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PENSACOLA has a Depth of 33 Feet of Water in the Channel at the Entrance of the Harbor.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Annual Banquet Held at Hotel Escombria Last Night.

SECRETARY WATSON'S REPORT.

One of the Most Complete and Comprehensive Records in a City's Progress Ever Compiled—Gen. Russell A. Alger, C. W. D. Mann, Commandant W. W. Reisinger and Capt. C. A. F. Flagler Among The Guests—A Brilliant Responses to Toasts.

The annual meeting and banquet of the Pensacola Chamber of Commerce at Hotel Escombria last night was an occasion of rare enjoyment to all who were fortunate enough to be present, and an event of much more than ordinary significance in its relation to the past progress and future advancement of the material interests of the city and the port.

The great dining hall, recently redecorated, was artistically embellished with evergreen and floral wreaths and designs, the long table being particularly picturesque with its snowy linen, handsome ware and profuse floral ornamentation, chief of which, as a centre-piece, was a beautiful floral ship. The menu, arranged with artistic taste, and exquisitely served, was worthy of Delmonico's in its best days, and reflected great credit upon the hotel management. The roster of guests was as follows: Gen. Russell A. Alger of Michigan and Col. W. D. Mann of New York, guests of honor; Hon. W. A. Blount, president of the Chamber, presiding; Mr. Thos. C. Watson, secretary; Capt. A. A. Reisinger, Capt. C. A. F. Flagler, W. C. Massey, U. S. A., Mr. P. W. Atkins of England, John Thomas Porter of Grand Ridge, Hon. John Deuham and Mr. Frank L. Mayes, representing the press of the city, Vice President J. M. Roberts, and Secretary C. A. Choate, representing the Young Men's Business League, invited guests; and Messrs. H. G. DeSilva, John G. Wood, A. C. Blount, Jr., R. M. Cary, Bryan Dunwoody, C. A. Cosulich, Walker Anderson, A. V. Clubbs, S. C. Cobb, J. M. Hilliard, T. V. Kessler, W. B. Wright, L. Hilton Green, A. M. Avery, W. S. Keyser, John C. Avery, B. S. Liddon and Wm. Fisher, officers and members of the Chamber.

The chief feature of the occasion was the reading of the secretary's report, a most interesting and exhaustive document, in which that energetic and most competent official reviewed in detail the material advancement of the city during the past year, under the heads of Harbor Improvements, Steamship Lines, Wharves and Docks, Railroad Extension, New Buildings, Assessment and Taxes, Weather Service, Fishing Industry, Manufacturers, Export-Import, Street Car System, Population, Education, Vital Statistics, Fire Protection, Banking Capital, Real Estate and Winter Visitors. The report, which will be printed in pamphlet form and widely circulated, will doubtless do more to attract attention to the resources, advantages and attractions of Pensacola than any publication that has ever been made upon these topics. As a document of reference for future use it will be invaluable.

After the delighted guests had fully discussed the various features of the menu, and had become appropriately enthused by indulgence in its several elements, speech-making was declared in order, the president acting as toast-master. His well-known aptitude for the position was recognized by all, and added rich flavor to the intellectual feast which followed the consumption of material sustenance. Judge Jno. C. Avery responded appropriately to the toast "The Chamber of Escombria." Mayor J. M. Hilliard eloquently dwelt upon the past progress and future of "The City of Pensacola." Mr. L. Hilton Green's address upon "Our Export Trade" was both witty and practical, and he elicited delighted applause by declaring his belief that the day would come when Pensacola exports, enormously increased, would pass out over the water, destined for the ports of other Indian American ships, built in Pensacola. Captain Cobb eloquently and intelligently handled the subject of "Our Shipping Interests," and predicted a bright future for them brought with promise and fall of encouragement to the many others, who, under new auspices, presaged by current events, might soon be added to their number. Col. T. V. Kessler, an officer of the largest manufacturing plant in this vicinity—the Fertilizer works—humorously and seriously responded to "Our Manufacturing Industry." Mr. Wm. Fisher aptly responded to the toast, "Our Railroad," dwelling upon the friendly relations existing between our one great system and our business interests, and predicting a hearty wel-

come to other railroads that might seek Pensacola as an outlet to the Gulf and the world's commerce in the near future. Judge A. C. Blount, Jr., a member for years of the county school board, responded to the sentiment, "Our Educational Interests," capturing the audience with his ready wit, and being heartily applauded for a loving tribute to the teachers of the county.

