

49 CHILDREN ARE DROWNED.

Terrible Skating Accident in Iowa—Report Says that of 51 Children, All But Two Perish.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A special to the Record from Des Moines, Iowa, says: At 2 o'clock this morning communication was secured with the mayor's office in Oskaloosa, over the telephone, and it was stated that information had been received from Ottumwa confirming the rumor that forty-nine children had been drowned at What Cheer, this State.

It was stated that the children had been skating on a pond near the Fair grounds. There were only a few escapes. The tragedy occurred at about 9 o'clock last evening. Beyond this no particulars were known in Oskaloosa. What Cheer cannot now be reached by wire.

Through the office of a telephone company at Indianapolis, it was learned from the Oskaloosa office that the Ottumwa office had learned that the rumor of the drowning of forty-nine children was true. No particulars could be got.

THE EARLIER REPORT.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A special to the Times-Herald from Burlington, Iowa, says: A telephone message from Washington, Iowa, last night announced that fifty-one children were skating on the river near Foster, Monroe county, when

the ice broke through and forty-nine of them were drowned. The message announced that two of the youngsters, badly bruised and utterly exhausted, managed to reach the land and give the alarm.

Telephone and telegraph messages to every point near Foster have failed to bring confirmation or denial of the story and there is no means of tracing the origin of the first message.

Foster is a small town near What Cheer, and is located on the Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. Every available point having connection with Foster, either by wire or railroad, was roused, but could get no information. It is thought here that the report is probably not true.

The telephone exchange at What Cheer closed at midnight, without either confirming or denying the rumor.

MAY NOT BE TRUE.

Burlington, Iowa, Dec. 28.—A telephone message from Ottumwa to the Hawkeye, at 4 a. m., denied that a report was telephoned from there that the drowning story from What Cheer was true.

The telephone people, the Western Union Telegraph company and railroad officials can find out nothing to confirm the rumor.

It was learned that the story was first told at Washington, Iowa, by trainmen, and every effort since to get confirmation has been in vain.

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India. His majesty will spend the night on board.

The Hamburg Real Estate association has voted 20,000 marks for the preparation of plans for a university, as a means of enhancing real estate values.

The conference of iron-workers and coal miners that has been in session in Bochum, advised the miners to demand the following amendment to the Prussian mining laws:

"First—An eight-hour shift for subterranean workers.

"Second—Prohibition of female labor in mines and on plants belonging to mines.

"Third—Prohibition of subterranean work in the case of boys under 16 years of age.

"Fourth—Compulsory organization of labor committees.

"Fifth—Thorough reform of the miners' mutual aid schools."

The establishment of a free harbor at Emden is expected to make it an important port for American wood. Westphalian firms have already ordered 10,000 tons of pitch pine to be sent there for shipment via the Dortmund-Ems canal. A joint wood stock company has been established in Emden to import pitch pine and other woods in large quantities.

Held Up a Stage.

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 27.—A lone highwayman held up the Hot Springs stage near Hot Springs Junction last evening, securing about \$50 from the private express box. It is reported that an important consignment of gold dust from a mine near Hot Springs formed a part of the booty. The bandit conducted operations quietly and disappeared on a horse. The stage driver hurried on to Hot Springs and reported the robbery was organized and is now on the trail of the robber.

Suffering in North Dakota.

Fargo, N. D., Dec. 27.—The suffering of the Russian settlers in McHenry county is great. Bill R. Erickson, an acting distributing officer of the Red Cross society, says:

"We have thirty-three families depending on us. Quite a number are actually starving. They can get no credit till their crops next spring show a fair prospect of a yield. Some of them are in snug sod houses and are enabled to keep warm with a little fuel, but they need provisions badly."

The settlers are recent arrivals from Russia, and had no crops this year because they arrived too late to break and plant the land they have homesteaded. Nearly all the farm families have a large number of children.

Beer as Poison.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—The possibility of arsenical poisoning in beer was the topic of popular interest at the opening of the convention of the American Chemical society today. The 560 chemists from all parts of the country turned from discourses on atoms and elements and joined in the argument growing out of the recent wholesale poisonings in England.

Dr. Edward Gudden charged the brewers with wilfully introducing into beer an arsenical antiseptic to prevent the fermentation of the beverage to be progressing too far, and his assertion was the sensation of the session.

