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DISTURBING COMPLICATIONS.

Two Incidents Liable to Provoke War.

Free Passage of the Dardanelles and the Servian Military Maneuvers—British Crops Ruined by Rain.

Special to THE MORNING CALL.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5. — The Tribune's special cablegram from London says: It is curious that at the time when two such high authorities as Lord Salisbury and Prince Bismarck unite in crying peace, two incidents should have rapidly succeeded to show upon what a foundation of powder-barrels the peace of Europe rests. The first touches the old battle-ground of the Dardanelles. Early in the week the report reached London that the Sultan, under pressure from St. Petersburg, had conceded to Russia free passage to its war-ships through the Dardanelles. It was added, with suspicious exactitude, that Russia had been backed up in this request by France. It would be impossible to exaggerate the importance of such an arrangement if it were really brought about. With the Dardanelles a free waterway, the Russian fleet could sweep down on Constantinople and rush through into the Mediterranean, making it a Muscovite lake, and commanding the world's trade passing through the Suez Canal. Of course Russia urgently desires such emancipation. She nearly secured it sixty years ago and seemed finally to lose it as one tangible result of the Crimean War. That fresh negotiations on the subject have been in progress is likely enough, and it is even possible, though not probable, that the inscrutable Turk might, for some immediate advantage, be induced to place the key of his empire at the disposal of Russia. Happily Turkey is not the arbiter of the situation. England, Italy, Austria and, in a remoter degree, Germany, would have something to say on the subject, considerations which enable us to dismiss the rumor as scarcely worth the attention it has absorbed here and on the Continent at this dull season.

The other disturbing element has had more actuality. Here again Russia and Turkey have been at work using their old tools, Bulgaria and Servia. The Servian Government suddenly resolved that the time was opportune for a series of military maneuvers, and orders were issued for the mobilization of 65,000 men. This was well enough and perfectly within Servia's right, but the aspect of affairs was altered when it was discovered that the maneuvers were to take place on the Bulgarian frontier. Bulgaria was instantly on the alert, and forthwith orders were given for the mobilization of three army corps destined for maneuvering on the Servian frontier. Only one result could follow from such an artistic arrangement. With a lighted match and a train of powder conveniently disposed, an explosion would be a matter only of days or even hours. Diplomacy was thoroughly alarmed, and, moving promptly, succeeded in at least deferring the collision. The Porte, acting in the character of suzerain of Bulgaria, plainly informed Servia that the proposed maneuvers must not take place. Russia, appealed to by the Servian Government, said that under the circumstances the maneuvers had better be postponed. So the cloud suddenly darkening the horizon has blown over.

It is understood by some of his friends that Parnell intends forthwith to set out for the United States to see what can be done toward closing up the ranks of his party on the American side of the Atlantic. Money is sorely needed, since a considerable proportion of the members of the old party who stood by him have from the first been accustomed to the receipt of those regular subsidies which the late Bigar judiciously distributed. The need will become more pressing if anything like a fight is to be made at the general elections. Moreover, there is an immediate demand for the funds to start in Dublin a daily paper with which to crush the renegade Freeman's Journal. That the seceders from Parnell's leadership includes the moneyed men of the party was shown by the promptitude with which the money to float the National Press was forthcoming. Parnell, to whom the possession of a daily paper is a matter of life and death, has not yet succeeded in raising enough money to rent an office and purchase the machinery for his proposed new paper. His wife, if even she gets only a portion of the fortune left her by her aunt, will be rich enough to indulge in the luxury of starting a daily newspaper, but Parnell has never been prone to risk his private belongings in the prosecution of public purposes, and "what is Kitty's is now his." America, once the El Dorado of the cause represented by him, is his only hope, and he talks boldly of trying it. The result of the last visit of his emissaries was, however, not encouraging, and Mr. Parnell may find a pretext for indefinitely postponing his excursion.

Toward the middle of the week it seemed probable that the long spell of bad weather that has played havoc with the crops was broken and that something might be saved out of the wreck, but the burst of fine weather was only temporary. Once more the rain descended. Floods have come and beating on fields ripe for harvest have quenched the last spark of hope. What makes the trial harder to bear is that the disaster has followed fast on what promised to be an unusually fine harvest. There was not only a bountiful crop, but owing to the failure of the harvest on the Continent prices rose and British farmers began to meditate serenely on the prospect of six shillings a bushel for sound wheat. But that dream is over and the only question is whether it will be worth while or even possible to harvest the beaten-down product of the flooded fields. The grain already cut is sprouting and a few more days such as we have lately had would render the crops worthless for bread-making purposes. It is not only rain, but wind that has completed the ruin of the farmers in Kent. Hops might have stood up against the rain, continuous as it was, but they have been ruthlessly beaten down by the prevalent storms, and whole gardens which a short time ago promised a fair return are to-day hopelessly battered. Nor has fruit culture escaped the scourge, apples, pears and peaches being swept off the trees. It is bitterly felt by British farmers that England's adversity is America's opportunity, and the reports which reach this country of the magnificent harvests in the United States do not relieve the despair with which the British farmer looks upon his own wasted land.