The brief address of Hon. B. S. Liddon on "Our Attractions to Visitors" was the gem of the evening's oratory, his brilliant word-painting descriptive of our beautiful bay attaining the rank of a classic. "Our Sister Organization, Y. M. B. L.," was responded to briefly by the secretary of that body in the absence of its honored president, Mr. W. K. Hyer, Jr., and "The Press" was the subject of brief but eloquent remarks from Hon. John Deuham of the Pensacola Daily Press.

The formal program having been completed, the president called upon Gen. Alger, and the response was listened to with profound interest and keen appreciation. He spoke of his interest in Florida, and of the possibility of an early enlargement thereof, and referred briefly to the wonderful impetus given to almost every material interest of the country by the results of the recent war with Spain. He won anew the sympathies of his hearers by a loving and eloquent tribute to the distinguished publicist and patriot who had just been chosen to succeed himself as U. S. senator from Alabama—Hon. John T. Morgan. Col. Mann was also invited to speak, and did so with telling effect, referring to his former residence in our neighboring state—Alabama—and the fact that, besides being able to claim Ohio, Michigan, and other states as former homes, he could also claim to be a Floridian—by brevet, as it were—because of his possession of a delightful winter home somewhere on the peninsula. Capt. Flagler, who was on the list for a response to "Our Harbor," was obliged by an important business engagement to catch the 11:20 train for Montgomery, and left at an early hour, as also did Capt. Reisinger, greatly to the regret of all present.

Among the interesting events of the evening was the unanimous adoption of a resolution instructing the secretary to send the following telegram to Senator Morgan:

The Chamber of Commerce of Pensacola, Florida, greets and congratulates the country upon your support and re-election and beg to express the hope that during your renewed term the realization of your many years of effort for the improvement and development of the commerce of the great inter-oceanic highway of commerce, the Nicaragua canal.

At an "early hour"—about 1:30 a. m.—the pleasure-weary company brought the proceedings to a close by drinking hearty toasts, standing, to the Chamber of Commerce, to its distinguished guests, to President Blount and Secretary Watson, and to "the loved ones at home."

"Fortune favors the brave," it is also favorable to those who purify their blood at this season by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

BASEBALL.

The National League Season Opens This Afternoon.

NEW YORK, April 19.—The National League baseball season will open this afternoon. The following games will be played: Brooklyn at New York; Philadelphia at Boston; Chicago at Cincinnati; Pittsburgh at St. Louis. Now that the circuit has been reduced from twelve to eight clubs, the season will open more promising than before. Every club has been strengthened in nearly all positions and the clubs will all be bunched near the top for more than half of the season, and the grand stand finish will probably come in with possibly Brooklyn, Boston and St. Louis fighting it out among themselves.

Dal Hawks—Kid Parker.

CHICAGO, April 19.—Dal Hawkins, the crack California boxer, will meet Kid Parker, the Denver cyclone, at Patterson's for six rounds to-night. Hawkins has height, reach and ring experience in his favor, and with these advantages should beat Parker. Parker is coming to the front very rapidly, and has defeated some good men. In Hawkins, the wisecracker agrees, he is tackling too hard a game.

Alabama Republicans.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 19.—The republican state convention opened here to-day, to select delegates to the national convention. Disputing factions arranged with Secretary Dick of the national committee to present their claims to a committee whose action will be final, and there is peace.

Alabama Women's Press Association. MONTGOMERY, Ala., April 19.—The annual convention of the Alabama Women's Press Association opened here to-day, and will continue to-morrow. Newspaper women from all parts of the state are present. President Mrs. George C. Ball is in the chair.

