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Causing Serious Trouble.

CIVILIANS KEEP INDOORS.

Public Meetings Closed—Many Civil-
ians Badly Treated—Police
Officers are Defied.

New York, Dec. 18.—A dispatch to the Herald from Kingston, Jamaica, says: Serious riots growing out of race feeling took place in the streets of this city last night. The chief rioters were several hundred negro soldiers of the British West India regiment, who were supported by natives of their own color. They attacked civilians in the street and maltreated many so badly that they were taken to the hospital and are under treatment for severe injuries.

Lieut. Col. Allen, who is in command of the regiment, endeavored to control his men, but was unable to do so by persuasion. He then organized the police and swore in civilians to aid in keeping the peace.

The soldiers and petty officers have refused to surrender to the police, and defy their officers. Most of them are in the military camp, and the streets are guarded by the force of police and volunteers under Lieut. Col. Allen. Severe measures will be taken against the mutinous blacks.

There is great unrest in the city and vicinity and race feeling is at a high pitch. It is feared that something will precipitate riots like the former fatal outbreaks.

Meetings in the vicinity of the military barracks have been abandoned under orders from the authorities, and all civilians have been warned to remain indoors until the trouble is over.

TROUBLE FOR CUBA.

It is Deferred for a Time by the Ac-
tion of the United States.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The state department has rendered an opinion to the effect that the United States government cannot intervene in favor of Porto Rico in the matter of her claim against Cuba for \$2,500,000. The Spanish government raised a loan to this amount from the Porto Ricans to help prosecute military operations in Cuba, basing the loan upon the revenues of the latter island. In substance the decision of the United States government is to the effect that leaving aside the question of equity in this case, to sanction the collection of this claim against Cuba would now be to open the door to numberless other and larger claims, which would exhaust the financial resources of the island.

It is known to the authorities that most of the claims were sought to be included in the treaty of peace at Paris, but resolutely excluded by the United States commissioners, are not regarded by the claimants as dead by any means, but are simply held in abeyance to be presented and enforced by the full powers of foreign governments, if they can be evoked by the claimants, as soon as the United States control of the island ceases.

FREE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

Those Sent to Cuba and the Philip-
pines Not Charged Duty.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The war department has issued an order providing for the admission into Cuba and the Philippines of presents for the officers and enlisted men of the army and navy, and for other employees of the govern- ment now serving in these islands.

The provision as to the free admis- sion of such Christmas presents will terminate as to Cuba on February 15, and as to the Philippines on March 15 next.

SICK SOLDIERS COMING.

Over a Thousand Shipped Home
from the Philippines.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 18.—Within a few days more than 1,000 sick soldiers will be on their way home from the Philippines. The Grant and Sherman are now en route with 650 men and the Sheridan is scheduled to leave on the 22nd with 500 more.

This rush will tax the general hospital at the Presidio to its utmost capacity. The convalescents will be mustered out as soon as possible after their arrival, and if the 867 available beds at the hospital become overcrowded, a tented annex will be built to accommo- date the overflow.

LYNCHED A NEGRO.

Third Victim of a Mob in Indiana—
Militia Too Late.

Booneville, Ind., Dec. 17.—John Rol- la, the third of a mob of 600 men in- volved in the murder of Hollie Simons, was hanged to a tree in the court yard by a mob of about 100 men from Rock- port at 9:30 o'clock this evening. Not a shot was fired and everything was conducted as quietly as if the execu- tion had been under the sanction of the law.

Citizens of Booneville made no ef- fort to assist in the protection of the negro and a number quietly admitted that citizens generally were in sym- pathy with the work of the mob. Judge Swan, of the Warren county, who had court, sought to prevent violence, but the members of the mob ignored him and proceeded with the work.

Members of the mob came to Boone- ville in wagons, buggies and on horse- back. Their rigs were left in a grove a half mile out of the town and the men marched in columns of twos, un- der the command of three who had evi- dently been selected as leaders.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 17.—Governor Mount was advised tonight by the sher- iff of Spencer county that a mob of 600 had started from Rockport to Boone- ville, with the intention of lynching Joe Rolla and another negro arrested in connection with the murder of Hollie Simons Saturday night. The sheriff also notified the governor that the local authorities would be powerless to resist the mob, and requested that a military company be sent to Booneville to dis- arm the mob, and after some delay the company was sent to Booneville on a special train.

