

GEN. CHAFFEE AND COUNT WALTERSEE.

The Latter Refuses to Receive Former's
Letter Because of Objectionable Phrases
—Are Withdrawn—They Then Dine.

Berlin, Dec. 11, 2 p. m.—The German foreign office authorizes the Associated Press to make the following statement regarding the Waltersee-Chaffee incident based upon a cable dispatch just received from Field Marshal von Waldersee:

"Gen. Chaffee wrote Field Marshal von Waldersee a letter in a rough tone. Field Marshal von Waldersee refused to receive it, returning the same to Gen. Chaffee. The latter then wrote a second letter apologizing for his objectionable expressions, whereupon Field Marshal von Waldersee invited Gen. Chaffee to breakfast and the incident was amicably closed."

INCIDENT EXPLAINED.
Washington, Dec. 11.—The war department has received a report from Gen. Chaffee of the incident that occurred at Pekin in connection with his representations to Field Marshal von Waldersee. It appears that Gen. Chaffee did use some pretty vigorous language in protesting against the slandering and looting of the foreign

troops. What particularly hurt the feelings of Waldersee was a pointed reference by Gen. Chaffee to the fact that this disgraceful and unmilitary practice of looting was being indulged in not by the men who did the fighting, but by the late comers who had borne none of the brunt of conflict and hardship.

It is recognized here officially that Gen. Chaffee had provoked for his deliverance, but regret is felt that he used this tone in addressing the field marshal. It is significantly pointed out here that the incident was not incumbent upon Gen. Chaffee to make any representations whatever on this subject to the field marshal, as there is no longer any official tie between them.

When the United States government changed the character of its military representation in Pekin, from an expeditionary force to a mere legation guard, of course that guard no longer came under the control of the commander-in-chief at Pekin, but was simply a part of Minister Conger's official household.

KNOX AND DEWET FIGHTING.

Forces Exchanged Ground Incessantly—British War Office Very
Reticent—English Believed to Have Had
Considerable Success.

London, Dec. 11.—The Evening Standard says the battle between Gen. Knox and Gen. Dewet continues and that the forces engaged exchanged ground incessantly. Lack of definite information is said to be due to the absence of

telegraph communication with the scene of action.

While the war office is most reticent on the subject there are indications that the officials have received news suggesting considerable British success against Dewet.

THE MINISTERS MEET IN PEKIN.

Some Have Not Received Instructions to Act—Li Hung Chang
Visits Gen. Chaffee—Says His Powers to
Negotiate Are Complete.

Pekin, Dec. 10, via Taku.—At today's meeting of the ministers, called to consider if Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching had power from the court to conduct negotiations for a settlement on behalf of China, some of the ministers stated that they were authorized to treat with them as representatives of China, while others, including the German minister, had not received instructions in the matter.

All decided, however, that as soon as Sir Ernest Mason Satow, the British minister, shall receive word to agree to the joint note they will commence negotiations with Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching unless otherwise instructed by their home governments.

Count von Waldersee has turned over \$25,000 as the British share of the result of the Pao Ting Fu expedition to Gen. Gaselee, who in turn gave the money to Minister Satow to be used for the benefit of Chinese who may need help during the winter.

Li Hung Chang visited Gen. Chaffee today. He says that his powers to negotiate with the foreign envoys, though conferred by telegraph, are absolute and complete.

At the meeting of the provisional government held today the United States was represented by Capt. Dods, of the Ninth infantry. All of the governments have entered into the plan except France, whose representatives insist that the French territory shall be excluded from the rule of the commission appointed. A number of sub-committees were appointed.

Several high Chinese officials, on being asked, expressed a desire to assist. Though army officials have been appointed members of the committee it is the desire of the generals to make the rule of the commission as far as possible. Japan was placed on the committee on account of the amount of rice she commandeered in August, most of which she has now.

TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE STATUS.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 11.—In regard to the strike situation on the Santa Fe it is asserted at General Manager Nevins' office today that the entire system from Albuquerque to San Francisco, is amply supplied with operators and that the company is deigned with applications by telegraph, telephone and mail.

