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PLENTY OF RUMORS

Reported Five Battalions of Japanese Were Entirely Wiped Out on the Peninsula.

THE REPORT LACKS CONFIRMATION

It is Said Cossacks Captured Two Japanese Transport Columns Leaving the Army Without Supplies.

There is Continual Skirmishing Between Russian Cavalry and Japanese—Cossacks Are Pressing Them in the Hills.

Liao Yang, May 25.—A report has been received from New Chwang saying that on May 18 five battalions of Japanese troops reconnoitered to the south almost as far as Kin Chou and ran into Maj. Gen. Fock's artillery, which was strongly posted on the heights in a narrow section of the Liao Tung peninsula and that the Japanese were entirely wiped out. The report lacks confirmation.

London, May 25.—The correspondent of the Morning Post at Mukden, under date of May 24, says it is reported there that Gen. Sennenkampff's Cossacks captured two Japanese transport columns, thus leaving the Japanese army without supplies in a difficult country.

Liao Yang, May 25.—There is continued skirmishing between the Russian cavalry and the Japanese. Cossacks are pressing the Japanese in the hills and by roads generally driving them back.

The general plan of the Japanese has not been divulged. They are apparently making time, awaiting the arrival of reserves from Korea, who have been delayed owing to the impassability of the roads.

The Japanese are sending all invalids in the direction of the Yalu to a central hospital.

The Chinese report the destruction of another Japanese battleship off Port Arthur, but the report is unconfirmed and is not credited.

Several Japanese who landed from junks near Port Arthur and started toward the town with the intention of dynamiting the docks, were captured and shot.

The Russian wounded are recovering rapidly. Several wounded soldiers deserted from the hospital and stole back to the front.

A typhoon is raging off the coast.

Washington, May 25.—Through our ministers abroad the naval attaches of the United States have been instructed to report upon the number and danger to neutral shipping of war mines floating off the Manchurian coast. The information will be placed in the hands of the naval general board, who will submit its views to the president, and if occasion warrants it representations will be made to the belligerents.

Liao Yang, May 25.—It is reported from a Chinese source that the Japanese have evacuated Feng Wang Cheng and are occupying villages in the surrounding territory. There is no explanation of this move, but it is thought that it may be connected with the prevailing cholera epidemic.

RUSSIAN COMMISSION.

It is on a Secret Mission to President Loubet.

Paris, May 25.—The Soir claims that it has learned from a trustworthy source that Lieut. Gen. Baron Fredrick and another member of the Russian court who recently visited Paris, came on a secret mission which had for its purpose the seeking of the intervention and effective support of the French government in the event of China adopting an aggressive attitude towards the Russians in Manchuria. The paper alleges that the government gave a formal promise of compliance with Russia's request.

Exposition Flag.

Portland, Ore., May 25.—An official flag for the Lewis and Clark exposition has been adopted. The design is in four colors—red, white blue and yellow—symbolical of England, France, Russia and Spain, the countries which first sent exploring expeditions to the great northwest.

The Vatican Controversy.

Paris, May 25.—The government has decided to fully present the vatican controversy, culminating in the recall of M. Nisard, to the chamber of deputies. A violent debate is expected and the government is preparing for a more radical action.

Suicided By Shooting.

St. Louis, May 25.—Miss Beatrice May Clifton, who was formerly cashier of the E. J. Arnold Co., defunct turf investment company, committed suicide Tuesday night by shooting herself in the breast. Ill health the cause.

MOTHER AND SON ARRESTED.

The Two Are Charged With Violating the Hotel Law.

New York, May 25.—An elderly woman who said she was Mrs. Anna D. Smith and that her father was postmaster general in President Lincoln's cabinet, was arrested here Tuesday charged with violating the hotel law. Later her son, 30 years of age, who gave his name as Dennison Smith, was also arrested on a similar charge. Mrs. Smith sent a note to William H. Bliss, nephew of Cornelius N. Bliss, who, she said, was her lawyer. Mr. Bliss denied that she was his client and sent word to her that he was powerless to help her. Later he said that although he had not seen the woman under arrest, he had every reason to believe that she was Anna Dennison Smith, daughter of Gov. William Dennison, of Ohio, who was postmaster general under President Lincoln, and continued in office by President Johnson. Both arrests were made on complaint of Charles Dabb, of the Hotel Navarre, who alleges that the woman left the hotel five weeks ago owing him \$271 for board and rooms and for money loaned, and that Dennison Smith occupied the suite of rooms with his mother while she lived at the hotel.

Mrs. Smith declared that her arrest was an outrage, that she left the hotel because of a difference with Dabb and that she was waiting for a remittance from her brother, a broker, in Columbus, O.