Several other chemists spoke on the question, urging that all beer and other liquors brewed in moving a body from analyzed to protect the consumers from dangers of poison.

A. Schall, secretary of the society, read a paper by Charles A. Parsons of New Hampshire, in which he said that in which a recipe was given for distinguishing oleomargarine from butter. The sample, the writer said, should be placed in boiling milk and cooled, being stirred through the process. If the fat collects into a ball, the sample is oleomargarine; if not, it is butter.

In the afternoon the members of the society visited local points of interest while in the evening the delegates dined at the Auditorium, and President Murtie delivered an address upon "Condition, Prospects and Future Educational Requirements of the Chemical Industries."

BattleShip Contract.

Boston, Dec. 28.—Secretary of the Navy Long, in an interview, explained that as yet no rewards of battleship contracts have been made. He said that the statement that two contracts had gone to the Fore River Engine company, was not quite correct. He had no doubt that the Fore River company would get the contract, but it is stipulated that the company is to be incorporated first. This will be done soon. Most of the bids for battleships, Secretary Long said, were above the price limit set by the government. The Fore River company bid inside the limit, however, and would undoubtedly get the contract after incorporating.

Miss Marriott Dead.

London, Dec. 28.—Miss Marriott (Mrs. Alice Edgar), the actress, is dead. She made an American tour about 1870.

Corner in Beans.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—A corner in beans is being engineered by the Albert Dixon Co. Within two weeks the price has risen from \$1.54 per bushel to \$2.25, and retailers predict a further advance to \$2.50 within a fortnight. Heavy purchases by the government are said to be at the bottom of the boom in prices.

Germany and Protective Tariff.

Washington, Dec. 28.—The vast industrial forces of Germany are organizing for a tremendous struggle with the agrarian and coal interests, according to a report to the state department from U. S. Consul Schumacher at Mainz. He says that the manufacturing interests of Germany surely will demand the passage of a protective tariff during the present session of the Reichstag. Three of the strongest industrial societies of Germany recently convened to organize a national council. The imperial government apparently was in sympathy with the movement, and while the efforts so far have failed, they are not to be abandoned.

WANTS TO WEAR OUT GEN. DEWET

Order of Lord Kitchener to General Knox's Troopers.

BRITISH ARE MORE HOPEFUL

Note that Kitchener's Lines of Communication are Not Broken—Gen. Colville's Case.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Tribune from London says: Gen. Kitchener offers striking proof that the British lines of communication are not seriously menaced by the Boer raiders. He has suddenly re-appeared at Pretoria, after a flying journey to De Aar and Naauwpoort, having passed in a single week up and down the entire line of communications without a sense of insecurity. His message tends to minimize the importance of the raids in Cape Colony and to reveal the first objective point of his campaign. Knox's troopers are described as fighting with Dewet's burghers at Leeuwkop and preventing his return southward to the Orange river. Some military writers have been rashly assuming that Dewet would merely be kept under observation and that Knox's troopers would be diverted to the defense of Cape Colony. The pursuit of the great raid has not slackened and he will be followed until he is caught.

REV. JOHNSON DEPOSED.

Some of the Supposed Reasons for His Disappearance.

New York, Dec. 28.—The Tribune prints the following: The fact that the Rev. Jas. Le Baron Johnson, the former assistant rector of Grace church, was formally deposed from the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal church about a week ago, has become known to his friends in this city. It has been ascertained that he was deposed from the ministry at his own request and that announcement of his deposition stated that there is no reflection upon his moral character in the proceedings. Mr. Johnson disappeared about two weeks ago and his friends have not had any word from him. About the time of his disappearance he wrote to Bishop Potter expressing a determination to give up the ministry and requesting that an announcement of deposition be made. Bishop Potter caused the announcement to be made at the Church of the Ascension, which Mr. Johnson had just been associated with the work of that church.

Mr. Johnson had resigned his place as assistant rector of Grace church, and his resignation had been accepted. He had resigned the place of chaplain in the fire department, and Fire Commissioner Seannell had placed the resignation on file. Mr. Johnson left the rectory at Watkins, N. Y., about two weeks ago. He had been suffering with nervous troubles since last spring. He went to Europe for a stay of two months at that time, but he was not benefited much by the trip. Friends of Mr. Johnson in this city say that his health was shattered by over work.

