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Has the wheat market slumped again? Let the farmers pray to Mr. Dingley. Perhaps he is sleeping, or gone on a journey. Cry aloud.

Nudity is in danger at the Omaha exposition. A Salvationist lassie noticing there a group of cupids and other nude characters in art, armed herself with an axe and smashed one of the pieces of statuary. It would be interesting to know if she also kills her children, who undoubtedly enter this world in a nude state.

The main business of the next legislature will not be to fix the tariff but to see that the railroad, iron and pine land owners pay their share of the taxes. Candidates should be advised to make their attitude clear on that point and we don't care what they may believe about custom house details.

Stock brokers are giving a tip that Minnesota Iron is a good investment. These must be some mistake about that. The company has announced through its attorneys that it could not possibly reduce rates. To be sure, that was the Iron Range railroad company, but that makes it all the more unaccountable, for everybody knows that the railroad is more profitable than the ore company.

Wm. R. Hearst, proprietor of the New York Journal and San Francisco Examiner, has turned over to the government his splendid yacht, the "Buccaneer," fully armed, manned and equipped—all at his own cost—and promises to defray all the expenses, for men, provisions, ammunition, coaling, etc., during the conduct of the war. He did more: he offered his own services, in any capacity whatever to which he might be assigned by the navy department. All this is a display of patriotism to be admired, and is in happy contrast to the rest of our millionaires.

There is an editorial in Puck saying that war is only worth while when it is fought for peace—peace with liberty to trade freely and keep the proceeds without interference. That is perfectly right. But it is something miserable when it is translated into Puck's meaning of liberty. That is the liberty which concerns itself with the rights of property and forget the rights of man. It is the spirit of commercialism. The best thing about this war is where the spirit of commercialism is laid aside and people remember only that there are questions of far more importance than the traffic on commodities.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

The house has sent the war revenue bill to conference.
The senate defeated the corporation tax amendment to the war revenue bill.
The house has passed a bill to remove all political disabilities on account of the Civil War.

President McKinley urges the annexation of Hawaii and thinks congress will authorize it.
An agreement has been reached to take up the Hawaiian annexation resolution in the house.

The senate has passed the war revenue bill with a pure flour amendment, similar to the present oleo law.

The committee on public lands in the senate has reported favorably a bill extending the time to two years for final proof in desert land entries.

Eighty-two clerks will be added to the navy and war departments, under a recent act of congress, and will be selected under civil service rules.

The Republican members of the ways and means committee prefer Tawney's pure flour bill to the Mason amendment to the war revenue measure, and will push it.

The senate voted to restore the bond provision of the war revenue bill, expunging the greenback feature, and to coin some of the seigniorage in the treasury.

THE DEATH RECORD.

Paul Grottkau, the noted socialist agitator, is dead at Milwaukee. His home is in San Francisco.

Thomas W. Keene, the tragedian, is dead. He was 58 years old. Appendicitis, for which he underwent an operation, was the cause of his death.

Mr. Samuel Plimms, known as the "sailor's friend" and originator of the famous "Plimms mark," to prevent the overloading of ships, is dead at London.

Charles Baird, a well known writer on sporting subjects and an authority on cycling, died at Chicago from injuries received in a bicycle accident two weeks ago.

Adolph Weiss, secretary of the Northwestern Sangerbund and highly popular and esteemed in German society and singing circles, died of appendicitis at Davenport, Ia., aged 42 years.

Captain Charles V. Gridley, commander of Admiral Dewey's flagship at Manila, who was invalided home owing to injuries received in the engagement, died on board the Coptic en route home.

FINANCE AND TRADE.

United States exports show an amazing increase.

North Dakota wheat conditions are reported as unsurpassed.

Bank clearings for May exceeded those of the same month in previous years with one exception.

The estate of Cyrus H. McCormick, the reaper manufacturer, has purchased from the Peck heirs the Chicago Stock Exchange building for \$2,500,000.

The Iowa iron works of Dubuque has secured a contract to build five boats for the government. These vessels are wanted for service in river and harbor improvement work and will cost \$300,000.

POLITICAL NEWS.

T. J. Caton was nominated for congress by the Minneapolis Populists.

Mr. Harrity has been "fired" as Pennsylvania member of the Democratic national committee.

Page Morris of Duluth was unanimously renominated for congress by the Republicans of the Sixth district.

Democrats of the Fifteenth Missouri district have nominated W. E. Benton to succeed himself as representative in congress.

John Wanamaker withdrew from the Pennsylvania gubernatorial race in favor of Congressman Charles W. Stone; but the convention nominated William A. Stone, Quay's man. Wanamaker may run as an independent candidate.

KLONDIKE NEWS.