CANADA'S SCANDAL.

A Report in the Corruption Cases Not Yet Reached.

OTTAWA, Sept. 5.—Edionne of the Public Works Department has been suspended as a result of disclosures before the Committee on Public Accounts. The sub-committee of the Privileges and Election Committee is sitting to-day. From what can be learned it appears there is no prospect of its agreeing upon a report. The conservative members favor the exoneration of Sir Hector Langevin, while the Liberal members propose to bring in a minority report condemning him. The reports will be debated, and perhaps a third report, a compromise, may be adopted by the committee.

The Bay of Chaleurs Railway scandal will be brought to a happy termination as the result of a conference between the lawyers retained by the various interests. The application of the new company for a Dominion act of incorporation was opposed by the Ontario Bank and the McFarlane estate. Incidentally, during the Senate Committee's inquiry all the boodling disclosures took place. Now the new company has agreed to have incorporated a clause in the bill providing for a deposit of $180,000 in the Bank of Montreal as security for the payment of McFarlane's claim, and also to pay whatever award is made by the courts in the civil suit now in progress. Even if the bill as amended passes the House it is understood that there will be successful opposition in the Senate.

CHILEAN AFFAIRS.

The German Minister Disagrees With an Admiral Over the Refugees.

VALPARAISO, Sept. 5.—The German Minister to Chile and the German Admiral commanding the German fleet at Valparaiso, are at odds over the disposition of the political refugees, who are now in asylum aboard the German cruiser Sophie. The Minister notified the Admiral yesterday that he might be required to surrender to the officials representing the Junta Senor Claudio Vicuna, who was to have succeeded Balmaceda as President; Admiral Oscar Viel, late Intendente of Valparaiso, and Captain Alberto Fuendes, late Captain of the torpedo-boat Lynch. The Admiral bluntly informed the Minister that he would do no such thing, unless specially ordered to do so by the Emperor or Chancellor von Caprivi. The Minister did not insist. As soon as the conference had ended the Admiral sent a cable dispatch to Emperor William explaining the situation, and announcing that unless he received orders to the contrary, the Sophie with the refugees on board, would proceed to-morrow to Mollendo, Peru, the nearest neutral port, where the people wanted by the Junta would be landed. Later in the day a reply was received from Berlin approving the action of the Admiral and granting him permission to send the refugees to Mollendo. The Sophie will sail to-morrow morning early. Word was received from there to-day that the Congressional officials had taken possession of Coquimbo and Serena without any disturbance, and that order had been maintained throughout.

AT WASHINGTON.

The Junta Not Yet Recognized by the State Department.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Whether or not the Congressional Junta has been recognized as the de facto Government of Chile cannot be officially learned at the Department of State, as the acting Secretary refuses to make any statement whatever on the subject. Nevertheless there is good reason to believe that, acting upon Minister Egan's information that the authority of the Junta is supreme in Chile, he has, as already predicted, been directed to open negotiations with them. If there has been any question as to the proper treatment of the refugees aboard the United States warships it has been decided by Admiral Brown. He cabled to-day that the Baltimore left yesterday for Peru, taking away twenty refugees, whose lives were not safe in Chile.

Senor Don Preduncla Lascano, the Chilean Minister to the United States, has given up the house he has occupied here for a time, and, accompanied by his wife, left this city this afternoon for New York. It is believed he is on his way to Europe.

PARIS, Sept. 5.—A dispatch received today at the Chilean Legation from Santiago says the Provisional Government of Chile has been constituted and will send a circular letter to the powers and to all countries appearing disposed to recognize the present Administration of Chile.

VALPARAISO, Sept. 5.—The Governments of Brazil and Peru have officially congratulated the Junta on the victory of the Congressional party and the restoration of peace in Chile.

A decree has been issued by the Junta announcing that notes issued during the revolution by Balmaceda will be recognized as legal by the new Government. An investigation of the banks shows that many of the Balmacedist officials have taken care to pretty well feather their nests.

MILITARY MANEUVERS.

Extensive Operations in France—Russia Massing Troops in Warsaw.

PARIS, Sept. 5.—The second series of the great French army maneuvers in which 110,000 men are taking part, commenced today. It will last until September 9th and consist of a five days' battle between General De Galliffet and General Davout, under the supreme direction of General Saussier, Military Governor of Paris, who has already been designated as the probable commander-in-chief of the French armies in the case of a war.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Advices from Cracow state that householders in Warsaw, the capital of Russian Poland, are ordered to prepare to accommodate a large number of troops within a fortnight; that a great concentration of Russian forces is in progress at that point, and that the Russian police have warned the newspapers not to publish anything about the movement.