GILLESPIE MURDER CASE.

It Will Probably Go to the Jury On Friday.

Rising Sun, Ind., May 25.—The fate of James Gillespie, Myron Barbour, his wife, Carrie, and Mrs. Belle Seward, the four defendants in the now famous Gillespie murder case, will probably be entrusted to the 12 men who are sitting in judgment as jurors some time Friday. The defense closed its side of the great case at noon Tuesday. As the time for closing the great legal battle draws near interest in the trial is growing more intense.

James Gillespie was cross-examined Tuesday by Attorney Spaan. The witness declared that he did not fire the shot that killed his sister and had not the slightest idea who did. He admitted that he did not go to the house the night of the murder and retired about 10:30 that night. He did not attend the funeral. He denied the statements of all the witnesses for the prosecution.

Mrs. Belle Seward, one of the defendants and the last witness to take the stand for the defense, gave her age as 52 years. She said she was not in the front room of her house on the day that Elizabeth Gillespie was murdered. She contradicted the testimony of her brother Jim in the early portion of her testimony by saying that Jim left the supper table before she did on the night of the assassination.

THE NIGHT OF THE MURDER.

McDonald and Wife Were Visitors at the Fisher Home.

Bedford, Ind., May 25.—When court reconvened Tuesday Sherman Fisher was called. He testified that McDonald and his wife were visitors at the Fisher home on the night of the murder and told of being in Cosner's scale office with McDonald on the following morning, when the murder was discussed. He also testified that he was with McDonald when Moses Koplant told them the murdered woman was Miss Schaefer.

Mrs. Hannah Fisher, mother of Mrs. McDonald, corroborated the testimony of Sherman regarding the visit of McDonald and his wife at her home on the night of the murder.

L. E. Griggsby testified that he was not in his grocery store from 4:25 until 7:30 on the night of January 21. During cross-examination, Prosecutor Miller and the witness engaged in a tilt over a question as to how often McDonald visited Mr. Griggsby's grocery. At the conclusion of Griggsby's testimony, Attorney Palmer rose and announced: "Your honor, the defense rests." There was a noticeable murmur throughout the courtroom. The court then adjourned.

BODY RECOVERED.

Thought to Be That of Secretary Prall, of the Elgin Watch Co.

Chicago, May 25.—The badly decomposed body of a man was taken from the Calumet river at the foot of 91st street Tuesday night, and from articles found in the clothing, it is supposed to be that of W. G. Prall, secretary of the Elgin National Watch Co., who suddenly disappeared November 28, 1903. The body was discovered by Frank Todd, a member of the life saving crew stationed at 91st street.

New York, May 25.—Col. James F. Gookins, son of the late Chief Justice Gookins, of Indiana, is dead at a hotel here from a stroke of apoplexy.

INFANT TELEGRAPH

Sixtieth Anniversary of First Message Between Baltimore and Washington Celebrated.

A DINNER GIVEN IN THE CAPITAL.

Clarence H. Mackay, President of the Postal Telegraph Cable Co., Was the Principal Speaker.

Prof. Morse, the Inventor, Got His Idea From a Conversation Held On Board An Atlantic Steamer in October, 1853.

Washington, May 25.—Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Postal Telegraph Cable Co., gave a dinner Tuesday evening to the heads of his organization in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the first telegraphic message sent between Baltimore and Washington and the tenth anniversary of the opening of the Postal building. The guests included all of the general and many of the assistant superintendents from all sections of the United States, including even California and Texas. The only other guests present were the officers of the company.

Mr. Mackay made an address in which he said:

"In October, 1853, when Prof. Morse was crossing on the packet ship 'Sully,' the conversation one evening turned upon the recent discoveries in electro-magnetism, and the experiments of Ampere with the electro-magnet. Some one asked if the velocity of electricity was retarded by the length of the wire. Dr. Jackson, who was present, answered that electricity passes instantaneously over any known length of wire. Prof. Morse, who had been listening intently, remarked: 'If the presence of electricity can be made visible in any part of the circuit I see no reason why intelligence may not be transmitted instantaneously by electricity.' The idea took root in Mr. Morse's brain, and going up on deck, he paced up and down until the early hours of the morning.

"If the spark," he reasoned, "will go ten miles without stopping, I can make it go around the globe." How true this unconscious prophecy proved, you will all remember, when on the 4th of July last year President Roosevelt sent a message on the completion of the Pacific cable containing 31 words, which traversed around the globe, 28,974 miles of wire, in 12 minutes, at the rate of 2,415 miles per minute. My answer to the president, of 42 words, occupied exactly nine minutes over the same distance, or 3,219 miles per minute.

