighting has no place in it. Cruel work is to be done. The guerrilla is at home here. He has come to be the most efficient branch of the services.

The regular soldiers from Spain guard the trains and move about the country in columns. There would be fighting if there was any battling to be done. The volunteers perform guard service in the cities and towns where they live. But the guerrillas are the Spanish troops entrusted with what is now the most prominent feature of Weyler's campaign. The guerrillas are organized into bands of about 100 men. The members are residents of Cuba. Usually the chief of the guerrillas is a Spaniard, but in the ranks are found Cubans and negroes.

The guerrilla is in the service from mixed motives, but not one of these motives is laudable. Criminals have been released from jail to enter these bands. Some desperadoes transported for life have been brought back from Spain's penal colonies and turned loose upon the pacifics, to prey like human wolves.

The guerrillas of Cuba are the men with bad records. Among them may be some who should not be so classed. But the nature of the service calls for that unmanliness which knows no justice, much less mercy. Gomez said, when the order of concentration began to be a terrible reality: "Weyler is the best remaining officer I have left."

It ought to be so. It is said that thousands of the pacifics have offered themselves to the insurgents, but have been turned back because there are no arms for them. This is one of the statements about the Cuban situation for which no verification can be given. The pacifics are full of idle men. It is possible to hear of some who have disappeared and are supposed to be with Gomez, but the evidence that most of the agricultural population remains non-combatant is visible in a ride through the country.

"When the uprising occurred on the island the movement was inspired by the farmers and farm laborers as a class. When Gomez swept through the island from Santiago de Cuba to Pinar del Rio, arousing Spain to a realization of the problem before her, only a few hundred of these people, less than 200, according to an official insurgent report, joined the ranks of the revolutionists. When Weyler put in motion his columns and began to drive them by the hundreds of thousands into the garrisoned towns, they were still pacifics. And now, herded in collections of crowded huts, exposed to the weather of the worst season of the year, disease ravages and starvation facing them, it appears that they will be the 'pacifics'."

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## STORIES DISAGREE

That Come from the Seat of War in the Orient.

## ONE TELLS OF COMING PEACE,

Another of War to the Knife and Knife to the Hill—Meanwhile the Powers Are Waiting To Be Asked to Mediate—Reliable News from the Front Difficult to Obtain—Correspondent in Cuba on the Spanish Guerrilla.

London, May 5.—The Athens correspondent of the Daily Mail says the ministers of war and of the interior have returned from Pharsalos and made their report to the cabinet. It is understood that as the result of their inquiry the war will be discontinued.

## Hard to Obtain Reliable News.

The difficulty of saying what has actually occurred at the seat of war continues, but the presumption from the known facts of the military situation is that Edhem Pasha is feeling the Greek position at Pharsalos preparatory to delivering a general attack. Edhem Pasha's repeated assaults on the wings of the Greek formation have probably the object of compelling Prince Constantine to send them reinforcements and thus weaken his centre at Pharsalos. We may soon, therefore, expect to hear that Edhem Pasha has struck hard at this weakened point.

## First Step in the Direction of Peace.

It looks as though Greece was giving up the game in Crete, and the recall of Colonel Vassos can only be regarded as making for peace, and is apparently the first step in that direction. Greece may thus regain the friendship of the powers, who have always stipulated this amende before using their good offices at Constantinople. The appointment of a nominal successor to Colonel Vassos is undoubtedly only a blind to allay popular protests.

London, May 5.—The Athens correspondent of The Daily Chronicle says that the foreign ministers have tendered the intervention of the powers to Greece, but the government has reserved its reply. A dispatch to The Daily Chronicle from Pharsalos, dated Monday, says it is rumored in the Greek camp that peace will shortly be proclaimed.

## This Tells a Different Story.

London, May 5.—The Athens correspondent of The Times says: "The cabinet sat till daybreak today hearing the reports of the ministers from the front and finally resolved to continue the war. General Smolenski has declined to accept the post of chief of staff of the crown prince, as he prefers to remain with his own brigade. The decision of the government is momentous, but it is difficult to say whether it is absolutely final."

## Have Not Even Recalled Vassos.

Athens, May 5.—It is now denied that an officer has been appointed to succeed Colonel Vassos in command of the Greek forces in Crete. This was interpreted here as a prelude to the recall of the Greek troops from the island and as proof of the conciliatory intentions of the new cabinet.

## Powers Are Waiting an Opening.

London, May 5.—The parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, George Curzon, in the house of commons yesterday, replying to a question said that communications on the subject of mediation were continually passing between the powers, who earnestly desire to see the war between Greece and Turkey ended. "But," he added, "the essential to successful mediation is evidence that the belligerents are prepared to accept it." Regarding Crete, Curzon said the powers intended to carry out the project of autonomy, but the continued presence of the Greek troops and the consequent active participation of the Cretans rendered progress very difficult. It was not true, Curzon said, that the Christians lacked supplies.