After being informed of the lynching of the negro at Booneville, Governor Mount wired Captain Blum, counter- manding the order for the militia to proceed to Booneville.

Money for Utah Indians.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The Indian ap- propriation bill was completed today by the House committee on Indian af- fairs. It carries something like \$100,000, the exact aggregate not yet being

determined. The number of Indian agencies is reduced from fifty-two to forty-four, those omitted being the Lemhi, Idaho; Neah Bay, Washington; Nevada, Nevada; Quapaw, Indian Ter- ritory; Sac and Fox, Iowa; Siletz, Ore- gon; Sisseton, South Dakota; Tulalip, Washington.

The estimates for various tribes are closely followed, but \$5,000 additional is given to the Kibbebs and Shebets of Utah.

Two sections are added to the bill providing for telephone and telegraph lines and highways across Indian lands and reservations, and another to allow the Siletz Indians of Oregon to sell or lease a portion of their reservation, which they have been unable to pass the bill before the holiday recess.

Father Murders His Child.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 17.—James Hoff- ner, a Russian, was arrested for killing his six-months-old baby yesterday. Hoffner went to his home in a state of intoxication and attacked his wife while she was holding the baby in her arms. He fell over on the child two or three times and killed it.

"Jack" Davis to Hang.
Washington, Dec. 17.—A peculiar question arose in the United States Supreme Court today, in a case from Idaho on application for habeas corpus by "Jack" Davis, under sentence of execution. The point was made that he was convicted and sentenced to be hanged by the sheriff. Subsequently the warden of the State penitentiary, it was contended that the old law was repealed and the new law inapplicable, being ex post facto. Justice Brown re- marked that he would make little dif- ference to the accused who executed him, and the decision of the State court was affirmed, giving the sheriff the custody of the prisoner.

Only 35 Lives Lost.

Madrid, Dec. 18.—An official dispatch from the prefect of Malaga shows the loss of life by the foundering Sunday of the German training frigate Gneisen- au in Malaga harbor to be less than has been reported. According to this dispatch thirty-five fatalities resulted from the accident, and 100 persons were injured.

KILLED TWO ROBBERS.

Story of a Mine Owner Regarding
the Death of Two Mexicans.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—A special to the record from Parral, Mex., says: G. E. Keeney was going out to his mine, 20 miles from Parral, Friday, to pay off his employees. He had about \$100 in Mexican currency, which he tied firmly to the bottom of his wagon, put his pistol in his coat sleeve and started out.

When he had gone about half way two Mexicans suddenly halted him and ordered him to get out of the wagon. He obeyed and the bandits searched his person with no effect. Knowing he must have some money they proceeded to search his baggage and other effects. While they were at this task Keeney drew his revolver from his coat sleeve and fired. His attack was so sudden the men did not have time to act, and both were instantly killed.

Bringing Out the Columbia.

New York, Dec. 18.—Ex-Commodore E. D. Mott has been given charge of the Columbia in her races with the new defender, will have the old champion float early in April. He said recently that the work of overhauling and preparing her would be done at city and abroad, where she now lies hauled out. Her crew will be put aboard about April 1, and under the direction of Captain Barr she will rapidly assume her aristocratic appearance.

Whipped the British.

Capetown, Dec. 18.—The Boers who captured the Orange river into Cape Colony, west of Alwal North on Sat- urday, encountered the Cape Rifles, and Brabant's horse, who retired with loss.

Payne for the Cabinet.

New York, Dec. 18.—A Washington special to the Press says: This week all, or nearly all, of the members of the executive committee, the managers of the campaign in the two headquarters, the New York, will be in Washington.

One request above all others, the Re- publican committee will press upon the President. That is for the appoint- ment of Vice President Payne to a place in the cabinet.

Stop the Rubber War.

New York, Dec. 18.—The Tribune prints the following: The report cur- rent in Wall street that negotiations were in progress for a settlement of the threatened rubber shoe war have been confirmed. A new company has been formed, with \$10,000,000 capital, for the purpose of controlling the crude rub- ber market in the interest, primarily, of the U. S. Rubber company. Of this capital the Standard Oil company has subscribed \$2,000,000. August Belmont & Co., and other bankers, \$1,000,000; Charles R. Flint, \$1,500,000; The U. S. Rubber company, \$1,500,000; the Rubber Goods Mfg. company, \$1,000,000; other financial interests, including crude rub- ber importers who will enter the new company, \$2,000,000.