BERLIN, Sept. 5.—Field Marshal von Blumentnal, Chief of the General Staff of the Prussian army, classed as the most distinguished strategist of modern times, has resigned command of the Fourth Army Inspection district. Von Blumenthal has been succeeded by Prince Leopold of Bavaria. This is taken to be another instance of a desire of the Emperor William to please the South German States.

VIENNA, Sept. 5.—The Austrian army maneuvers about Schwartzenow continued to-day. The Austrian and German Emperors and the King of Saxony were in field by 8 o'clock this morning. They took positions commanding a good view of the opposing troops. All the forces were engaged and the effect resembled that of severe fighting. The cavalry forces were much hampered, owing to the wooded nature of the country. The two Emperors watched the evolutions closely, exchanging comments in the most cordial manner. The operations were suspended at noon and the two Emperors returned to Schwartzenow.

TREATY RIGHTS.

England Urged to Use Firmness With the Chinese Government.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—Commenting on the statement cabled to this city from Shanghai and purporting to give the views of the educated classes of China in regard to foreign missions upon Chinese territory, which, it is claimed, have utterly failed in the objects they were intended to accomplish, and only tend to foment revolt, the Times to-day says: The lesson to be drawn is that a liberal treatment of Chinese is useless. Europe should inflexibly and sternly insist upon the observance of treaty rights, and thus avoid irritating, fussy naval displays.

The Morning Advertiser says: The nation (China) which occupies toward foreigners such an belligerent standpoint as this can hardly be brought to a desirable frame of mind by diplomatic remonstrances.

The Post expresses the opinion that it is evident, equally from the inherent strength of the Chinese as from their manifest weakness, that a trifling policy is the worst that can be adopted. Europe must prepare either to enforce or to renounce her treaty rights.

Charged With Being a Spy.

BERLIN, Sept. 5.—An American giving the name of Carleton Graves, who stated his business to be that of a photographer, and his address as "Columbia," was arrested today at Mavence and charged with being a spy. Graves' baggage was seized and searched and he will be detained until a satisfactory explanation as to certain actions of his, classed as suspicious by the German police, is furnished. He was at the Mayence Fortress and in default of more definite information and in view of the fact that Graves gave his occupation as a photographer, it is presumed he may have been kodaking the fortifications.

Eiffel Tower Causing Storms.

PARIS, Sept. 5.—In the recent storm terrible damage to the market gardens and vineyards in the environs of this city was caused. At Stains a farmer and laborer were killed by a thunderbolt. At Clamart a peasant and his wife were killed. Scientists assert the Eiffel Tower causes electrical disturbances, and that the climate here has been much worse since the tower was built.

Embezzlement and Failure.

OMAHA (Nebr.), Sept. 5.—George W. Trehorn, Mayor of Broken Bow, this State, and a prominent business man, has absconded. He is involved to the extent of $20,000. His former partner, W. Hewitt, has failed as a consequence of Trehorn's rascality.

Disappearance of an Embezzler.

WINDSOR (Ont.), Sept. 5.—Major Ben Tillman, who is alleged to have embezzled a large sum from the Falls City Bank of Louisville, Ky., and who has been here since last Sunday, has suddenly disappeared. It is stated that he crossed the river to Detroit.

SURROUNDED BY A WALL OF FIRE.

Shocking Fate of Workmen on a Pile-Driver.

A River Turned Into a Sea of Flames—Three Men Fatally Burned by a Mass of Blazing Naphtha.

Special to THE MORNING CALL.

PROVIDENCE (R. I.), Sept. 5.—In view of a hundred spectators two men were literally roasted alive with water forty feet deep all about them. The city has a process of disposing of its garbage swill by treating it with naphtha, a large tank of which was lying on the banks of the Womasquatucket River. The tank began to leak yesterday, and the river became covered with a thick coating of inflammable stuff.

Just below the tank there was a raft on which was an engine and pile-driver worked by three men. Their names were Patrick Nagle and Patrick Fennessy of Providence, and Phineas Gammell of Pawtucket.

The outgoing tide carried the naphtha to the pile-driver, which was completely surrounded, and the gases arising from it were ignited by the fire under the boiler, and instantly the pile-driver was ablaze, and a fearful flame and a heavy black cloud of smoke hid the raft and pile-driver from sight, but while the smoke was rolling up there were heard the most agonizing screams from the men on the raft.

An alarm was given and when the fire was subdued the three men were found blackened on the raft, rolling in their frenzy and agony. They had been pinned in by a solid sheet of fire and had been roasted. Every bit of the skin on Nagle's face, hands, arms and legs came off like an old glove, as well as the thumb and finger nails. Gammell was not so badly burned, but his injuries are very serious. All will die.

ON MANY DIAMONDS.

Yesterday's Games of the National League and Association Clubs.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—To-day's game was dull and uninteresting. Chicagos 2, Bostons 3. Batteries—Gumbert and Merritt, Staley and Ganzel.

At Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 5.—After twelve innings, Philadelphia won the game. Cincinnatis 3, Philadelphias 5. Batteries—Rhimes and Harrington, Gleason and Clements.

At Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Sept. 5.—The first game was called at the end of the fifth inning, owing to rain. Costly errors of the home team allowed the visitors to win. Pittsburgs 2, Brooklyns 3. Batteries—King and Miller, Inks and Baily. The second game was called at the end of the fifth inning on account of darkness. The home team won by terrific batting. Pittsburgs 11, Brooklyns 7. Batteries—Baldwin and Miller, Lovett and Inks, T. Daily and Con Daily.

Association Games.

BOSTON, Sept. 5.—The Boston-St. Louis game was postponed on account of rain.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Washingtons 15, Columbus 8. Second game—Washingtons 5, Columbus 6. Game called at the end of the eighth inning owing to darkness.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 5.—Athletics 4, Milwaukees 2. Second game—Athletics 5, Milwaukees 1.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 5.—Baltimores 6, Louisvilles 3. Game called at the end of the eighth inning owing to darkness.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 5.—Kansas Citys 7, Denvers 8.

SIOUX CITY, Sept. 5.—Sioux Citys 6, Omahas 0.

Pacific Northwest League.

SPOKANE, Sept. 5.—Spokanes 17, Tacomas 8.

TORN TO PIECES.

A Railroad Employe Mangled Beyond Recognition by a Panther.

TALLAHASEE (Fla.), Sept. 5.—While a gang of section men were working on the Florida and Western Railway to-day twenty miles from here, along a big swamp, a huge and ferocious panther leaped from a tree and struck a man named McWilliams, knocking him flat. The rest of the party fled, leaving McWilliams to fight alone. The contest was short and bloody. McWilliams had no weapon except a shovel, and in a few minutes had been mangled beyond recognition. The rest of the gang secured arms, but were too late, as the panther had torn the arms off the corpse and fled to the swamp. Work has been suspended on the railway, the men refusing to work.

ON THE WARPATH.

A Drunken Indian Chief Shot by One of His Tribe.

DENVER (Colo.), Sept. 5.—Black Bear, chief of the Indians on exhibition at Fiske's Garden, filled up with "fire water" late last night and whipped his squaw. When the other Indians remonstrated the chief took another pull at his flask and started to clean out the aborigines. He made for one of his comrades in regular Indian fashion, raising a terrible war-whoop, and that Indian, not caring for a personal encounter, drew a six-shooter and fired three shots at Black Bear, two of them taking effect. The chief will not allow the doctors to examine him, but it is thought one bullet will prove fatal.

CASE CONTINUED.

Officers of a Publishing Company Charged With Violating Postal Laws.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—Abram P. T. Elder and H. L. Barber, President and Vice-President of the Elder Publishing Company, which has been closed by Government officials for a violation of the postal laws, were up for a preliminary hearing to-day, but their attorney not being ready the case was continued until Monday. Elder declares that he is the victim of a forger, who embezzled a large sum from him, and to cover up his villainy inspired his arrest. He denies all the charges against him.

REFUSE TO TALK.

Lawyers in the Searles Will Contest Decline to Be Interviewed.

NEW YORK, Sept. 5.—Timothy Hopkins did not return to New York to-night. All his attorneys would say was that Hopkins had left the city with his New York lawyer, and that they could not tell when he would come back. Searles' attorneys were silent when questioned about the will-breaking contest. If Mr. Hopkins does not reach an understanding with Searles, the contest will probably come before the Probate Court in Salem, Mass., next Tuesday.

Quietly Married.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 5.—A local paper says the authorized announcement of the marriage of Gertrude Potter of Chicago, daughter of the millionaire ironman, to F. Lee Rust, a son of the wealthy Wisconsin lumberman, has been made. They were married quietly at Geneva Lake, June 6th, and are now in Europe. The bride gained no little notoriety on account of an early love affair with a Chicago newsboy.

Fatal Explosion.

FINDLAY (Ohio), Sept. 5.—This afternoon, while a number of men were thrushing wheat, the machine exploded, wrecking the place. William Mull was killed and four others seriously injured. On investigation it was found that dynamite had been placed in a sheaf of wheat by some person unknown, causing the explosion.

Believed to Be Innocent.

SAVANNAH (Mo.), Sept. 5.—Rev. August Lavak, who acted as spiritual adviser at the hanging of Louis Bulling yesterday, has been released on bonds of $500 to answer to the charge of furnishing Bulling the weapon with which the murderer attempted suicide just before the execution. It is generally believed now the pastor is innocent. Bulling left a letter in which he directed the Sheriff to return the revolver to his brother, who, he said, knew to whom it belonged and how it came in his possessign.

AN ESCAPE CAPTURED.

Arrest of a Notorious and Daring Vermont Moonshiner.