The steamer Albion, from Copper River, reports that there has been a second heavy slide on the Valdez glacier. A number of pack animals were buried in the snow, but no human lives were lost.

The San Francisco Examiner says \$31,000,000 in gold will be brought down from Alaska during the next two months, most of it being the property of the Alaska Transportation company, which has bought the dust from the miners.

NEWS OF NOTED PERSONS.

Prince Henry of Prussia is reported to have apologized to Admiral Dewey for a slight to the United States.

Vice President Capote of the Cuban republic has arrived at Philadelphia. He was one of the passengers of the wrecked steamer Belvidere, picked up by the Kong Frode.

The engagement of Miss Clara Satro, youngest daughter of former Mayor Adolph Satro of San Francisco, to William J. English, a prominent lawyer of Chicago, is announced.

FOREIGN NEWS.

Sium Fu is to be made the Chinese capital in place of Peking.

Rumor has it that President Hereaux of San Domingo has been assassinated. It is rumored that the insurgents in Santo Domingo, have captured the town of Santiago de los Caballeros, on the Yaque river, 103 miles east of Cape Haytien.

NEWS OF A LEGAL NATURE.

In the second trial of Mrs. George W. Atkinson, wife of Governor Atkinson of West Virginia, on the charge of forgery she was released on a technicality.

UNFORTUNATE EVENTS.

The tug Record was sunk at Duluth in collision and three of her crew drowned.

Thirty-five gold seekers were drowned by the sinking of the schooner Lady Jane Gray off Cape Flattery.

Fire at Escanaba, Mich., gutted the Fair, the largest department store in the upper peninsula. The loss is \$55,000.

A conflagration at Peshawir, which was not mastered for 24 hours, destroyed 4,000 houses, doing damage to the amount of about 80,000,000 rupees (about \$20,000,000). This is supposed to be the record fire of India.

Fire at Waterloo, Ia., destroyed the sash, door and blind factory of the Beck, Neumann and Watts company and the factory and foundry of the Waterloo Omnibus and Wagonette company. Loss about \$50,000, insurance about \$10,000.

SPORTING NEWS.

The triangular field games at Chicago were won by the University of Michigan.

George Dixon was given the decision over Teddie Santry in a 20-round fight before the Lenox club, New York city.

Wisconsin won in the annual games of the Intercollegiate Amateur association, Northwestern association second and Minnesota third.

At Wheeling, W. Va., Oscar Gardner added another to his long string of victories by putting out Jerry Marshall of Australia in 13 rounds.

Jack Everhardt of New Orleans and Owen Zoigler of Philadelphia boxed 20 rounds at catch weights at the Greater New York Athletic club, Coney Island, and the result was a draw.

RAILROAD NEWS.

It is generally understood that negotiations are pretty far advanced for the purchase by the Great Western of the Mason City and Fort Dodge and the Red Wing branch of the Minneapolis and St. Louis railroad.

Stockholders of the Chicago and Great Western have voted to increase the 4 per cent debenture stock from \$15,000,000 to \$30,000,000. The increase is to be used in the purchase of new lines that may be secured at advantageous terms.

CRIMINAL NEWS.

William Street, a negro who attempted the ruin and murder of Mrs. Parish, was burned at the stake at Dothan, La.

At the United States penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, "muffin" broke out among the convicts, 15 of them escaping. After a lively chase, James Musgrove, a territory outlaw, was shot down. The others escaped. Musgrove led the outbreak.

LABOR NEWS.

The tanners' strike at Kenosha, Wis., is ended. An increase in wages was granted the men, but the union will not be recognized.

A thousand employees of the Singer sewing machine works of South Bend, Ind., have struck for a return to the wages paid in 1892.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS ITEMS.

The Omaha exposition was opened June 1. President McKinley started the machinery and sent a congratulatory message.

Methodist ministers are discussing the advisability of exchanging Red Rock for camp meeting ground between St. Paul and Minneapolis.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

The senate has passed the bill providing for the taking of the twelfth census.

The cabinet has approved Secretary Gage's plan for the distribution of the new bonds.

The sundry civil appropriation bill provides for the adjustment of controversies between the Northern Pacific and settlers.

The war revenue bill has been signed by the president and Secretary Gage has invited popular subscriptions for the \$200,000,000 bonds.

Hawaiian annexation prospects have brightened. The house agreed to vote on the resolution and the measure will be pushed in the senate.

Lobbyists, it is charged, got 35 per cent of the amount voted the Methodist Book Concern South by congress on a war claim. An investigation will probably follow.

Both senate and house have adopted the conference report on the war revenue measure. As passed it provides for the coinage of \$1,500,000 a month of the seigniorage and for the issue of \$400,000,000 of bonds.