Negotiations have been opened with outside interests for the incorporat- ion of their plants into the new com- pany. The plan involves consolidations of independent rubber shoe manu- facturers into a company formed after the manner of the National Sugar Refining company. The directors of the U. S. Rubber company have decided to cut prices 25 per cent on January 1, if present negotiations with the outsiders fail of consummation. A prospective cut of 25 per cent and a probable "cor- rect" in crude rubber, however, are ex- pected to carry great weight with the outside interests.

It was further learned that the out- side rubber shoe manufacturers, in or- der to get business in competition, will make concessions of from five to ten per cent below regular prices.

London Sun Is Not Original.

New York, Dec. 18.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: Joseph Parker's reproduction of Sheldon's cartoon as a daily journal- ist is not remarkable for originality. To- day's Sun has all the news of the day, criminal and otherwise, and more ad- vertising than usual. The chief inno- vation is the substitution of a series of "City Temple sermonettes" for the ordi- nary column of editorial paragraphs.

These begin with the frank confession that no editor has charter from heaven to regard himself as a Moses or Paul of the daily press, and end with the practical moral that hogging is the true cure for "Hooliganism," and that the magistrates should use the cut in whip- ping the offending Adam out of street brawlers. The most striking feature of this fresh example of daily journalism conducted on religious principles is a series of Bible texts printed under the heading "Latest news," usually over the betting forecasts, beginning with "The wages of sin is death," and rounded out, singularly enough, with brief records of a breach of promise case and a police raid upon a gaming house.

In parallel column appear the market quotat- ions showing that "American" re- lations are a form of robbery and that it "eateth like a cancer."

McKinley Coming West.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—President McKinley will leave for San Francisco, the builders of the new bat- tleship Ohio, saw the President today and received his assurance that if no- thing occurred to prevent, he would go to San Francisco some time next May to witness the launching of the big vessel. The exact date has not yet been decided upon.

EXECUTED TWO INNOCENT MEN.

The Third Was Imprisoned for Life
in Belgium.

REAL MURDERER EXPOSED.

The Convicted Men Were Not the
Guilty Parties—Angry Woman
Tells on Her Husband.

New York, Dec. 18.—A dispatch from London to the Herald says:

An extraordinary story of a woman's terrible case at last revealed is wired from Ostend, by a Daily Mail correspond- ent there.

Three Belgian workmen were tried about seven years ago and found guilty of having committed a series of crimes, among them the murder of an aged woman at Hautmonde. Although they declared their innocence until the last moment, one of them was sentenced to imprisonment for life and the others were hanged. Now a woman named Soumagne has just denounced her husband who, she says, committed the crimes. She is said to be quite sane, and the authorities are investigating the charges. When De Groot, one of the men executed, was being hanged, he said: "You cannot tell all of me. You will not have my immortal soul. You will be punished for all the wrong you have done me."

WARNING AMERICANS.

English Papers Talk of Less Good
Feeling With This Country.

New York, Dec. 18.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says:

If the English people were bent upon taking a serious view of the Nicaragua canal question, as apparently they are, they would not be confused by the contradictory views of the New York correspondents who have developed in the North and South Poles, and are utterly irreconcilable. The Westminster Gazette takes the Standard correspond- ent as a guide and seeks to interpret the action of the Senate for the benefit of the English readers. It has reached the conclusion with the most benevolent possible motives towards America that the treaty cannot be abolished by being described as being inconvenient or out of date, and that the only practicable method of settling the vexatious canal question is that of arranging some kind of compensation for the abrogation of the convention of 1850. The Alaskan boundary question is named as a quid pro quo and the foreign office was urged to take up this method of adjusting the outstanding issues with the United States. This suggestion is made by the friendliest of English journals. This was considered a great gain by the American govern- ment before Premier Laurier stepped aside and allowed the question to be adjusted between Washington and London without interference from Ot- tawa. The best thing that the friends of the canal have to offer is an omnibus settlement in which the abrogation of the treaty of 1850 is the single entry, with ample offsets to balance the account.

The Standard in referring to the Ni- caragua canal question, thinks it would be a pity if the good understanding between the English and Americans should be weakened. Much has happened of late, it says, to warn Americans, as well as Englishmen, that they may have to rely upon each other in future for mutual assistance and to strengthen the bonds of race language and common culture which link them to one another.