MANCHESTER (N. H.), Sept. 5.—Darling Eastman, the long-sought-for Vermont moonshiner, is under arrest in this city. Eastman's capture and escape at Corinth, Vt., last April, was the most sensational that has occurred in the State for twenty years. Orange County has been notorious for its stills. The most daring and successful operator in that section was J. Warren Eastman, who lived in an isolated quarter of Corinth. In April last a large posse of officers made a descent on the Eastman homestead. In an old blacksmith shop they discovered a still of the largest and most approved pattern in full operation. The father, Warren Eastman, his son Darling, and his son-in-law were captured in their beds and heavily manacled. The prisoners were removed to Corinth Center and the case against Darling Eastman was taken up. The Town House, where the trial was held, was crowded. The prisoner, who is over six feet in height and one of the strongest men in the State, was closely guarded by five officers. At the adjournment of the trial on the first day the deputies, with Darling Eastman, were about to enter a carriage when the prisoner made a rush, jumped over a fence and disappeared in the woods. His escape from death was miraculous, for he must have expected to have been the instant object of target practice; yet not a shot was fired until he was out of range. The maximum sentence against Eastman, if he is convicted on each of the indictments against him, will aggregate 100 years. He was traced from Vermont to this State, but here the trail was lost until Officers Caldwell and Cheney saw him on Lake avenue to-day and arrested him.

COAST INTERESTS.

Customs Decisions Relating to Cattle—Postoffices and Pensions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Acting Secretary Spaulding writes to the Collector of Customs at Nogales, Ariz., directing that cattle driven from Sonora, Mexico, to Fairbanks, Ariz., to be loaded on cars for shipment in transit to the City of Mexico, should be entered in bond at Nogales for transit and an officer should accompany the cattle at the expense of the owners to the place of landing, there to superintend and certify to the landing.

Assistant Secretary Spaulding also informs the Nogales Collector that the practice of persons crossing to the Mexican side and purchasing clothing which is carried back into the United States without payment of duty is smuggling, and that he has ample authority to compel the payment of duty or to confiscate such smuggled goods and arrest the offenders.

The Collector of Customs at San Francisco is instructed to retain 10 per cent of the duties paid by Messrs. Swayne and Hoyt on materials imported for use in the construction of a vessel for foreign account, as provided in Section 17 of the Shipping Act of 1884, which is not superseded by Section 25 of the last Tariff Act.

POSTOFFICE CHANGES.

A new Postoffice has been established at Brice, Graham County, Ariz., special from Pima, Nephi Packer, Postmaster. Michael Ohl has been commissioned Postmaster at San Carlos, Ariz.

On and after the 19th inst. the dispatches of inner registered mail sacks between Los Angeles and Orange, Cal., will be daily except Sunday, instead of daily, as at present.

The following star mail service changes have been made: From Deluz to Fallbrook, from September 5th, a change in service so as to embrace Deluz Station, omitting Howe. From the same date an increase in the service between Deluz Station and Fallbrook from three times a week to six times a week.

PENSIONS GRANTED.

Pensions have been granted as follows: John S. Wright Sr., William R. Robins, Levi N. Tower, Peter Yates, James Fleming, Frederick Fetzer, Sidney J. Smith, Alonzo Bell and John P. Rains.

PREPARING EXHIBITS.

Central American States to Be Creditably Represented at the Fair.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Lieutenant Scriven, Special Commissioner to the Central American States, writes from Guatemala under date of August 24th, that the commission appointed by the President of that republic to prepare an exhibit for the World's Fair, has been fully organized and is already deeply engaged in their work. Plenty of money for the purpose has been placed at their disposal by the Government and the country is being canvassed to secure a full exhibit of its resources and industries.

Lieutenant Scriven cables asking that half an acre of ground be set apart at Jackson Park for the use of Nicaragua. The Government of that republic intends to erect its own building, which will be a fine one, and will make a complete display of its products and resources. Commissioners have been appointed to superintend the collection of exhibits and are already at work.

The Government of Salvador has appropriated $10,000 to erect a building in Chicago, and has directed Baruch, its new Consul-General in New York, to draw plans and superintend the construction.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—The National Columbian Commission reassembled this morning and most of the forenoon was spent in the transaction of routine business and the hearing of reports from the various States as to the progress of work therein. An invitation from the Local Directory to members of the commission to visit the fair site this afternoon was accepted. The Director-General has been charged with the control of the Latin-American Bureau.

The report of the Committee on Awards for exhibits of live stock was adopted.

The commission then adjourned till Monday morning.

TENNESSEE LEGISLATURE.

The Governor Authorized to Call Out the Militia at His Discretion.

NASHVILLE (Tenn.), Sept. 5.—To-day in both Houses of the Legislature a bill was introduced authorizing the Governor, in his discretion, to call out the militia. In the House a resolution was adopted that when the present Penitentiary lease expires there shall never be another made. A bill was introduced making it felony to engage in a prize-fight, with or without gloves, or to aid or abet a fight.