Tennessee Republicans.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 19.—The republican state convention opened here to-day, for the purpose of nominating delegates to the national convention, and also a candidate for governor, railroad commissioners and electors.

Cleaning ladies skirts and waists is one of our specialties. Star Laundry.

WORK IS RESUMED ON THE CORNELL DAM

Militia Is Now Master of the Situation.

MACHINISTS MAY RETURN

Efforts Made to Settle the Cleveland Strike—Miners Accept Scale and Will Return to Work—Steel Wire Plants Resume Operations.

CROTON LANDING, N. Y., April 18.—In accordance with the promise made last night by General Roe, in command of the troops, work has been resumed at the Cornell dam. The strikers made no opposition.

About 200 men reported for duty and of this number about 50 were stone masons, while the others were laborers and men who work on the quarry trains.

None of the men who reported for duty were strikers and there still remain out between 400 and 500, mostly Italians. Of the 50 stone masons who returned to work 16 were Italians. As the men were assembling at the works separate Companies A and B made a demonstration on the hill. This was done to assure the strikers that the soldiers were ready for any emergency.

Corporal James O'Brien of Troy, who was on guard at the cable anchorage, challenged three men at daylight this morning. They ran away and O'Brien fired at them, but did not find a target. The fire was not returned. Whether the men were strikers is not known.

SETTLEMENT IS PROBABLE.

Efforts to Adjust Differences Between Machinists and Manufacturers.

CLEVELAND, April 18.—All indications point toward a change in the situation of the machinists' strike in this city within the next few days. H. L. Devens of New York, secretary of the National Metal Trades association, is here in conference with leading manufacturers.

The strikers cling to their original assertion that no outside machinists can be obtained and think that Mr. Devens' presence in Cleveland is significant. Information from a reliable source is to the effect that Mr. Devens is to have a conference with President O'Connell, of the International Association of Machinists at New York within the next few days.

Wire Mills Resume Operations.

PITTSBURGH, April 18.—Suspension of the American Steel and Wire mills of this district has been brief. The wire departments of the works are in operation again. Orders have been issued for the resumption of the Braddock wire plant. All the drawing and rod departments are to begin at once. The mill will not be expected to resume for several weeks, as it is claimed the mill market is stagnant. It is reported at Braddock that the other mills will resume in a short time.

Miners Accept Scale.

METERSDALE, Pa., April 18.—The miners of the Cumberland Summit Coal company have voted to accept the company's offer of 55 cents a ton and will return to work Thursday. All the miners in this region will return to work at the same scale within the next few days.

TOLBERT WILL BE REMOVED.

Collector of Customs and Others to Lose Their Positions.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The president, acting on the recommendation of Secretary Gage, will at once remove John R. Tolbert, collector of customs at Charleston, and will appoint Robert M. Wallace of Sumter, S. C., to the vacancy. This action is taken upon the report of government agents in which it was shown to the satisfaction of the secretary that Tolbert and other office employees of the Charleston customhouse secreted liquor in the building for illegal purposes.

Wallace, it is said, will dismiss the deputy collector and at least one janitor, and possibly others who are alleged to have had a hand in the storing of the liquor. The clerks, who are presumably innocent of wrong doing, will not be dismissed.

MANGLED BODY IN THE RUINS

Explosion Kills Newnan and Demolished His Office.

SALISBURY, N. C., April 18.—J. J. Newnan was killed early yesterday morning by an explosion that destroyed his office at Dutch Creek, 5 miles north of this place. He was in his office at this place until 1 o'clock writing. He then had his horses hitched and bid the watchman goodby, saying he was going to Dutch Creek. He left some letters here saying that he was tired of living. Some one passing Dutch Creek last afternoon discovered that his office was blown up. Upon investigation the body of Newnan was found in the ruins.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

NUTS: 10c. PER POUND.

