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## PORTO RICANS

### Greatly Disappointed at not Being granted American Citizenship.

### The Decision of the Supreme Court is Evidently Unsatisfactory to Them.

By Associated Press.

San Juan, P. R., May 28.—The first report of the Supreme Court's decision in the DeLima case was received here last night. It was interpreted as declaring the taxation of imports from Porto Rico to the United States at fifteen per cent of the Dingley duties to be unconstitutional and was received here with satisfaction. Today, when a full report of the DeLima case was published, there was evidenced a general feeling of disappointment among Porto Rico merchants, who hoped the court's decision would give them years of free trade. The consensus of opinion on the matter seems to be that the Porto Rico legislature should be convened in extra session and declare Porto Rico self supporting without the collection of customs on imports between Porto Rico and the United States.

The general spirit of complaint that all of the Supreme Court's decisions

are against Porto Rico is noticeable. The merchants generally expected that the decision would grant Porto Rico free trade and her citizens full citizenship and legislative privileges. When told if the latter privilege was granted the internal revenue laws of the United States would be applied to the islands and that all funds and customs thereunder collected put in the federal treasury, all Porto Ricans questioned in the matter acknowledged this to be bad and their present status preferable, as they did not believe the island would stand the collection of the United States internal revenue and that such a collection, if attempted, would necessitate even a heavier property tax for the maintenance of Porto Rico.

Porto Rican bankers predict an immediate revival of business, now that the status of the country has been decided. People generally are much disappointed at not being granted American citizenship.

## LARGE FLOW

### Of Oil was Struck on Middle Bass Island, Lake Erie.

By Associated Press.

Sandusky, O., May 28.—An oil well that throws a six inch stream of petroleum 100 feet in the air was struck on Middle Bass Island, in Lake Erie, a few miles from here. There is much excitement at Middle Bass.

#### SOME FAIR PRODUCERS.

Special to the Leader.

Calcutta, W. Va., May 28.—Mallory Bros. completed their No. 10 R. J. and D. King and got a 10 barrels well in the Cow Run.

L. C. Wilson & Co.'s No. 1 Sam Boyle is completed and showing for eight barrels in the Cow Run sand.

K. Edwards and Tudor & Co. are drilling their No. 14 W. E. Bachman farm.

The Hazelwood Oil Co. is drilling its No. 5 Stanton farm.

#### FIVE BARREL WELL.

Special to the Leader.

Marietta, O., May 28.—R. G. Gillespie's No. 3 Cone heirs is in and after a shot will make five barrels.

#### WILL GO DEEPER.

Special to the Leader.

Lowell, O., May 28.—Brown & Mead drilled in their No. 1 Decker. It is dry in the 500 foot sand and they will drill to the 800 foot sand.

#### CAVE RUN FIELD.

Special to the Leader.

Cave Run, W. Va., May 28.—Smith & Swallow's No. 7 J. C. Michael is through the Cow Run sand and is dry.

The Carter Oil Co.'s No. 1 Jones has its rig up.

Ellsworth Davis & Co.'s No. 7 Jno. Wagner has its rig up.

#### CAIRO FIELD.

Special to the Leader.

Carlo, W. Va., May 28.—Dorr, Moore & Wilson's No. 10 O. Reinhart is showing for 25 barrels in the salt.

Dorr, Moore & Wilson have a rig up for their No. 11 O. Reinhart.

The Dual State Oil and Gas Co. has started drilling their No. 1 Snodgrass.

#### WILL DRILL IN SOON.

Special to the Leader.

McFarlan, W. Va., May 28.—In Sheridan district, Calhoun county, the following wells are due to get the sand by Saturday: J. W. Guffey & Co., No. 2 Samuel Ayers, the Lowther Oil Co.'s No. 1 Kaswell Taylor.

### Boxers Reported to be Active.

By Associated Press.

London, May 28.—Boxers are again active in all districts where there is no foreign troops, says a dispatch from Tien Tsin, dated May 27.

Yesterday a missionary going to Tu Lu on the Grand Canal was forced to return to Tien Tsin on account of the fierce fight raging between Boxers and Catholic converts. There was heavy firing on both sides. A French reconnoitering party came upon a walled town fifteen kilometers northeast of Tieg Chau. Refusing to open the gates, the French artillery opened fire on the wall and the town taken. One French infantryman wounded. Gen. Bailoud is scouring the country with French troops supporting Chinese regulars.

### Ohio Maccabees.

By Associated Press.