The Panama Canal.

New York, Dec. 18.—A dispatch to the Herald from Panama says:

Senor Martinez Silveira, the Colum- bian minister of foreign affairs, cables from Bogota this statement of Colum- bia's attitude on the construction of an isthmian canal.

The Colombian government will do everything within its power to facilitate and hasten the opening of a canal by the Panama route, whether it is effect- ed by the actual company holding the concession which expires in 1906, or by whomsoever may represent their rights. The government will make reserva- tions only to preserve national sov- ereignty and to give assurance that free transit by way of the canal for all na- tions shall be fully guaranteed.

The Colombian minister to Wash- ington will leave soon to attend to this matter.

Pope Claims Temporal Power.

Rome, Dec. 17.—The pope in today's allocution thanked God, who had en- abled him to accomplish the holy year. Many painful matters, however, afflict- ed him, he went on to say, especially the conflict between Italy and the church, resulting in a violation of papal rights.

"Still graver things perhaps are to be apprehended," continued his holiness. "It is truly a calamity that the pontiff despoiled forcibly of just and legitimate sovereignty, which is his right, bound with the liberty of his ministry. The pontiff is now held under the power of other men and subjected to their arbit- rary will."

"Difficulties arise when we see the domination of Rome pass from one to another as though it was a right in- stead of being the fruit of injustice. We wish the papacy to remain intact. We declare that neither time nor the succession of rulers can depress or di- minish the imperceptible right of the pontiff."

Reservoirs in Nevada.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Representative Nowlands today introduced a bill for the construction of reservoirs for the storage of water on the Humboldt river in Nevada and for the disposition and settlement of public lands within reach of the stored waters. Mr. Nowlands expects to follow up by her bill similar in character and relating to the Truckee, Carson and Walker rivers.

He has requested the chairman of the rivers and harbors committee to give a hearing regarding the construction of reservoirs and the storage of waters in the arid region, but he has been in- formed by the chairman that the com- mittee will not consider any legislation relating to irrigation or reclaiming of arid lands.

Turkey Will Not Pay.

New York, Dec. 18.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

Payment of the missionary claims pending against Turkey is no longer ex- pected by the administration. Although the sultan entertained the officers of the Kentucky in truly royal style, he did not let the presence of the ship- board have any effect upon his pocket- book, and still holds the \$50,000 which American missionaries assert is the value of personal and mission property destroyed six years ago. The Ken- tucky has left Smyrna for Port Said, en route to Manila.

The belief of the administration that Turkey will not settle the claims arises

out of the reported purpose of Great Britain to press the missionary claims against her subjects against the sultan. It is stated that if another na- tion begins to press the claims the sultan will probably decline to settle those of the United States. The reason the American claims have not been dis- posed of is the fear of Turkey that other governments will require that their claims be paid.

The state department has not been informed of the signing of the contract with the representatives of the Crampa at Constantinople for a cruiser, the cost of which was to have included the amount of the American claims.

AGAINST THE GROUT BILL.

Stockmen Arer Opposing the Oleo-
margarine Fake.

Denver, Dec. 17.—The National Live- stock association will make an effort to defeat the Grout oleomargarine bill, which has recently passed the House and is now pending in the Senate at Washington. President John W. Springer today announced that the national association had retained Judge William T. Springer of Washington to represent the national association be- fore the Senate committee on agricul- ture, and Senator Proctor, the chairman of that committee, has been asked to delay action on the measure until after the national association has had an op- portunity to enter its protest.

"The stockmen of the West are all interested in this bill," said Mr. Springer today, "and so are all manufacturers of pure butter. It will become law, no industry in the country is safe, if it should become a law and take ef- fect. It means simply that the stockmen of the West will lose from three to four dollars on every wheel of butter."

"We claim also that the only people directly interested in the passage of this law is the butter trust. The far- mer, if never benefited from it, and the stockmen of the country are most emphatically against it. We have pro- tested heretofore, but we had no idea that the bill would ever pass the House. We intend now only to fight the measure, but the men in Congress who give their votes to such an infa- mous law."

ELECTRIC FLASHES.

An original pension of \$8 a month has been granted to Byron B. Brain of Salt Lake.

Mr. Proctor of Oklahoma has intro- duced a bill providing for a supreme court for Oklahoma.

