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A JOB OF PRINTING

"May I print a kiss on your cheek?" I asked.
She nodded her sweet permission, So we went to press, and I rather guess, We printed a large edition.

It is not often that a President does a thing that pleases everybody, but Mr. McKinley didn't miss it far when he announced that he would not be a candidate for a third term. The sum and substance of the sentiments expressed by men of all political parties is that the country owes President McKinley a debt of gratitude for saving it from such a three-year third-term discussion as that which the people went through in the late seventies, when General Grant was being pushed for a third term, and when enmities were aroused which lasted for years. Of the two, McKinley would certainly be more preferable than would Hanna, still there is not the slightest doubt that the sentiment of the country is now, as always has been, overwhelmingly opposed to a third term for any President.

THE labor organizations are already at work preparing petitions to congress for the re-enactment of the Chinese exclusion law, which will lapse next year, at the coming session of congress, and their leaders are anticipating a hard fight. Assistant Secretary Taylor, of the Treasury, who has charge of immigration affairs, expresses the opinion that congress will re-enact the exclusion law. The Knights of Labor, the Federation of Labor and the International Association of Machinists are all actively in the fight for re-enactment.

THE delegation of Indians which arrived in Washington on June 14 to protest against the carrying out of the treaty for the opening of the Kiowa, Comanche and Apache lands, in Oklahoma, will have no effect upon the plans for the opening of the land for settlement.

The PRESS is the only paper published on the Colorado desert.—\$1.50.

W. F. HOLT RETURNS

After an Absence of a Week in San Diego

People of That Place are Running Over With Enthusiasm of The Railroad Project

W. F. Holt returned to Imperial Monday, from San Diego, where he had been the past week, attending meetings of the executive committee of the San Diego Eastern railway, of which he is a member. Mr. Holt reports a good trip, but says people over there are complaining with the heat. What a pity they cannot close up their houses and cross the mountains for a breath of Imperial's pure air.

Regarding the railroad movement Mr. Holt says San Diegans are certainly very enthusiastic, and are making every effort in their power to secure an early connection with the country this side of the mountains. He said that the people of that place propose to raise \$50,000 to be used by the executive committee for preliminary purposes, and then propose to give a subsidy of \$500,000 to the road when arrangements are completed for its construction. This, with the \$500,000 offered by the Imperial Land company, constitutes a nice little fund alone, and there should be no trouble to induce some railroad capitalists to take hold of the matter and put it through.

The committee will employ a railroad engineer at once and consider the route best suited for the road, secure rights of way, subsidies, franchises, etc. In fact the committee is now considering, in a general way, the advantages of the different routes from San Diego to the Colorado river. Nothing short of a competent engineer, however, can decide this question, as there are many advantages and disadvantages to be considered.

It will doubtless surprise many to be told that the value of the coal produced by the United States in 1900—\$297,920,000—exceed that of any other mineral and was one-third of the total of all minerals. But the fact is attested by official figures just completed and made public by the U. S. Geological Survey. Our coal product was 14,000,000 tons greater, or 16%, than in the previous year, and leaves England far behind as the greatest coal producer, a position she held previous to 1899. We will probably fall short a few tons this year, however, because of the damage sustained by the coal region of West Virginia by recent floods.

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PRESS NOTES

Elsinore Press: A claim is made by French scientist that beans, when too liberally partaken of, produce a mild form of intoxication. We have often wondered if there was not something like that in the wind.

A Richmond man found two gold watches under a setting hen. Either some one was trifling with the holiest feelings of that hen in a way which even his lavishness doesn't excuse, or else she belongs to a breed worth importing to El Paso; the goose that laid the golden egg wasn't in it for a minute alongside a hen that is capable of gold watches.—El Paso Herald.

Rochester Union: Miss Alysse O'Leary, granddaughter of the Mrs. O'Leary whose cow kicked over the lamp that burned Chicago, has just paid a visit to that city. She is very proud of being the descendant of the proprietor of the animal that dealt that famous kick. "Look at Chicago as it is," she says, "and then think what it would have been if Grandmother O'Leary's cow had been of the breed that does not kick." Yet they say that Miss O'Leary is not haughty at all, but bears her honors quite modestly, often speaking to common people.

Sacramento Record Union: The press of Southern California has long thought that south counties need a State prison. We of the north and center think so too. We are perfectly willing that they shall have the Folsom concern. The sooner we are rid of it, the better pleased we will be. It is a model prison and all that, but we are taking medicine now bitter to the taste that we do not need. We cried for the prison like a silly child for a denied toy. After long endeavor we are gratified to the point of enthusiasm by the State presenting us with that we so much longed for. Now that we have it, will some one please take it away?

El Paso Herald: Nine arctic expeditions will go a-poling this year, the Ziegler-Baldwin headed by Baldwin from Brooklyn; Admiral Makaroff with the Russian ice breaking steamer (plans of which were kleptomaniacized from an American engineer); a Canadian outfit, headed by a man named Bernie and going over the ice; a German party of which no details are known; Peary's which will try to arrive via Greenland; a joint affair headed by an Italian duke and Nansen, the Swede; a party led by Robert Stein which will try to break across Elles-

mere Land; a party under M. Stokken which is going by way of Franz Josef Land, and finally a Russian explorer who is going up into the Kara sea.

Philadelphia Times: The McKeesport man who resigned from the common council because he found that, to be useful to his constituents, he must stifle his conscience, might conceivably have been of more use to them had he stuck to his post. This would have required courage and persistence, which he evidently did not possess; but with these qualities a man with a conscience may often accomplish a great deal. It is discouraging work. He will not enter into log-rolling combinations and so he gets nothing for his ward and his constituents think him ineffectual. But if he has the courage and backbone to stay by his post and carry out his convictions, it is no telling the wonderful amount of good he might have accomplished.

Riverside Press: Mayor Snyder of Los Angeles may pray to be delivered from his friends before he progresses very far on his gubernatorial campaign. Chris Buckley, "the blind white devil," has come out for Snyder, and if anything will hoodoo a man in California politics, it is Buckley's support for any office. The fact that Snyder is acceptable to so notorious and shameless a political boss as Buckley, is one very good evidence that we do not want him for Governor. We should think that in the above the Press takes a very peculiar stand. Of course we are not acquainted with the history of Buckley, but no doubt as bad men as he voted for General Grant and the fact that they did failed to render Grant unloyal to his country, and the same might be true in the case of Snyder.

Texas Farm and Ranch: The Boer war has astonished the world. History gives no account of a people fighting for liberty against such odds, and manifesting such self-sacrificing heroism. Unquestionably, the people of the civilized world, by a large majority, sympathize with these hardy heroes, but the governments of the earth will not take any step to thwart the intentions of Great Britain. The Boers are now looking to the Hague Peace tribunal, but in vain, for England only consented to the tribunal on condition that no question concerning the South African Republics should be considered by it, thus showing that England at this time made no secret of her intention to subjugate those people whenever she is ready to undertake the task. The Boer war will be the blackest spot on the pages of history.

E. O. Meredith, who for several months has been driving the stage between this place and Flowingwell, left for his home in San Diego Wednesday.