Akron, O., May 28.—The Great Camp of Ohio Maccabees today elected Prof. Henry M. Parker, of Elyria, Great Commander; H. L. Minnon, of Vermilion, Lieutenant Commander; Ed L. Young, of Norwalk, Great Record Keeper; A. C. Babcock, of Lorain, Great Finance Keeper; R. D. Kahle, Great Medical Examiner; Rev. A. G. Lohmann, of Cleveland, Great Chaplain; Horace Andrews, of Norwalk, Great Counselor.

### Murdered His Wife and Suicided.

By Associated Press.

Pawtucket, May 28.—Adam Martineau, of Lincoln, R. I., murdered his wife today by shooting her. A farm hand who interfered was shot in the arm. Martineau then killed himself. He was 35 years of age.

### Mandamus Suit Dismissed.

By Associated Press.

Cleveland, O., May 28.—Judge Strimple today dismissed the mandamus suit brought against the Board of County Auditors by Mayor Johnson to compel them to make higher appraisements on railroads in Ohio for taxation.

### Will Resume Work.

By Associated Press.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., May 28.—Striking machinists of the Wabash railroad here and at Springfield, Ill., reached an agreement to resume work Friday next.

### Young Girl Suicides in a Church.

By Associated Press.

Kokomo, Ind., May 28.—Miss Aggie Long, fourteen, a daughter of John Long, committed suicide in the Methodist church at Sycamore, this county, by shooting. Miss Long was a member of the church choir and this afternoon went to the church alone for organ practice. She took a big revolver with her and later was found dead on the floor of the pulpit with a bullet through her heart. On the organ was a letter naming her pall bearers, telling how she should be clothed for the funeral and also selecting a choir, organist and minister to officiate at the obsequies. No cause is known.

### Steward Arrested.

By Associated Press.

Berlin, May 29.—Theo. Magers, bedroom steward on the North German Lloyd's Steamer, Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, who in April last at Bremen found three gold bars in the second class saloon, which had been missed from the specie room, on arrival of the steamer at Cherbourg, has been arrested at Bremerhaven, charged with being the man who obstructed the gold from the specie room.

### Knights of Pythias.

By Associated Press.

Springfield, O., May 28.—The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias opened here today. The grand parade was in a drenching rain. New cottages were dedicated at the state home and the preliminary convention work was disposed of. Zanesville, Cincinnati and Columbus are working for the next meeting.

### Railroad Consolidation.

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., May 28.—It is announced that the consolidation, on July 1, of the Kansas City, Ft. Scott and Memphis and Frisco Railways will mark the complete effacement of the former road. The new property will be called the St. Louis and San Francisco.

### Charged with Embezzlement.

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, May 29.—Utey Wedge, Receiver of the Siegel-Sanders Live Stock Commission Company, made affidavit charging Frank Siegel, late president of the Company, with embezzling \$145,486 of the Company's money. He swore out a warrant for his arrest.

## PERSONALITIES

### Introduced in the Assembly for the First Time Tuesday.

### In Dissolving the Body Last Evening Moderator Minton Made an Eloquent Address.

By Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Pa., May 28.—The Presbyterian General Assembly was dissolved at 6:10 o'clock tonight by Moderator Minton. The chief among the important questions discussed during the session was the question regarding a revision of the Confession of Faith. After a discussion continuing nearly four days the momentous subject was referred to a special committee of 21, who will make recommendations as to the manner in which the Creed should be revised and present them to the general assembly which meets in New York.

Today for the first time since the assembly convened the equanimity of the commissioners was disturbed by the introduction of personalities. Trouble occurred during the discussion of the chairmanship of the Revision committee.

Rev. J. D. Moffatt suggested a change in the minutes of yesterday's session so the records would show that a new committee had been appointed to revise the creed regardless of the old committee of which Rev. Dr. Chas. A. Dickey, of this city, was chairman. His suggestion was adopted and Rev. Dr. Moffatt, of Cumberland, Md., moved that Moderator Minton be elected chairman of the committee. This in-

censed the friends of Dr. Dickey and although Dr. Mott's motion prevailed, the subject was reviewed later in the session by other commissioners. The matter was finally adjusted by Dr. Dickey, who advised the assembly against reconsidering the motion, saying he was confident that there was no attempt to cast any reflection upon him but that the commissioners merely desired to honor his successor as Moderator.

There are still six members of the Revision committee to be appointed, but Moderator Minton said today that he had not yet made any selection.

The closing hours of the assembly were devoted to routine matters. The report of the committee on temperance urged ministers to call attention of Congressmen in their district of the necessity for the presentation of legislation now pending regarding drink traffic in the islands of the Pacific. The report also urges the government to take effective action towards suppression of the liquor traffic in all our new possessions. The committee on the Peoria plan of selecting standing committees approved the system.

In dissolving the assembly Moderator Minton made an eloquent address before the final benediction was pronounced and the commissioners sang "Blest be the Tie That Binds."