"We are experiencing no difficulty whatever," said Chief Clerk Henderson, in moving trains and handling our business, and we consider the strike ended. We may experience some annoyance from the acts of former employees. Last night our operators at Danby and Blake were assaulted by a former agent at Danby, and both were seriously injured. A warrant is out for his arrest and the sheriff is looking for him. We shall endeavor with all our power to protect our men and property and to secure the punishment of those who molest either."

The Santa Fe overland from the East arrived two hours late. Other times are practically on time.

"A THING OF THE PAST."
Topeka, Kansas, Dec. 11.—The Santa Fe officials today claim the telegraphers' strike is a thing of the past. They say the strikers' places are so nearly filled that the hiring of men will be stopped tonight.

General Manager Dodge has issued a reward notice offering \$250 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person cutting, or otherwise obstructing the telegraph wires or instruments of the company.

"There was some interference with wires on the Oklahoma division and at Okmulgee, Kansas," he said. "It may have been done by mischievous persons other than striking operators. Keys were opened at places, but altogether the trouble we experienced was slight."

A HUNDRED AND FIFTY VACANCIES.
Chicago, Dec. 11.—According to the

NOTICE.

The heavy demands for advertising in the Christmas "News," which have already necessitated an enlargement to 68 pages, will render it impossible to accept any display advertisements for the issue later than next Wednesday, the 12th inst., at noon. Advertising patrons are respectfully requested to govern themselves accordingly.

The Christmas number will be on sale in Salt Lake on Saturday, Dec. 15, and in Los Angeles Tuesday, Dec. 18. Price, 15 cents.

officials, there exists now a badly congested state of affairs.

HAS PLENTY OF MEN.
Stockton, Cal., Dec. 11.—Division Superintendent F. D. Schindler and Chief Train Dispatcher Robert Hamilton of the Santa Fe have arrived here, after having placed new telegraph operators in the positions made vacant by the Order of Railway Telegraphers. Mr. Schindler announced that all of the stations between Fresno and Point Richmond were occupied at present, and that the wires on the road were working again. He does not anticipate any trouble hereafter. Today he says he will fill the vacancies between Fresno and Bakersfield. He says he has plenty of men.

FOURTEEN DEAD BODIES.

Detachment of Fifth Cavalry Has an Engagement With Filipinos.

Pursues Them for Four Miles—Americans Suffer No Casualties—Affairs in Guam.

Manila, Dec. 11.—A detachment of the Fifth cavalry had a fight with a hundred insurgents south of Santa Cruz Sunday. The insurgents were chased for four miles. Fourteen of them were found dead. There were no American casualties.

In addition to this engagement there had been several minor encounters between the troops and the insurgents.

The United States hospital ship Solace has arrived at Cavite from San Francisco. Her officers say the condition of affairs at the island of Guam has considerably improved since a week ago. Dwellings are being restored and the people are resuming their occupations, but the crops are practically all destroyed, though there is no immediate want. The Solace left supplies and a considerable quantity of supplies to Guam from Cavite. The reports as to the number of deaths are about unchanged.

The wives of Commander Seton Schroeder, governor of Guam, and other officers, who went to the island on the Solace, remained at Guam.

NO AID FROM HOLLAND.

Refuses to Take Initiative in Behalf of Arbitration.

The Hague, Dec. 11.—The Dutch government today finally and definitely refused to take the initiative in behalf of arbitration between the Transvaal and Great Britain.

HERR BEBEL TALKS.
Berlin, Dec. 11.—In the reichstag today on the resumption of the debate on the estimates, Herr Bebel, the socialist leader, concerning the remarks in the reichstag yesterday of the imperial chancery, Count von Bülow, as to Germany's policy in the Transvaal question, said:

"We have every reason to be on friendly terms with England without thereby restricting their freedom."

GOV. BECKHAM INAUGURATED.
In His Address He Made No Reference to Goebel's Assassination.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 11.—With perfect weather and in the presence of a vast throng of people, Gov. J. C. W. Beckham was inaugurated today for the third year running of the term for which William Goebel and Wm. S. Taylor contested last year.