## Turks Will Capture Velestino.

London, May 5.—The special correspondent of The Times with the Turkish forces at Velestino telegraphs under date of April 30 that the Turks have captured the village of Kephato, at the foot of the pass, adding that with the reinforcements then en route from Larissa the Turks would undoubtedly be able to force the defile and if necessary capture Velestino.

## ILLINOIS G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT.

Hundreds of Veterans and Their Wives and Daughters at Galesburg.

Galesburg, May 5.—The first public meeting of the G. A. R. state encampment was held last night in the Auditorium in the presence of a large crowd. The meeting was presided over by E. A. Blodgett, of Chicago. The address of welcome was delivered by F. F. Cooke, mayor of Galesburg. He extended a hearty welcome to the veterans. The response was made by W. G. Cochran, department commander of Illinois. Addresses were also made by Colonel James A. Sexton, of Chicago, and Thomas G. Lawler, of Rockford. O. B. Knight, of Chicago, led in the singing. The set programme was followed by a series of short speeches or "minute guns," under the leadership of Captain John A. Gray, of Canton.

## Democratic Judicial Nominations.

Springfield, Ill., May 5.—The Democratic convention of the old Fifth judicial circuit was held yesterday at Pana and Judge James A. Creighton, of Springfield; Judge Robert B. Shirley, of Carlinville, and James C. McBride, of Taylorville, were nominated.

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- 25 pieces extra quality Shirting, worth 12 1/2c, price now... 6c
- 40 and 50 inch all wool Flannels, plain red and dark plaids and stripes, per yard... 19c
- 12 1/2 and 15c brown and gray Shaker flannels, 12 1/2c colored Canton flannels, to close, per yard... 6c

### Men's Goods.

- 25 dozen Men's French Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, Steffen's price 75c to \$1, price now... 59c
- Men's Laundered White Shirts, \$1 quality, slightly soiled, to close... 49c
- Men's 50c Canton Flannel Drawers, to close... 29c
- Men's 10, 12 and 15c Linen Collars, all to close at... 3c

### Shirt Waists.

- Every Garment new, and every Garment correct in fit and style.
- 50 dozen Ladies' \$1.25 Shirtwaists. Our price... 89c
- 85 cent Shirtwaists Our price... 59c
- \$2.00 Shirtwaists for... \$1.57

BUYING gold dollars at 50 cents is not in it with the great bargains we are offering you. We are offering you Dry Goods and Millinery at less than half price. Good Goods! New Goods! The best in the land. Nothing considered but the fact that we MUST and WILL sell the goods regardless of everybody and everything. Despite the fact that we have dumped in \$25,000 worth of new goods, this enormous stock is crumbling away before the crowds of pleased buyers who come here from day to day. You are invited to come. It's your loss if you don't.

### Millinery.

- Trimmed Hats, Ribbons, etc., at 50 per cent less than regular prices. New goods are also included in this sale. Besides we have added extra help in the workroom so that orders can be filled promptly.
- 15c, 18c and 20c Ribbons, all kinds and colors, to close, per yard... 9c
- 9 and 10-inch elegant Sash Ribbons, worth up to \$1.75, to close, per yd. 78c
- \$3 and \$3.80 Trimmed Hats at... \$1.98
- \$6.50 and \$7 Trimmed Hats at... \$3.87
- Children's Trimmed Hats, Special, at \$1, \$1.20 and... 98c

### Hose Supporters.

One lot ladies' and children's Hose Supporters, all kinds and styles, elastic damaged in some of them. Prices from 20c up to 40c, to close at once, only... 5c

### Dress Linens.

- 50 new styles to select from, prices away down. One lot assorted Dress Linens, until all sold per yard... 11c
- Plain Linens, lace stripes, shot effects, etc., per yd... 16c
- Aberfoyle Silk and Linen Tissues, very new, per yd... 24c

### Dress Goods.

- Another lot assorted Dress Goods, plain Cashmeres and novelties, worth up to 25c, slaughter price... 9c
- 10 pieces 48-in Black all Wool Serge, regular 50c values, until all sold, per yard... 25c
- 35 pieces All Wool Dress Goods, Cashmeres, plain and broadened Mohairs, Tan and Brown Plaid suitings, etc., values up to 66c, a clean sweep of the lot, per yard... 27c

### Silks.

- One Lot Silks, including \$1 and \$1.25 figured Waist Silks, Trimming Silks, staple Black Dress Silks, etc., worth up to \$1.25, the lot per yard... 69c
- 27-inch Plaid Silks, Muls, China Silks and others, to close, per yard... 35c

### Flannels.

- 20 pieces White Embroidered Flannel, 10 styles, sold at \$1 and \$1.25 a great bargain at... 79c
- One lot very fine Embroidered Flannel, sold at \$1.35 to \$1.50, slaughter sale price... 98c

### Table Linens.

- One lot turkey red Table Covers, sold at 60c and 75c, Slaughter price... 39c
- \$1.25 and \$1.50 Table Covers for... 87c
- 58-inch Bleached Table Damask, 50c quality, per yard... 28c
- 60c Half Bleached Damask, per yard... 39c

### Fans.

- Entire stock Black Satin Fans, Gause Fans, etc., at very low prices to sell at once.
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