Jacoby has 500 to 600 pounds of Italian Chestnuts and Choice Hazelnuts, which he is offering, to close out, at 10 cents per pound. 7atf

CROPS ALMOST DESTROYED.

Corn, Cotton and Trucks Suffer Severely from Flood.

JACKSON, Miss., April 18.—Blasted specials from several sections of the state indicate that the three days' flood wrought damage greatly in excess of the first estimates, especially to growing crops. Many truck plantations are still under water and will be almost completely destroyed unless the waters recede in a few hours. Young corn has been reported damaged especially on the hillsides and it is estimated that one-half of the fertilizers placed on newly planted cotton crops has been washed away in the swollen streams.

The Illinois Central is again tied up by a freight train which tumbled over in the switch just below this city, and the Alabama & Vicksburg is still tied up at Baker's creek and Pearl river, the Natchez division of the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley road will not be able to resume regular traffic for several days on account of missing bridges.

Five Bodies Recovered.

MERIDIAN, Miss., April 18.—The flood situation remains unchanged as to railroad traffic. Trains with the exception of the Mobile and Ohio north remain stalled indefinitely. Wires are down to stations where trains are tied up and the extent of latest washouts is unknown. Laurel, on the Northeastern road, is reported completely submerged. Streams throughout the state continue to rise. The bodies of five flood victims were recovered this morning. The search continues.

Traffic Has Been Resumed.

MEMPHIS, April 18.—Traffic on the Illinois Central and Yazoo and Mississippi Valley road has been resumed. Reports from the overflowed districts in Mississippi are to the effect that large forces of men are at work on the roads and are in condition for moving trains. A passenger train is reported water-bound on the Mobile & Ohio railroad near Quitman, Miss. The swollen rivers and streams in the flooded districts are now receding.

DR. ROMINE WILL NOT MOVE.

Efforts of His Neighbors to Run Him Out Futile.

OMAHA, April 18.—Some time ago Dr. J. S. Romine of Chadron purchased land in Sioux county, the northwest part of the state, and established a sheep ranch. The settlers complained that he allowed his sheep to roam over their land and has monopolized all the range. They requested him to move out, but he declined. Recently a number of his sheep were found dead from poison. Anger holes had been bored in the posts of his wind mills and the first stiff breeze blew them over.

Romine has declared he will stay and the settlers are determined he shall move and serious trouble is feared.

BULLET THROUGH HER LUNG.

Young Lady Attempts Suicide—Her Wound Pronounced Fatal.

THOMSON, Ga., April 18.—Miss Eunice Owens, the 18-year-old daughter of Rev. O. S. Owens of this place, attempted suicide last night by shooting herself with a pistol, the ball entering the left lung and inflicting a wound which the doctors pronounce fatal.

A protracted meeting is in progress at the Methodist church and her father had gone to church. The young lady declined to go, and calling at the home of a lady friend proposed a short walk. Just as they came to Main street, and when under a lamp, she drew the pistol and fired. No cause is known for the rash act.

Will Meet at Barnesville.

ATLANTA, April 18.—The executive committee of the County School Commissioners' association at a meeting in the office of State Commissioner Glenn at the capitol decided upon Barnesville as the place for the next annual meeting of the association. The meeting occurs during the first week in July, while the Chattahoochee is in session there.

Safe in New York.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The Countess Festetics, formerly Miss Ellen Haggin, who was reported to have been drowned by the sinking of her husband's yacht, is in this city. She was on the vessel at the time of the disaster.

Deaths From Plague in India.

SIMLA, April 18.—The deaths from the plague throughout India during the past week slightly decreased in number, but the aggregate is still upward of 4,000.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.

Geo. W. Waitt, of South Gardner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50-cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by Hannah Bros. and all medicine dealers.

SEE ROSS & CO.

ABOUT SCREENS.

We will soon receive a fine lot of patent window awnings, wait for them. Marston & Finch.

DURHAM Cigars have no equal. For sale at D'Alemberte's.

FINLAYE SAYS HE WILL FACE CHARGE

Will Return to Kentucky When His Case Comes Up.