With the booming of cannon at 11 o'clock, the inaugural procession took up its march. Two regiments of the state troops, Gov. Beckham in his inaugural address did not refer to the murder of Wm. Goebel. He promised the State a clean and honest administration of its executive affairs in a spirit of fairness and tolerance, with no feeling of partisan hate or malice, with a sincere desire to remove as far as possible all friction and ill-feeling from among the people. He said it would be his policy to keep the State quiet, in a first class condition, but that the military power shall always be in soluble subordination to the civil authority and shall never be called into active service except as a last resort to carrying out the decrees of judicial tribunals.

The decoration of the grave of the late Governor Goebel took place this afternoon.

WAITING FOR THE VERDICT.

Jessie Morrison Now Waits for the Jury to Decide Her Fate.

Kansas City, Dec. 11.—A special to the Star from Eldorado, Kansas, says: When Jessie Morrison awoke in her cell this morning it was to a realization that her fate at the hands of the jury would soon be known. Her hope of acquittal, which had begun to rise with the close of court on Friday last, had become almost assurance.

The closing arguments were not finished until 10 o'clock last night, with instructions not to begin consideration of their verdict until 8:30 o'clock this morning. At that hour the jury was led into a small room in the court house set aside for it and its struggles began. In the hall-way outside the men could be heard talking loudly, apparently all at the same time.

It is the opinion of the lawyers on both sides that no matter what the verdict may be it will not be reached for a day or two. When the jury was sent out to deliberate the prisoner and her family retired to her cell.

Miss Morrison this morning received forty letters of sympathy. A New York city physician extended an invitation from himself and his wife to make her home with them when she should have been acquitted.

Up to 3 p. m. a verdict in the Jessie Morrison murder trial had not been reached.

PORTUGAL AND NETHERLANDS.

Holland's Foreign Minister Gives an Explanation.

ONLY A MISUNDERSTANDING

No Fresh Complications Have Arisen—Differences Will Soon be Settled, It Is Expected.

The Hague, Dec. 11.—Replying in the second chamber today to the interpellation of Count van Bylandt, notice of which was given yesterday, on the subject of the tension between the Netherlands and Portugal, the foreign minister, Dr. W. H. De Beaufort, sketched the history of the misunderstanding which he declared had been exaggerated.

He said the Dutch minister at Lisbon, Baron van Neecken, announced Nov. 17, that Portugal desired to withdraw the exequatur of Herr Pott as consul of the Netherlands at Lorenzo Marques, unless the government of the Netherlands would obviate the necessity by dismissing or recalling Herr Pott. As the Netherlands government had no official information that Herr Pott had permitted, as alleged, the importation of contraband of war, it could not accede to the demand for his recall without a fuller inquiry, and it therefore instructed the minister at Lisbon to cable to Herr Pott, asking him to clear up the matter. Herr Pott then applied for leave to come to Europe, which was granted. Netherlands proposed to Portugal that an investigation be made during the consul's visit and that three months be allowed for the rendering of a report on the subject.

The government of the Netherlands proposed Portugal approved of this proposal, and was surprised to learn shortly afterward that Portugal insisted on withdrawing the exequatur of Herr Pott.

The foreign minister explained that he was not aware of fresh complaints against Herr Pott were the cause of this, but a notification sent to the Netherlands' minister of the withdrawal of the exequatur would now all accord with the very friendly relations between the Netherlands and Portugal. Immediately after the exequatur was withdrawn, however, the Dutch minister was summoned to give information, and Herr Pott was expected at The Hague within a month. After Count van Bylandt had expressed the hope that the difficulties would be speedily settled, the subject was dropped.

Wreck on Southern Pacific.

Doon, Nevada, Dec. 11.—Eastbound passenger train, number four, which left San Francisco yesterday, was wrecked near here last night. A misplaced switch, which is supposed to have been tampered with. The engine and baggage car were derailed, but no one was killed or injured. Traffic will be delayed for some hours until the track is cleared.