## THROUGH OHIO

### The Presidential Train Passes To-day, for Washington.

### Mrs. McKinley's Condition Continues to Show Steady but Not Rapid Improvement.

By Associated Press.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., May 28.—On the run through Iowa toward the east today, to avoid crowds at the stations, engines and train crews of the President's train changed a few miles from the end of each division. Few stops were made, but the train slowed up at the principal towns and cities and the President appeared on the platform.

This is Secretary Wilson's home state and he shared the honors with President McKinley.

Mrs. McKinley's condition has continued to show steady, but not rapid improvement since she left San Fran-

cisco. She has gained some strength and the President is much encouraged. She has not left her couch, however. Dr. Rixey does not desire to have her tax her strength, but he permits her to sit up in bed most of the day. The President is at her bedside much of the time.

The train is due to reach Chicago at about 3 o'clock tomorrow morning. It will not be run into the station, but will be switched to the tracks of the Pennsylvania on the outskirts of the city and proceed directly to Washington. At Canton, tomorrow, a stop of 30 minutes will be made to permit some relatives to come aboard.

## CUBANS ACCEPTED

### The Platt Amendment by a Vote of Fifteen to Fourteen.

By Associated Press.

Havana, May 28.—The Platt amendment was accepted by the Cuban Constitutional Convention by a vote of 15 to 14.

The radicals made a hard fight at the last moment. Portuondo, Gomez and Tamayo bitterly arraigned the conservatives. Senor Tamayo declared that everybody who voted in favor

of the Platt amendment was a traitor to his country. The convention compelled him to retract the statement. On several occasions personal encounters seemed imminent.

The convention will continue the session which will be devoted to drawing up election laws. "La Discusion," in an extra this evening, exclaims: "Now will come immediate independence."

### SEVENTEEN CASES

#### Of Small Pox on Barnett Ridge, A New Case Tuesday.

Out along Barnett ridge an armed guard stalks along with a shot gun over his shoulder. When any of the colored people who live along that ridge attempt to break through the lines of quarantine, they are driven back before the yawning mouth of a shot gun.

The reason for such action is that almost every family on that elevation of the country has a healthy case of smallpox, which is so well developed that there can be no doubt of its nature.

There are at present 17 cases of the eruptive pest in that vicinity and all these patients are found in the homes of five families. One new case developed Tuesday and the doctors in that vicinity are kept busy attending the sick and vaccinating the well.

Communication, except through certain mediums, with the community is strictly forbidden. The disease seems to be entirely confined within that district.

### A DARING ACT

#### Eight Razors Stolen from Henry Gatrell's Barber Shop Tuesday Noon.

For the second time in as many years the barber shop of Henry Gatrell has been robbed of the instruments of his trade. At noon Tuesday Mr. Gatrell, who lives above his shop in a new building put up on Wayne street this spring, went up stairs to eat his dinner. He did not take the precaution of locking his shop, as he did not suppose that anyone would have the boldness to enter upon a dishonest purpose while he was in the building. Returning to the room in a short time he discovered that his case, containing eight good razors, had been stolen during his absence.

The matter was reported to the police, but as there is no clue it is not thought that the thieves will be discovered.

### EX-COUNCILMAN STORK

#### Is Presented with a Fine Cane by the Members of Council.

The City Council did not hold its meeting last evening as there were but six members present when the time for opening arrived. Those present were: Messrs. Curtis, Savage, Kerns, Toller, Cutter and Lorenz.

Mr. George Stork, who so faithfully performed the duties of Councilman during the last term, was invited to be present. He was called forward by President Curtis and given a seat of honor in the Council chamber. The City Solicitor in a few well chosen words stated that in recognition of Mr. Stork's past services in the Council and furthermore to show their appreciation of his feeling of kindness for them in banqueting them recently, the members of the City Council wished to present to him a cane as a memento of friendship and as a token of esteem.

The cane was a beautiful gold headed one. Mr. Stork responded in a manner suited to the occasion and invited the members of the Council over to his home to partake of the refreshments of the season.

### Officer in Trouble.

By Associated Press. Colorado Springs, May 29.—Moses T. Hale, for nine years Treasurer of Colorado Springs, has been held on a bond of \$10,000 to answer to the charge of misappropriating \$30,000 of the city funds.

Charles E. Smith, a former city official, was held as an accessory.

### Booker T. Washington's Appeal.

By Associated Press. Montgomery, Ala., May 28.—Booker T. Washington, in behalf of his race, presented the constitutional convention an appeal for conservative action.

### United Switchmen.

By Associated Press. Milwaukee, May 28.—The United Switchmen of North America tonight elected Grand Master, F. T. Hawley, of Buffalo.