REQUISITION DE REFUSED

Governor Mount Will Not Surrender Accused to Beckham—Trial of Colson—Captain Golden Put on Witness Stand by Commonwealth.

INDIANAPOLIS, April 18.—Charles Finlaye, former secretary of state of Kentucky, who has been here for several weeks, has been notified of the indictment that has been returned against him and other Kentucky Republicans, was called upon today by the Kentucky Republicans who are in the city.

"I intend to return to return to Kentucky and face the indictments against me," he said. "My mind has not been changed by the news of the indictment. I have all along intended to go back to my state. I cannot say just when I shall go, probably not until the trial on the indictment, for I am not willing to go back and be thrown into jail. When the time for the trial comes, however, I shall go to Kentucky and defend myself against the unjust charges they have brought against me."

Mr. Finlaye said further that he had no doubt that he would have been thrown into jail like Powers and Davis were in Lexington, if it had not been simply by chance private interests had brought him into Indiana.

As to his belief as to whether Beckham would make another attempt to remove him from Indiana by requisition Mr. Finlaye politely declined to talk.

CANNOT ARREST FINLAYE.

Governor Mount Will Refuse Requisition of Governor Beckham.

FRANKFORT, Ky., April 18.—It is believed here that there will be some trouble in securing the extradition from Indianapolis of ex-Secretary of State Charles Finlaye, who has been indicted by the grand jury in connection with the murder of Governor Goshel.

Governor Mount of Indiana has refused to recognize requisitions from Governor Beckham and Governor Taylor will not be asked to make the requisition by the Franklin county officials, because that would be a requisition of the contestee, who has an adverse decision from the state courts.

COLSON PLACED ON TRIAL.

Captain Golden Appears as Witness For Prosecution.

FRANKFORT, Ky., April 18.—The taking of testimony in the Colson trial commenced this morning in the circuit court.

The first witness introduced by the commonwealth was Captain B. B. Golden, who was badly shot during the duel and who is supposed to have entered the hotel office with Ethelbert Scott, Golden testified at length as to his whereabouts after arriving in this city up to the time of the shooting.

Golden said he left Scott at the cigar stand and started across the office to the main entrance. Did not know whether Scott was following him or not, got almost to the door when he saw Colson arise from his chair and heard some one moving rapidly behind him.

"Colson took steady aim and fired the first shot," said the witness, "but I don't know who fired the second. I was shot in the back while trying to get out of the room."

In the cross examination nothing new was brought out and after two hours on the stand Captain Golden was excused.

ELECTION IN LOUISIANA.

Democrats Carry State by Large Majority—Light Vote Pollied.

NEW ORLEANS, April 18.—The Democrats elect every one of their senators and representatives. The storm interrupted communication with many of the country districts, but such returns as have been received indicate Democratic majorities, and it looks as though the two Republican tickets together had received not over 15,000 votes, a Democratic majority of 3 to 1.

The total vote will scarcely exceed 60,000 against 207,000 a year ago and with a total registration of 140,000.

The state senate will be unanimously Democratic, and the house of 105 members will contain about three Populists and two Republicans. This assures the reelection of M. E. Fry to the United States and M. J. Foster to succeed Senator Caffery.

Democrats Carry New Haven.

NEW HAVEN, April 18.—The annual election of city and town officers resulted in a complete victory for the Democratic candidates. No majority candidate was voted for. The Democratic majorities range from 2,000 to 2,300 and are the largest in years. The Democrats have control of both branches of the common council.

Illinois License Elections.

CHICAGO, April 18.—Of 145 cities, towns and villages in Illinois, 70 voted against license, 55 for license, Joliet for high and Lockville for low. Republicans carried 11 of the 18 communities in which party lines were drawn.

IN ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

Meeting of Catholic Educators—Interesting Papers Read.

CHICAGO, April 18.—The second annual conference of Catholic colleges of America and Canada is in session at St. James high school hall in this city. Prominent Catholic educators, representing nearly all the Catholic colleges of the country are in attendance. Many able papers have been prepared on subjects which are of importance to the colleges.