Mr. Junius F. Wells, agent for the "News," who has been in Los Angeles for some time, is a passenger on No. 4.

A Determined Suicide.

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—Geo. S. Wagner, a well-known suicide, today by driving a large pair of shears through his neck, making use of a hatchet to accomplish the act. Domestic troubles is the reason assigned.

"SMALLPOX" CASES TODAY.

The city board of health recorded three new "smallpox" cases today. They are Irene V. Smith, aged 8 years, residence 118 I street, James H. Nelson, 30 years, residence 525 Second street, Lewis A. Watson, 18 years, residence 428 west, Fifth South street. The last named young man is one of the R. G. W. employees who was vaccinated some time ago, and the vaccination "took" safely.

WARD ENTERTAINMENTS.

On Thursday evening, Dec. 13th, the Deacons of the Tenth ward will hold a dance in the meeting house, and assure all who attend a good time, as the cause is a worthy one. A large crowd is expected to attend. The proceeds are to defray meeting house expenses.

LATE LOCALS.

Prof. Wm. M. Stewart of the State University will lecture in the Fourteenth ward meeting house tomorrow, Wednesday, evening, at 7:30 o'clock, before the M. L. associations of Salt Lake Stake.

Governor Wells is temporarily located at the cashier's desk at the State Bank in order to relieve Assistant Cashier Burton, who has gone to the coast to spend the holidays with his family.

Thomas R. Cutler, general manager of the Utah Sugar company, left on Monday for Cleveland, Ohio, on business for the Sugar company. He expects to return about the 24th.

The "News" reminds advertisers desiring space in the Christmas Los Angeles number, to be issued Saturday next, that no orders can be taken for display advertisements after tomorrow noon. The demand has been unprecedented in the history of the News. On Monday, requests for nine pages of advertising from Salt Lake, Ogden and Provo merchants were received, and the orders booked for "News" dealers amounted to 2,000 copies. The advertising demand has necessitated a further enlargement to 68 pages.

A military ball will be held at Fort Douglas this evening. In addition to dancing a 11 o'clock lunch will be served. The dancing public is invited.

An illustration of some of the small-pox cases is given in an incident that occurred yesterday afternoon. Two children of Mr. Condie are quarantined, together, and to pass the time one counted the pustules on the other's face. The result of the enumeration was that an even 400 were found "in front of her ears," as the child is said to have described it.

Little Elaine Burt, one of the small-pox cases near the Lincoln school, is very ill from the disease, and is reported to have been blind for 12 days past.

VACCINATION ORDER AT PROVO.

Affects All the Schools in the Garden City.

COMMANDED BY DR. BEATTY

School Teachers and Pupils Must be Vaccinated or Keep Away from School.

[SPECIAL TO THE "NEWS"]

Provo, Dec. 11.—Dr. F. W. Taylor, city physician, has received a communication from Dr. Beatty, secretary of the State Board of Health, in which the latter recites the prevalence of small-pox in the State, and a threatened epidemic. He orders Dr. Taylor to take steps against the further spread of the disease in Provo. He also directs that all schools of whatever character, and of whatever jurisdiction, shall be closed to teachers and children who shall fail to show signs of having been vaccinated within seven years. The order is to take effect on and after January 1st, 1901. Dr. Beatty further urges that health officers to inspect the children and teachers and furnish them with certificates if they are entitled to them.

Dr. Taylor has replied that the order shall be enforced, and that the heads of all the schools in the city have been notified to that effect.

WALKER IN TROUBLE AGAIN

Man Who Assaulted Jim Hamilton Accused of Burglary.

Last night Detective Sheets arrested Joseph Walker on the charge of burglary, and he was placed in jail. It is alleged that he went to the Alta club Saturday night and stole two overcoats valued at \$125. The coats belong to Benner H. Smith and Robert Glendinning. It is said that Walker pawned one of the coats. He is the man accused of assaulting and robbing Jim Hamilton.