A. Lawrie, deputy auditor for the postoffice department, has been ap- pointed auditor for the Philippines.

Five cases of what is believed to be bubonic plague have developed in Tucuman in the Argentine Republic.

It was said at St. Luke's hospital, New York, last night that Roland Reed had passed the crisis and is now on the road to recovery.

Col. Gen. John J. Parks (retired as colonel) died at his residence in Wash- ington yesterday of a complication of diseases incident to old age.

Geo. Hart, a coal miner, yesterday shot and instantly killed Ollie Jones in an altercation at New York. Hart and his victim are both negroes.

The military academy bill as re- ported to the House carries \$399,151, which is \$346,598 below the estimates and slightly above the bill of last year.

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The steamer Alpha foundered on a rock on the east coast of Vancouver island, B. C., last night, and is a total wreck. The captain, three engineers, managing owner, purser and three seamen were drowned.

In Philadelphia yesterday the indus- trial commission began a special ses- sion at the Manufacturers' club. Rep- resentatives of the important indus- tries in Pennsylvania have been invited to appear. It is expected that much in- formation of economic and industrial value will be collected.

The supreme court of Montana has affirmed the judgment of the district court in the case of the Helena Water- works company against the city of He- lena, holding that the contract for wa- ter between the two was not legal be- cause the city has exceeded its consti- tutional limit of indebtedness. The company is incorporated under the laws of New Jersey and is owned by eastern men. Appeal to the United States Supreme Court may be taken.

The sale of the coal and oil lands of Chancellor and Canfield of Los An- geles, Cal., and W. H. Hart and asso- ciates of San Francisco, which was re- ported some five months ago and subse- quently denied, was reaffirmed yester- day on good authority. The purchas- ers are said to be an English syndicate. The property involves 450 acres of the richest oil lands in the coalfield, yield- ing an average of thirty thousand barrels a month. It is stated that of the purchase price Chancellor and Can- field will receive \$1,000,000 and Mr. Hart and associates \$500,000.

STOLE FIVE-YEAR-OLD BOY.

Kidnappers Carry Off John Ditchburn, and Ask
Money for Him.

He Was Left at a Farm House, where
He Was Held Until the Arrival
of the Police.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 18.—Kidnappers stole five-year-old John Ditchburn, son of Lawyer John Ditchburn, yesterday, and after an exciting time, in which both relatives and police participated, the little boy was located in a farm house near Linnton, about 10 miles be- low this city.

Chester Van Hoy, 16 years old, a re- cent arrival from Spokane, was arrest- ed later in the day, charged with kid- napping, and was locked up at the po- lice station. The kidnappers offered to give up the boy for money, and if no money was forthcoming they threat- ened to take him away on a cruise.

About 7:30 o'clock last night Chester Van Hoy called on Mr. and Mrs. Ditch- burn and, presenting a letter, said: "I was told to wait for an answer."

"Who are you?" he was asked.

"I'm a messenger boy," was the re- ply. The letter was written in pencil and demanded \$75 for the return of the boy. Mrs. Ditchburn had Van Hoy seized and detained. Late last night a farmer named McDonald, living near Linnton telephoned to Chief of Police McLaughlin that a stranger with a team had left a boy in his care, and had asked that the boy be kept all morn- ing. On learning that the boy's name was Ditchburn the chief asked McDon- ald to hold him.

DENVER NOT IN IT.
Colorado Loses the G. A. R. Con-
vention in 1901.

St. Louis, Dec. 17.—The executive committee of the G. A. R. held a meet- ing today to decide on a place for the next annual encampment, which will be held September 19, 1901. The cities desirous of securing the encampment are Denver, Washington, Cleveland and Pittsburgh.

Several hours were spent in debate, and while no place was definitely chosen, the claims of Denver were "turned down" by a vote of 8 to 1. This does not settle the matter as far as Denver is concerned, for its representa- tives say that they will fight the de- cision and will lay claim to the con- vention.

The reason for the decision of the committee is that the terms required by the Chicago encampment last summer were not complied with by Denver. At Chicago it was voted to accept Den- ver as the site, provided that city would secure railroad rates of 1 cent a mile. This matter was the point on which the committee and the Denver representatives disagreed. The Den- verites claiming that the rate was prac- tically assured, while the executive committee refused to accept the evi- dence.

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