At the time of the great fire which destroyed the steamship and some of the ships of the North-German Lloyd line in Hoboken, Mr. Johnson was on a fire boat on the North River. He saw some of the sailors who were in the boat and he thrust their heads and hands out of the port holes of the ship and appealing for help. This excitement was so great that he became ill. It is believed by many of his friends that he is in the West and that he will return as soon as his health has been restored. His father, Archdeacon Johnson, of New Brighton, S. I., said that he does not know where his son is.

Big Roadway Scheme.

New York, Dec. 28.—Warden Hayes, of the Kings County penitentiary, has a road building plan which he would like to put into effect between New York city and Buffalo, making a highway 150 feet wide and 424 miles long. He thinks the work could be done by the convicts in the penal institution of the State, which he believes would prevent prisoners from growing desperate from lack of work. There would be no expense to the State, he thinks, as the proposition stands now. He has interested the State prison commission and the prison reform association in the project. It is considered that the scheme would require about ten years.

English Pilgrims to Rome.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Tribune says: The duke of Norfolk, headed a band of over 200 English pilgrims who have just started for Rome. It has been alleged that he is paying the traveling expenses of the bulk of this party, but he has denied this. The journey and stay in Rome has been cheapened by tourist agents until the figures are almost the lowest on record for continental travel. Cardinal Vaughan will join the pilgrims in Rome and the pope will receive and address them.

Murdered His Wife.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Herald from Nice says: Vicomte Jules de Bernouilly shot his divorced wife here last night. The shooting took place in the Rue De La Paix. The vicomte fired six shots at his wife, who had strength enough to call for help and take refuge in a shop, where she died shortly afterward.

Mme. Bernouilly was not quite 24 years old. She had been divorced from her husband for 16 months. The husband remained intensely jealous of his wife, and kept a constant watch on her movements.

There was one child, a girl of four years, who had been entrusted to the mother's care. It seems the child was rather capricious and the mother and the divorced couple, as the husband wanted to have charge of his daughter.

De Bernouilly is 33 years old. He appears to have long premeditated the crime, and it is said to have frequently told friends of his intention of killing his wife. Directly after he had committed the crime he went to the nearest police station and gave himself up.

Paderewski Still Lives.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Herald from Paris says: The rumor cabled from New York that Paderewski had been killed in a duel in Paris, caused much anxiety among his friends. However, immediately pointed out that that part of the rumor at least was incorrect, as Paderewski and his wife left Paris on Sunday night for Switzerland. It was learned that a telegram had been received in Paris from Paderewski's son, saying that his father and stepmother arrived at the Morges, near Lausanne, safely, that night. A Herald correspondent has a telegram from Paderewski's wife in which no mention was made of the great pianist's fighting or even being wounded, but says distinctly that he was better, referring possibly to the cold from which he had been suffering.

Peace in Ecuador.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Herald from Panama says: General Franco, formerly general in chief of the Ecuadorian army, who was nominated by the radical party as a candidate for the presidency, has withdrawn from the campaign.

This means that the official candidate, General Plaza, will have no serious opposition in the coming election. The situation now points to peace and prosperity for Ecuador.

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PARIS ABLAZE WITH EXCITEMENT

Demand of Dreyfus for a New Hearing Causes the Uproar—Rocheffort Provoked the Letter—Another Court Martial May be Ordered to Hear the Case.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Times-Herald from Paris, says: The letter from Dreyfus to Premier Waldeck-Rousseau, demanding a new hearing, has set Paris ablaze with excitement.

The nationalists will hold a secret convocation to decide upon what action to take in view of the threatened revival of this celebrated affair, which "will not down." The impression prevails that Dreyfus is now in this city.

Some usually well informed persons insist that his letter to the premier was carefully prepared after consultation with various distinguished men, one of them being especially conspicuous.

The absence of any date to the letter is pointed to as evidence that Dreyfus is here.

Dreyfus' letter was provoked by Henri Rocheffort's assertion in the Intransigent that Dreyfus sent to Emperor William in 1844 a document

stolen from the German embassy in Paris, which document constituted direct evidence of the crime "for which" the ex-captain writes "I have been twice condemned unjustly."