DEATH OF PIONEER WOMAN

Mrs. Mary Ann Malin Expires Suddenly at Advanced Age.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Ann Bosley Malin will be held from the Twelfth ward school house tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Malin expired yesterday suddenly, at her home, 225 Fourth East street, as stated in Monday evening's "News." She was quietly resting in her arm chair, and while her daughter, Mrs. Seaman, was in the act of putting on her shoes for her, she fell dead full upon the aged lady. When Mrs. Seaman looked up she saw her mother's eyes fixed and the ashen hue of death in her face. Dr. Hasbrouck was summoned, but he saw that the aged lady was beyond human aid, and in a few minutes latter her spirit was released from her body.

Mrs. Malin was born in Livingston county, New York. She joined the "Mormon" Church at Palmyra, New York, and removed to Kirtland. She was with the Church all through the terrible days of Missouri and the expulsion from Nauvoo. She crossed the plains in 1849, and has resided here ever since. She possessed a strong and determined spirit, and her courage was dauntless, yet withal she had a tender and affectionate nature, which endeared many people to her. Mrs. Malin was the mother of five children, Mrs. Sarah Ann Seaman, Mrs. Almira Everett, C. B. Malin, F. M. Malin, and S. B. Malin, all of this city.

NOT THE RIGHT MEN.

Sheriff Layne Pursues Two Innocent Men to California.

[SPECIAL TO THE "NEWS"]

Ogden, Dec. 11.—Sheriff Layne returned this morning from California, where he had gone in pursuit of the two men who were suspected of having stolen \$99,000 of the Utah National Bank. Thomas Edgington of West Weber, the men are Charles Layfield and Frank Schmidt, and were arrested in California. At their preliminary hearing, however, they proved their innocence and were released.

QUARANTINE DISREGARDED.

Cases of Complaint That Need Immediate Attention.

Complaints were filed with the "News" today that at the home of a Mr. Walker, a flag indicating "smallpox" has been put up at a side door, where it is not likely to be noticed, and that laundry was sent to an uptown laundry yesterday from the house.

Another complaint is concerning a case of scarlet fever on South Temple street, near the U. S. L. depot, where the flag was said to be put up at the back door where few could see it, and where the inmates of the place are said to be disregarding the quarantine regulations.

Another Case Affirmed.

Late yesterday afternoon, an opinion came down in the Supreme court in the case of Lucinda A. Lebeche, appellant, vs. George C. Lambert, affirming the judgment of the court below. The action was to recover on a promissory note for \$200. The jury found for the defendant Lambert, and recommending that plaintiff was not the legal holder of the note; that the payee, the late David Lebeche of Akron, Ohio, had failed to carry out his part of the contract, which was to plant grape vines, and that his endorsement on the note was a forgery. The Supreme court found no reversible error, and hence affirmed the judgment. The opinion was by District Judge McCarthy, Chief Justice Barth and Justice Baskin concurring.

Estate of Ole Benson.

Nells J. Olson petitioned the probate court today for letters of administration in the estate of Ole Benson, deceased. Mr. Benson died at Ventura, California, on December 1st, 1900, leaving an estate of the value of \$1,025, consisting of money in Zion's Savings Bank, amounting to \$1,000, and \$25 with James Cahoon of Murray, and some personal property. The heirs are the mother of deceased, who lives in Sweden. Pettigrew is an uncle of deceased. December 23 was set for the hearing.

RESIGNATION OF COL. J. R. WINDER

Governor Wells is Averse to Accepting It—
Wants No Change in the Presidency
of the State Fairs.

At the opening of the State Fair in October last, Hon. John R. Winder, who has been president of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society for the past forty-four years, and has made such an eminent success of Territorial and State expositions in that period, announced that that probably would be the last State Fair over which he would preside, as he had been a long time in such service, and was approaching his seventy-ninth year. At the time there was a chorus of protests from the people, who have recognized Col. Winder's special fitness and qualifications, both by his ability and experience for the place. It was almost thought that the popular expression of a desire that Col. Winder should retain the place had caused him to reconsider his determination to resign. But today, December 11, is his 74th birthday, and it brought another evidence that he keeps his promises, as the public has realized heretofore to its benefit. He handed his resignation to the Governor. It reads as follows:

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 11, 1900. Hon. Heber M. Wells, Governor of Utah:

Dear Sir—I respectfully tender to you my resignation as president and director of the Deseret Agricultural and Manufacturing Society, which I trust you will accept.