Double Murder and Arson.

NASHVILLE (Tenn.), Sept. 5.—William Smith and wife, living near Livingston, went to church to-day, leaving two daughters, 17 and 19 years of age, in the house. An hour later the house was discovered to be in flames, and the neighbors who went to the fire saw the dead bodies of the girls lying on the floor in pools of blood. The bodies were consumed. The girls had been murdered by an unknown person and the house fired.

The Southern Pacific's Purchase.

CHICAGO, Sept. 5.—An Inter Ocean special from Astoria, Oregon, says: The Southern Pacific road has purchased the Astoria and South Coast Railroad for $54,000. Just what the Southern Pacific will do with it is not known, but the correspondent surmises the company will construct a bridge across the river and run trains into Astoria direct.

Poisoned by Impure Water.

DUNDEE (Mich), Sept. 5.—Three children in the Gilson family and T. John and another farm-hand named Monroe have died during the week from drinking water from a polluted well. Over twenty persons are affected, half of them seriously.

Riotous Strikers.

LEBANON (Pa.), Sept. 5.—The strikers tonight attacked and brutally beat two special officers and two non-union men at Light's rolling-mill. One of the assailants was shot and a riot was started which the whole police force had trouble in queling.

Ex-Minister Loring Seriously Ill.

BOSTON, Sept. 5.—George B. Loring, ex-United States Minister to Portugal, has been suddenly attacked with serious illness. The symptoms are those of inflammation of the bowels.

SUGGESTIONS OF CAUTION.

England Advised to Act With Deliberation.

Germany Opposed to a Hasty Remonstrance Against Turkey—Probable Early Collapse of the Pro-Russian Ministry.

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BERLIN, Sept. 5.—The conferences between Chancellor von Caprivi and Count Kalnoky, the Austrian Prime Minister, near Schwartzenau, have ended in their advising the English Government not to be in a hurry to take any diplomatic action in connection with the Dardanelles incident. The tone of the official press here indicates distinctly that the Government is averse to joining England in any hasty remonstrance against the Porte's agreement with Russia. The North German Gazette holds that the Porte's assent to the claims of Russia is less important as a breach of the treaties than serious as disclosing a new line of policy adopted by Turkey toward Russia. The Viennese Presse, a semi-official paper, anticipates sharp antagonism between British and Russian influences at Constantinople, and recommends that England become more amenable so far as Egypt is concerned. In the opinion of the Presse the new position of affairs does not involve any danger to the peace of Europe. The other great powers, it holds, have no grounds for taking active share in England's impending diplomatic measures. The currents of intrigue around the Sultan, which are now in a swollen condition, may be allowed to run their course, as the vital interests of Turkey will finally bring everything back to the proper track.

The waiting attitude which the Imperial Chancellors have recommended to Lord Salisbury is explained by the official advices received to-night from Constantinople to the effect that the life of the new Turkish Cabinet will be brief. The highest Turkish circles are indignant over the composition of the new Ministry, and especially at the dismissal of Ghazi Osman, the Minister of War and the Marshal of the Palace. Strong protests have been sent to the Sultan, whose own position is menaced by the malcontents. The reference of the Viennese Presse to the belief that everything will return to the proper track points to the expectation of an early collapse of the pro-Russian Ministry. A successful conspiracy for the deposition of the Sultan is among the contingencies that are discussed covertly in diplomatic circles. It is the expressed conviction in official circles here that Lord Salisbury will accept the advice proffered him and await the outcome of events.

The Catholic Congress, which opened on Sunday and held its closing session yesterday, assumed unexpected importance. Over 1000 delegates were in attendance. A resolution was adopted declaring the time had come to convoke a great international Catholic congress for the consideration of the question of the restoration of temporal power to the Pope, and a committee was appointed to arrange for holding such a congress. In discussing the question of a neutral ground for a place for the meeting of the proposed congress Switzerland was most in favor. Delegates will be summoned from every Catholic community in the world. The question of the restoration of temporal power to the Pope will be treated, not as an Italian question, but as one of universal concern. The congress affirmed the determination of the German Catholics to remain resolute supporters of the Dreibund and decided to continue the policy of Dr. Windthorst in working for the recall of the Jesuits and for religious instruction in primary schools. After considerable discussion it was voted to favor state regulation of labor questions.

The removal of the prohibition against the importation of American pork into Germany has elicited few press comments. Several progressist and socialist papers refer to the measure as a relief to the poor classes. In official circles, where is best known the nature of the resistance to the measure and the persistent effort made in its behalf by United States Minister Phelps, its success has evoked many encomiums.

The political police have been eagerly hunting for the author of the stories recently published in French papers regarding the health of the Emperor. Having secured the manuscript of some of the articles, they have been interviewing a number of newspaper men in the attempt to find some one who could recognize the handwriting, but their efforts have proved unavailing. The attempt to connect Bismarck with the authorship of the stories met with equal lack of success.