For the first time in its history this government is about to establish a postal station in a foreign country. Santiago is to be made a substation of the New York postoffice, and Manila a substation of the San Francisco office.

British Consular Secretary Bett is said to have been banished from Porto Rico by the Spanish governor, after being confined over three days in a dungeon and grossly maltreated. The charge is that he was suspected of having given the United States information on the mining of San Juan harbor.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Interesting Items About the War With Spain.

Manila is said to have surrendered. San Juan is being reduced by starvation.

Business men in Spain think the war will end in a month.

The dread rainy season has set in in Cuba and the Gulf region.

The Cadiz fleet is reported to have been found totally unseaworthy.

The government has secured all the Pacific transports that are needed.

Thirteen thousand troops will sail for Manila on the next two expeditions.

The second Manila expedition has gone on board ships at San Francisco.

A battery of six mountain howitzers is to be taken with the Philippine expedition.

A British steamer loaded with coal for the Spaniards was captured by the St. Louis.

The United States, it is rumored, will seize the Ladrone islands in the Pacific and keep one for a coaling station.

Admiral Sampson learns that every vessel of Cervera's fleet is in Santiago harbor except the Terror, reported sunk.

English capitalists with investments in the Philippines unanimously desire that the United States keep the islands.

Spaniards officially admit that the Reina Mercedes was sunk at Santiago, and that 34 men on board were killed.

The Astor battery has started for California where it is to join General Merritt's expedition to the Philippines.

General Merritt, who will leave for Manila in two weeks, insists that he has 20,000 troops—4,000 more than he has now.

Five tons of food, 400 rifles and 60,000 rounds of ammunition were landed for the Cubans at Aserrado by the gunboat Vixen.

Admiral Dewey's official report of his victory at Manila has been made public. He gives his officers and crew great praise.

Seventeen thousand regulars and picked men constitute the army said to have sailed from Key West for Santiago de Cuba.

Italian army officers express the belief that America should not invade Cuba until its army is well seasoned and disciplined.

A story is told of an important compact between the United States and the Philippine insurgents, made before war was declared.

The Berlin Kreuz Zeitung says confidential interchange of opinion in regard to mediation is taking place between the powers.

Madrid has been officially advised that eleven ships, believed to be transports with American troops, have arrived before Santiago.

President McKinley has ordered that the war be pressed more vigorously and that the campaign against Santiago and Porto Rico be expedited.

The occupation of Cuba has begun, marines landing at Guantanamo Friday and raising the Stars and Stripes, after putting 3,000 Spaniards to flight.

General Fitz Simons of Chicago has resigned as a brigadier general in the volunteer army, and General Barkley of Springfield is likely to succeed him.

Senor Romero Giron, the Spanish minister of colonies, in the course of a recent interview expressed the opinion that nothing short of a miracle can save Manila.

A Key West dispatch says that trustworthy information, smuggled out of Havana, shows that the city now has a garrison of 46,000 regulars and half as many volunteers.

The correspondent of the London Daily Mail at Nagasaki, Japan, says he has trustworthy information that Germany is determined to prevent a bombardment of Manila.

British Consul Ramsden at Santiago de Cuba cabled to Halifax that he visited Lieutenant Hobson and his colleagues and that he found them well cared for by the authorities.

General Coppinger will probably command the next military expedition, which will go to Puerto Rico. After this, it is expected, General Lee will lead an expedition against Havana.

General Greeley, chief signal officer, has issued an order prohibiting publication of news regarding American forces. The prohibition affects both movements of naval and military forces.

According to a dispatch from Madrid to the London Financial News three Spanish ironclads from Madagascar waters have arrived in sight of Manila and Admiral Dewey's ships have gone to meet them.

While to secure peace, Spain may be willing to abandon Cuba and Porto Rico, desperate resistance will be made to yielding the Philippines. It is said at Madrid that Spain can continue the war for two years yet.

A torpedo in the St. Johns river, 18 miles below Jacksonville, exploded, killing two men and badly wounding Lieutenant Hart of the engineers corps, in charge of the work of fortifying the river at that point.

Official announcement is made of the sailing from Key West of over 15,000 American soldiers, mostly regulars, for the Cuban invasion. They will be landed at Santiago by Thursday, and a battle may soon be expected.

A prize crew off the Minneapolis has brought the Spanish barque Maria Dolores to Charleston. She was captured 12 miles from San Juan, under the fire of the Spanish gulls. The Dolores had a cargo of coal for the Spaniards.

Admiral Sampson asks promotion for Lieutenant Hobson and similar reward for his followers in the daring Merrimac exploit at Santiago, the request being made in his official report to Washington telling of their valor.

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