The severance of my connection with this society, which has extended over forty years, causes me some regret. This is the 74th anniversary of my birthday, and having important ecclesiastical duties to perform, which always take precedence, I cannot devote the time necessary for the faithful performance of the duties required in this office satisfactorily to myself.

I am gratified to be able to state that my report to the Legislature, which is now prepared, will show an unexpended balance in the treasury of more than \$5,000. My ambition has always been to have a surplus rather than a deficit. I shall continue to take an interest in the prosperity and advancement of the society.

Very respectfully,
JOHN R. WINDER.

Governor Wells was asked by a "News" representative what action had been taken on the resignation, or if none had been, what was intended. The Governor promptly responded that the resignation had not been accepted; that it was held in abeyance, in order to induce Col. Winder not to insist on it. The Governor was in full accord with the public sentiment that Col. Winder should remain at the head of the D. A. and M. Society, and conduct the State Fair, so long as he was able to do so. The capable attention they had received, and in response to an inquiry said his resignation was in the Governor's hands, and according to the terms of the resignation, he would let it rest at that. On State fair communications, however, the Bishop was communicative.

SALT LAKE CITY BONDS ARE VALID

Supreme Court Decides That Those Issued for City Waterworks
Are All Right—Municipality Has Full Power
to Issue Them.

This afternoon the Supreme Court handed down an opinion in the case of the People of the State of Utah, ex rel. W. P. O'Meara, vs. the City Council of Salt Lake City, denying the prayer for writ of prohibition, which in effect holds that the city waterworks improvement bonds are valid, and that the municipality has the power under the Constitution of the State to issue them.

Mr. O'Meara commenced the proceedings in the higher court, and asked for a writ of prohibition to prevent the City Council from issuing the \$250,000 bonds, upon the ground that the total indebtedness of Salt Lake City was limited by the State Constitution to four per cent for general purposes and four per cent additional for supplying the city with water, and that the two limitations must be construed together as

limiting the total indebtedness to eight per cent.

This limitation, petitioner claimed, was violated by the issuance of the bonds, since the issue made the total indebtedness of the municipality exceed this amount.

The Supreme Court holds that "the total limited powers (to issue water bonds and to incur a general indebtedness) are essentially separate and independent; that the special limited power to incur an indebtedness for water, light, gas, sewer purposes, is absolute, within its own limits; that a debt incurred by virtue thereof is additional to that restricted and limited for general purposes; and that the municipality in this instance, has both the constitutional and statutory power to issue the bonds referred to in the petition herein."

The opinion is by Chief Justice Barth, Justices Miner and Baskin concurring.

SUPREME COURT ORDERS NEW TRIAL

THIS CASE AFFIRMED.

Supreme Court Decision in a Utah
Co. Case Affirming Lower Court.

The Supreme Court also handed down an opinion today in the case of the Rio Grande Western Railway company vs. the Telluride Power Transmission company and L. L. Num, appellants, affirming the judgment of the court below.

Action in this case was brought, under the laws of Utah, to condemn a strip of ground for a right of way in Provo canyon. The Telluride company was a Colorado concern, and it appears never called into the laws of this State regarding the filing of articles of incorporation and for that reason it is held as not entitled to the benefit of the laws of this State with reference to corporations. The opinion was delivered by Justice Barth, Chief Justice Barth and Justice Baskin concurring.

Judgment by Consent.

The Singer Manufacturing company entered suit against W. C. Clayton in the Third district court today to recover \$1,271.45, alleged to be due plaintiff on sewing machines, notes and other indebtedness, which, it is alleged, the defendant, as plaintiff's agent, failed to account for to his company.

The defendant appeared in person before Judge Cherry today and consented that judgment be taken against him for the amount prayed for.