"Gentlemen, let us bow to the memory and genius of Prof. Morse, whose name, in the annals of this country, has found its rightful place among those of the immortals."

THE BRAZILIAN PAVILION.

It Was Formally Opened On the Exposition Grounds.

St. Louis, May 25.—The beautiful pavilion erected by Brazil at the World's fair was formally opened Tuesday night. May 24 was chosen as the date of the opening ceremonies as it marks the anniversary of the greatest battle in South America's history, when, on May 24, 1865, Brazil and Paraguay fought at Tuyuty, in Paraguay. The pavilion has been declared by critics of high authority to be the most imposing building on the grounds.

TO TEST TORPEDOES.

The Various Types Will Be Tried By This Government.

Washington, May 25.—Extensive tests with various types of torpedoes will be begun by the navy next month at Newport and Sag Harbor. The remarkable torpedo work in the Russo-Japanese war has aroused increased interest in the navies of all nations and the competition will be keener than ever to perfect an efficient torpedo for naval use.

Leaving For the United States.

Washington, May 25.—Charge Dawson, at Rio, Brazil, reports that the station laborers who constitute half of the workers on the coffee plantation in San Paulo, are leaving Brazil for the United States because they are not paid their wages.

Senator Mason's Trip to Cuba.

Havana, May 25.—Former United States Senator Mason left for New Orleans Tuesday on the steamship Louisiana after having paid interesting visits to President Palma, Gen. Gomez and many other prominent Cubans.

Mayking, Ky., May 25.—John H. Bidle, 97, an old settler of Long Fork creek, died Monday night after being an invalid 40 years.

IN A SAD PLIGHT.

Jockey Minder's Mind Gone as a Result of a Fall.

Louisville, Ky., May 25.—Jockey Minder, who was injured by a fall on Rathskeller in the fifth race on the seventh day of the recent meeting at Churchill Downs on May 19, is at Norton infirmary perfectly well in body, but in mind a child.

His memory is completely gone, as the result of the accident, and he is a boy of 6 again, instead of a youth of 20. He will be taken to his home at Brooklyn Wednesday, and it is believed that in time his recollection of events may be restored and he may become a man again, instead of a 6-year-old, as he is at present.

Now he wants toys, and has to be given a nickel to persuade him to take his medicine.

THE GOVERNOR.

He Will Appoint a Judge to Try the Breathitt County Cases.

Cynthiana, Ky., May 25.—Circuit Clerk Robinson Tuesday issued a certificate that Judge Fryer had refused to try the Breathitt county cases. Gov. Beckham will appoint a special judge. Sheriff Ed Callahan and Judge B. F. French are here to stand trial for alleged subornation of perjury. Senator Alexander Hargis, who is also here, is on the bond of Callahan and French. The cases against "Tickey" Jim Black for alleged perjury will probably be tried at this term of court, while those of Adams and Bowling will probably be postponed.

BODY REDUCED TO A PULP.

Despondent Man Hurts Himself From the Tenth Story.

Louisville, Ky., May 25.—Despondent because of business troubles, Julian W. Courts Tuesday hurled himself from the tenth story of the Columbia building. His body was reduced to a pulp on the pavement below. Courts was employed as a claim clerk for the Louisville, Henderson & St. Louis railroad. He was the son of C. Winn Courts, a Russellville (Ky.) banker. The act was witnessed by several passersby.

Threats of Violence Made.

Owensboro, Ky., May 25.—Rev. W. W. Armour, who killed his son at Sacramento, was arraigned in examining trial at Calhoun Tuesday morning. The prisoner waived examination. More people were in Calhoun than have been in ten years. Threats of violence were so bitter that the court ordered the prisoner sent here for safe keeping.

Lost Three Children in One Week.

Central City, Ky., May 25.—Mr and Mrs. William Cassiday have lost three of their children in one week, from spinal meningitis. They had just returned from the funeral of the second one to find the third one dead on Sunday. They have three children left, one of whom is suffering from the disease.

Storm in Mt. Sterling.

Mt. Sterling, Ky., May 25.—Great damage to farm property was done in this county by a terrific wind, hail and rain storm. The residence of Robert C. Gatewood was damaged by lightning. The hail ruined a number of tobacco beds, killing calves, pigs and lambs.

Druggists Are Worried.

Newport, Ky., May 25.—The secret crusade of revenue agents against Newport druggists who have not paid government license for retailing liquor has caused the knights of the mortar and pestle much worry. At least a dozen have been found remiss.

Guardian Bailey's Fee.