"Culturing of the Catholic Educators" will be discussed, as will also "Uniformity of Education."

The "Relative merits of the Courses in Catholic and non-Catholic Colleges or the Bachelor at," was the title of a paper by Rev. Timothy Brosnahn, of Woodstock college, Baltimore.

In the afternoon a paper by Rev. James A. Burns, of the Notre Dame university, entitled "The Elective Systems of Studies" was discussed.

This evening Monsignor Conary, president of the conference delivered his annual address.

TO BUILD RUSSIAN RAILWAY.

Americans Go to Europe to Compete For Contract.

PHILADELPHIA, April 18.—E. F. Walker of this city and J. H. McCleary of Richmond, representing prominent capitalists of Philadelphia and Richmond, sailed today from New York on the steamship New York for Southampton. They are authorized to pledge bonds for any amount of money necessary to secure the contract for building the projected railroad from St. Petersburg to Odessa, which will traverse more than half the Russian empire from north to south.

It is understood that the new railroad cannot be constructed for less than \$90,000,000. Should the contract come to this country the responsible positions in the actual construction of the railroads will be filled by Americans. All heads of departments for the planning and all foremen required for the laying of the railroad will be taken from American officers and workshops and only American material will be used.

MUTILATED BODY IS FOUND.

Head Severed, Limbs Broken and Trunk Cut Into Bits.

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 18.—The mangled and mutilated remains of Alexander Main, chief of police of Stevenson, has been found in a grave near a cluster of Chinese shacks 2 miles from Stevenson. Main has been missing since Sunday, when he went to one of the Chinese cabins to search for some missing tools believed to have been stolen. Main's head had been severed from the body, his arms and legs broken in several places and the trunk hacked into small bits. Two Chinese are under arrest charged with the murder.

Stevenson is a fishing village, where are located canneries, and during the canning season has a floating population of 5,000 or 6,000 Chinese, Indians and Japanese.

RECEIVER IS APPLIED FOR.

Blackwell Tobacco Company Asks Court to Intervene.

CHARLESTON, April 18.—Application has been made before United States Circuit Judge Simonton for a permanent receiver for the Blackwell Tobacco company. The American Tobacco company, owning a majority of the stock, claims that W. A. Gulbric, a stockholder, is trying to have the North Carolina legislature pass a bill to repeal the Blackwell company's charter, and to have an unfriendly receiver appointed.

The motion is meant to have the affairs of the company wound up and sold under order of the court. Judge Simonton took the matter under advisement.

Will Bore For Oil.

CHATTANOOGA, April 18.—A new company has been formed at Dayton, Tenn., for the purpose of continuing the work of boring for oil in the oil belt 4 miles east of Dayton. The company will be known as the Richland Oil company, and will bore 2,000 or 3,000 feet deeper in the well which has already been sunk to the depth of 1,000 feet.

Bubonic Plague Appears.

CAIRO, April 18.—The bubonic plague is reported to have made its appearance at several ports on the Red sea.

If troubled with rheumatism, give Chamberlain's Pain Balm a trial. It will not cost you a cent if it does no good. One application will relieve the pain. It also cures sprains and bruises in one-third the time required by any other treatment. Cuts, burns, frostbites, quinsy, pains in the side and chest, glandular and other swellings are quickly cured by applying it. Every bottle warranted. Price, 25 and 50 cts. For sale by Hannah Bros. and all medicine dealers.

FINE POULTRY.

At C. Corner's Poultry Yard.

I am now ready to sell eggs for setting from the following breeds of chickens: Dark Brahmans, Partridge Cochins, Light Brahmans, White Cochins, Plymouth Rocks, Brown Leghorns, Wyndots. My fowls are from the very best strains to be found, and I invite the public to call and see my poultry yard—about 700 fine fowls on hand. Settings of 13 eggs for \$1.50. LOUIE COLLINS, Manager.

ROSS & CO.'S FLY SCREENS.