Russian advices report the discovery of great coal oil fields in the region of the Caspian Sea. The production of these fields is said to be more than ten-fold greater than that of any other existing oil territory. At the same time, Russian producers complain bitterly of the competition of the Standard Oil Company, against which they say they are powerless. Efforts have been made to create a Russian trust similar to the American company, but the attempt failed because of lack of financial backing.

RUSSIAN JEWS.

The Sultan of Turkey Has Stopped Emigration to Palestine.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—A letter is published here to-day from the minister in charge of Christ Church, Jerusalem, saying that the Sultan has stopped the influx of Russian Jews, and that he will not permit them to land in Palestine without a special order. Fifty families who arrived recently were sent back.

The letter adds that Baron Hirsch ought to arrange with the Porte terms of settlement which would permit of the Jews locating in Palestine. Palestine, the writer says, at present is thinly peopled. If the country were terraced, planted and supplied with water reservoirs it would be highly productive and the cost would be small in comparison with the expense of the system adopted in South American countries.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 5.—The Czar gave audience to Arnold White on Baron Hirsch's scheme yesterday. It is reported the interview was satisfactory.

The Sultan Feared Assassination.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The Standard's correspondent at Constantinople attributes the change in the Ministry to the Sultan's suspicion of a plot to take his life, such suspicion arising from the sudden extinguishment of the gas in the palace during a storm recently and the explosion of fireworks, on which occasion the Sultan forthwith dismissed and arrested several officials.

Missionaries Murdered.

PARIS, Sept. 5.—An official dispatch received by the Foreign Office from China confirms the report of the murder of two Sisters of Mercy and a Belgian priest during the recent anti-foreign riots.

India's Crops Improving.

CALCUTTA, Sept. 5.—Dispatches from Simla announce that agricultural prospects generally have taken a turn for the better, and the affected districts of Madras and Hyderabad are also improving.

PORK EMBARGO.

Official Notification of the Removal of the Restrictions.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—The formal notice of the success of the negotiations resulting in the removal of restrictions upon the importation of American pork into Germany reached the Department of State in the shape of a letter addressed to Acting Secretary Wharton by the German Charge d'Affaires, dated New York, September 4, 1891. It reads: "I have the honor to inform you that the restrictions placed upon the importation of American pork, swine and sausages into Germany have been rescinded, provided such live pigs or hog products have been examined according to your law of March 3d and according to the regulations of March 25th of this city and are furnished with proper official certificates."

DISTRICT FAIRS.

A Number of Lively Events at Grass Valley.

GRASS VALLEY, Sept. 5.—The largest gathering of the week was present at today's fair. The first event was the unfinished trotting race of Friday. Wapple won over Chloe two lengths in 2:31. The five-eighths of a mile and repeat race was contested by Joe Harding, Vino, Nerva, Kilgarif and Amazon. Harding was second choice in the pools, Nerva being the favorite. Harding won the first heat in 1:02½, Nerva very nearly taking the heat. Harding and Nerva were nip and tuck all round the second heat, but coming up the stretch Harding pocketed Nerva and won by a nose. The jockeys on dismounting came to blows but were quickly separated. A foul was claimed and Nerva was given the heat. Time, 1:03¼. Harding won the third heat hard pushed by Nerva who gained at every leap in the last eight. Time, 1:04.

The dash of one and a sixteenth miles for $200 and entrance money was filled by Index, Canny Scot and Wild Oats, Index being the favorite. Wild Oats won over Scot in 1:57½ by a head.

The trotting 2:24 class brought out Vidette, Pasha, Sidney J and Dinah. Vidette was a big favorite and passed the wire first, but got set back to second place for running. Pasha was awarded the heat, Sidney J third, Dinah distanced.

Roadsters owned by Mining Superintendents Starr, Tilley, Mainhart and Elliott had an interesting contest, two straight heats being won by Starr's horse.

The second heat of the trot was won by Vidette in 2:30. Pasha was within a neck of the winner. Vidette won the third heat, hard pushed, in 2:28, Pasha second, with Sidney J close up. Vidette took the fourth heat in 2:32½, Pasha being at his shoulder.

A foot-race of 100 yards between Wherlihan of Grass Valley and Armstrong of Iowa Hill was won by the former. Time, 11½ seconds.

WOODLAND'S FAIR ENDED.

Many of the Exhibits Being Removed to Sacramento.

WOODLAND, Sept. 5.—The fair closes tonight and everybody votes it a success. The stock parade to-day eclipsed any similar event in Yolo County, and the attendance was the largest of the season, and the fairness of the races and the superiority of the successful animals are matters of general comment among stockmen. The most interesting races took place this afternoon. First, a five-eighths mile dash, purse $200, was won by Red Cloud. Time, 1:03¼. This race was a surprise to the talent, and hundreds of dollars changed hands, with odds of 4 to 1 against Red Cloud.