Everybody believes that if an inquiry is accorded it will mean a revival of the case. The nationalists are palpably alarmed lest Dreyfus' former counsel, now stronger than ever, may find a formidable majority in both houses of the legislature; that, goaded by the insults of the opposition, it will order an investigation, which will result in another court martial on the ground that new evidence has been discovered.

The nationalists' heads severely blame Rocheffort for precipitating a new episode.

The World correspondent has interviewed several leaders in the senate and chambers. They simply expressed satisfaction at Dreyfus' dignified denunciation of Rocheffort's statement, and said they expect that an investigation will be granted. Rocheffort, accused of having raised a rumpus, talks hotly about traitors, and declares that Dreyfus' letter is a bluff.

FEELING OF INSECURITY GROWING

Probability of Further Trouble in China—Fighting is Frequent—Chinese Will Not Permit of Execution of Any Person of Royal Blood—Policing Pekin's Vicinage.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Herald from Pekin says: The last two days have witnessed frequent hostile meetings by Chinese bands and allied troops. Germans, French and Japanese report small losses.

The Russian commander, Gen. Linévitch, is at Pekin, and he has held a long conference with Gen. Chaffee.

In the German district of Pe Chi Li province there are frequent collisions with the villagers.

The feeling of insecurity is growing.

CHINESE OBJECT TO TERMS.

Shanghai, Dec. 28.—The Chinese newspapers here object to the proposed peace terms. The Universal Gazette considers that the princes and officials who are to be punished should be named.

It is questionable whether Gen. Tung Fu Hsiang is included among those punishable and so far as Prince Tuan is concerned, it is well known that the Chinese peace commissioners have been instructed not to consent to any punishment of a person of royal blood exceeding imprisonment.

Some of the native journals hold that the presence of permanent legation

guards will render the emperor's return impossible, because these would be a menace to the court. "China," says one of them, "would be powerless to suppress risings because prohibited from increasing her military strength, and the powers, therefore, would renew hostilities and the people be moved down like hemp."

GOVERNMENT AROUND PEKIN.

London, Dec. 28.—The proclamation announcing the division of the country around Pekin, Pao Ting Fu and Yen Tsin, into districts placed severally under the control of the different military commanders, has been posted, according to a dispatch to the Morning Post from Pekin, dated Dec. 26, in the German section only. It recognizes the Chinese military and civil governments, but makes no reference to Count Von Waldersee.

"Germany's action," says the correspondent, "is arrested. She, formerly so severe, now recognizes Chinese authority."

The largest districts, the dispatch points out, have been allotted to the British, German and French troops.

"It is announced from Sian Pu," says the Shanghai correspondent of the Standard, "that Emperor Kwang Su has selected Gen. Ma Yu Kun to command the advanced body guard when the court proceeds to Pekin."

FALL SEVENTY FEET OVER A CLIFF

Terrific Accident to a Colorado Stage and Six Passengers—One Lady Passenger May Die—Others Escape With More or Less Severe Injuries.

Ouray, Colo., Dec. 28.—In a runaway accident about three miles above the city the Red Mountain stage was overturned and six passengers precipitated over a cliff about seventy feet in height. Mrs. R. S. Hickey, a passenger on the

coach, received serious and perhaps fatal injuries. The driver, John Bates, sustained a compound fracture of the right leg and many had body bruises. Other passengers were more or less injured.

APPAIRS WITH THE GERMANS.

Plenty of Warships—Other Matters in Germany.

Berlin, Dec. 27.—The Berliner Post, summarizing Germany's naval progress this year, says that seven vessels have been launched, including two battleships, one large cruiser and four small cruisers.

The paper also calls attention to the "unprecedented activity in the building of war ships," six of which are now in

process of construction, including four battleships, one large cruiser and one gunboat.

The school ship Stein will be fitted out to replace the Gneisenau, which recently foundered off Malaga harbor. The boys who were saved from the wreck are expected to arrive next week at Wilhelmshaven and to go aboard the Stein.

Emperor William will go to Hamburg January 3, to inspect the Hamburg-American liner Princess Victoria Louise, prior to her excursion to the West

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