Frankfort, Ky., May 25.—The case of Anna Staggenberg vs. S. C. Bailey, etc., from Newport was reversed by the court of appeals, the court holding that \$50 was a sufficient attorney fee for S. C. Bailey, who acted as guardian ad litem for an infant heir.

The Kentucky G. A. R. Encampment.

Frankfort, Ky., May 25.—The annual state encampment of the Kentucky G. A. R. will meet here Wednesday. The three candidates for state commander are T. W. Bousmith, of Bellevue; R. B. Headbon, of Covington, and Jacob Seibert, of Louisville.

Catholic Knights and Ladies.

Louisville, Ky., May 25.—The national convention of the Catholic Knights and Ladies of America was called to order in Louisville Tuesday. Over 200 delegates, representing the 10,000 members of the order, are in attendance.

New York, May 25.—The schedules filed by Sully & Co. in the United States district court Tuesday show firm liabilities of \$3,568,936 and assets of \$4,119,627. Of the indebtedness \$1,369,462 are unsecured.

A MOSQUITO FIGHT

The Mexican Government Has a Brigade of 900 Men at Work in Vera Cruz.

SIMILAR WORK AT OTHER POINTS.

Chief Entomologist Howard of the Department of Agriculture Returns From a Tour of Inspection.

Dr. Howard Also Made a Thorough Study of the Boll Weevil Situation in Mexico and the Cotton Districts of the South.

Washington, May 25.—Dr. L. O. Howard, chief entomologist of the department of agriculture, has returned from a tour of investigation of the boll weevil and yellow fever mosquito problems in Mexico. As a result of his investigation he says it is possible for yellow fever epidemics to occur at higher levels in Mexico than so far has been the case and that such epidemics will occur at the higher elevations if nothing is done to check them. The Mexican government has had a brigade of 900 men at work on the mosquito fight in Vera Cruz since last November and similar work is in progress at Tampico, Victoria, Linares, Monterey, Progreso, Merida, Cordova, Orisaba and other points on the Vera Cruz line. Extensive fumigation work is in progress.

Dr. Howard made a thorough study of the boll weevil situation in Mexico but failed to find the weevil parasite. He discovered, however, that the boll weevil has reached an elevation of 9,000 feet, which is much higher than was expected the pest would go. Owing to the climate Mexico can not adopt the remedial measures which are used in this country and on account of the great ravages of the weevil Dr. Howard expresses the belief that Mexico could never compete in cotton with the United States.

Dr. Howard also visited Louisiana and examined the precautions adopted in the effort to keep the weevil out of that state. Dr. J. H. Stubbs, director of the Louisiana state experiment stations, says he feels confident that it can be kept out for some years. The Louisiana shore of the Sabine river is the most dangerous means of spreading the pest into Louisiana from Texas. The rest of the state boundary is heavily timbered, and is patrolled by men for whose services the state is reimbursed by the federal authorities. Even the Negro laborers who cross the boundary are rigidly inspected and in two places in the state where the weevil appeared last year the crops are not being cultivated at all this season.

CHARGED WITH BIGAMY.

Mrs. Pearl Lesage and W. Marshall Arrested at Atlanta, Ga.

Atlanta, Ga., May 25.—Married, deserted, married again, thinking her first husband dead, learning afterwards that he had married his own stepmother, and then arrested on the charge of bigamy, is the fate of Mrs. Pearl Lesage, or Mrs. Marshall, of Oakland City. Equally strenuous was the day for W. Marshall, a private in Company I, Sixteenth regiment, U. S. A., stationed at Fort McPherson. Marshall is the second husband of Mrs. Lesage or Marshall, and was arrested by the marshal of Oakland City on the charge of bigamy, and when Mrs. Lesage or Marshall went to the jail to ascertain the cause of the arrest of her second husband, she was arrested on the charge of bigamy. The peculiar part of the whole affair is that Lesage, the first husband of the woman, is said to have married his own stepmother, and is now residing at Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y.

CHICAGO MACHINISTS STRIKE.

They Want An Increase in Wages and a Saturday Half Holiday.

Chicago, May 25.—Five hundred machinists struck Tuesday when the Goss Printing Co. and the Charles F. Elms Engineering Co. refused to sign the agreement prepared by the International Association of Machinists. The agreement presented asks for 32 to 37 cents per hour and Saturday half holiday in the summer months. The last offer of the employers was from 30 to 35 cents per hour for a nine-hour day with no mention of a Saturday half holiday, and asked absolute freedom to employ unskilled labor on machine work.

The Speed Will Case.

Frankfort, Ky., May 25.—The court of appeals has upheld the validity of the will of Mrs. Fanny Speed, of Louisville, who devised \$250,000 to the board of education of the Methodist church and \$250,000 to her relatives.