Second, pacing, 2:20 class, purse $500, entries Our Dick, Belle Button and Tom Rider, was won by Our Dick in three straight heats. Best time, 2:20.

Third, trotting, 2:26 class, purse $600, entries Laura Z and Stranger, was won by Laura Z in three straight heats; best time 2:26¼. Fourth, a special dash of three-quarters of a mile, for a purse of $150, was won by Lydia Furguson; time, 1:16¼.

This is the closing evening at the pavilion, and an immense crowd is present. To-morrow the week's festivities and many of the exhibits to the State Fair will begin. Several from the pavilion, notably the business men's county exhibit, will be entered at Sacramento. Bullard's fine merino sheep and Gibson's Galloway herd and a long string of racers and other blooded stock will be sent over on Monday.

Racing at Portland.

PORTLAND, Sept. 5.—The fall meeting of the Portland Speed Association opened today with a large attendance. The weather was fine and the track fast. In the running mile and a sixteenth for a purse of $600, Nevada won, Mystery second, Misty Morn third. Time, $1:50. Half mile and repeat, purse of $500, Oregon Eclipse won, Jim R second, Eddie R third. Best time, 0:49.

In the trotting 2:29 class, purse $1000, Democrat won, Challenge Chief second, Cœur d'Alene third. Best time, 2:28.

Free-for-all pace, purse $1000, Rosie C and Turk Franklin each won a heat, when the race was postponed on account of darkness.

AID FOR THE DISTRESSED.

Efforts Made in Russia for the Relief of the Poor.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 5.—The orthodox clergy will organize collections to be taken up for the relief of the distress now prevailing among the poorer classes in many parts of Russia. In addition the Holy Synod will institute offertories in the churches of the Greek faith throughout Russia, and has ordered the funds of the wealthier churches and monasteries be drawn upon in order to assist the destitute. Relief committees are being formed in the principal towns throughout Russia for the reception and distribution of donations for the suffering classes.

HUMBOLDT BAY.

The Improvement of Its Entrance a Matter of Necessity.

Senator Felton and Congressman Loud start Sunday overland for Eureka, in response to an invitation from the citizens of that city to make them a visit that they may personally become acquainted with their needs in connection with the work now in progress there by the Government—the improvement of the entrance to Humboldt Bay, for which a large appropriation is desired and considered necessary. Colonel Mendell of the Engineer Department, who has charge of the river and harbor improvements on this Coast, or Major Huer, who is in charge of the work at Humboldt, will go up on the steamer Los Angeles next week, arriving there simultaneously with the party going overland. Surveyor-General W. H. Pratt will accompany the party overland, he being an old resident of Humboldt. It is also possible that Governor Markham will be one of the party, as the work under consideration is of paramount importance.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Dr. C. C. Valle of San Diego is at the Grand.

Allen Towle, the Truckee lumberman, is at the Baldwin.

Thomas Spiers of New Zealand is at the Occidental Hotel.

T. T. Brown, a wholesale druggist of New York City, is at the Palace.

H. A. McCraney of the Lakeport Avalanche is stopping at the Grand.

Van Cullen Jones of the New York World is in the city and registered at the Palace.

Dr. Washington Ayer and wife and Miss Mabel Adams Ayer have returned from Paraiso Springs.

Bishop W. F. Mallalieu of New Orleans and his sons, W. E. Mallalieu of Boston and G. W. Mallalieu of Millbury, Mass., are in the city. The Bishop will preach this evening at the Howard-street M. E. Church.

Harold H. S. Baring of London is at the Occidental. He is a member of the famous banking-house of Baring Sons, but was inaccessible to a large number of callers yesterday.

The Fire Bell.

The alarm from Box 158 at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon was for a fire in a one-story frame at 462 Clementina street, owned by Abe Rotchild and occupied as a dwelling by Moses Muller. The loss to the building was $200 and to the contents of the house $50. The cause of the fire was children playing with matches.

At 9:55 o'clock an alarm was rung in from Box 67 for a fire at 915 Mission street, in a two-story dwelling occupied by L Alexander. The damage to the building was $50, while the contents were damaged to the extent of $75. The cause of the fire was the explosion of a coal-oil lamp.

Window-Smashing.

As the 9:30 train was moving eastward along Seventh street, Oakland, it was bombarded by mischievous boys. A green pear struck a window, smashed the glass and the fragments of glass fell upon a lady in one of the seats.

TORONTO (Ontario), Sept. 5.—The Canadian Pacific Railway statement shows for seven months ending July 31st last net profits of $753,000 more than the corresponding period the previous year.

BENEFITS ARE OPTIONAL.

The Grand Council of the Y. M. I. So Decide.

Close of an Eventful and Busy Annual Session—Fresno the Next Meeting Place.

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