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Father's court, that they would be released. He said they were acting in good faith and had papers from Washington that gave them the right to establish their old government.

As to all the talk of killing whites, he said it was never their intention, and they expected only to treat and act with their own people, and in so doing expected finally to get all whites out.

He also said that the "Great Spirit" would see that they were not deceived, and that their white father in Washington and the oil syndicates were trying to rob them of their once happy hunting grounds.

Rev. John Keller Shot.

New York, Feb. 3.—Rev. John Keller, secretary of the Rev. Bishop Stockton of Trinity Episcopal church mission in Arlington, N. J., and chaplain of the First New Jersey regiment, was shot and seriously wounded by Thomas B. Barker, in Arlington this morning.

The shooting, it is said, was a result of a disclosure made by Barker's wife, although Keller denies the accusation made against him. Barker, after the shooting, surrendered to the police and was locked up.

According to the story told by Barker to several friends after the shooting, his wife last night told him that the illness from which she had suffered for nearly a year was due to an assault committed on her at her home by Rev. Mr. Keller. The assault, it is alleged, was committed after a hard struggle, during which Mrs. Barker became unconscious. Barker has for many years been in the employ of the Commercial Cable company. Rev. Mr. Keller is about 38 years old and a native of Philadelphia.

MRS. NATION, THE SMASHER

A Plot Discovered in Topeka to Tar and Feather the Lady.

The Report Frightened the Kansas Hatcher Welder and Her Fellow Crusaders.

Topeka, Kan., Feb. 3.—Policeman Luster has reported to City Marshal Stahl a plot on the part of liquor men to tar and feather Mrs. Nation, the joint-smasher. Luster says that a negro tough whom he once befriended gave him the tip. Marshal Stahl is making an investigation.

The report has frightened Mrs. Nation and her sister crusaders, but they declare that they will continue the work of destroying "murder shops."

They met at 9 o'clock this morning at Mrs. Nation's room and held a session of prayer, asking the Lord to protect them from bodily harm in the discharge of what they termed their duty to the community.

Mrs. Nation braved the storm today and made three temperance speeches at the Wesleyan Methodist church in the forenoon, at the Christian church in the afternoon and at the Lowman Hill Methodist church in the evening.

A recruiting office for the Topeka league, Kansas division, Carrie Nation's army, has been opened. About 300 "soldiers" have signed the roll, mostly women.

The program of the defendants is to march down Kansas avenue at 2 p.m. tomorrow with drums beating and flags flying, and hold prayer meetings in front of every joint. Mrs. Nation says that it was the intention of the home defenders to smash joints tomorrow, but this feature of the crusade may be postponed for a day to enable the secret service agents to inquire into the story that armed men are guarding the joints.

Mrs. Nation says she does not mind a shotgun, but she does not want to lead other women to their deaths.

It is said that Mrs. Nation receives more mail than any bank in Topeka. Many of the letters contain money, and it is said that Mrs. Nation already has put aside \$500 to help carry on the prohibition crusade here.

EMBEZZLER NEELY'S BOND.

Military Government of Cuba Wishes to Cash One.

Havana, Feb. 3.—The military government will demand a cash bond from C. F. W. Neely, the alleged defaulter. What the amount will be has not been stated as Neely's lawyer absolutely refused to deposit cash, fearing that it will be seized.

The charges will aggregate an embezzlement of over \$100,000, with the possibility of the amount being materially increased. The judge of the court of first instance is inclined to hold that Neely is guilty of stealing surcharged stamps to the amount of \$200,000, and as the question of bail at present rests with him, the cash to be deposited would exceed that figure.

The special counsel for the government are confident of convicting Neely apart from the stamp-burning incident. W. H. Reeves, who will probably be the star witness for the government, and who has been undergoing almost daily examinations by the post-office inspectors for a month, asserted today that the whole matter of Neely's alleged stealing was revealed, under promise of immunity.

A Bad Mexican Arrested.

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 4.—A Mexican named Alivitas has been arrested at Clifton, charged with being implicated in the murder of a merchant at Isleta, Texas. A warrant was also in an attempt to wreck a Southern Pacific train near El Paso.

EVANGELICAL MOVEMENT.

Buen Camino's Protestant Meeting Lightly Attended.

LESS THAN FOUR HUNDRED

No Attempt to Commit Meeting to Protestantism. Priests Are Compared to White Ants.

Manila, Feb. 4.—Fewer than 400 persons attended the meeting called by Senor Buen Camino at the Rizal theater in the Tondo ward of Manila, to inaugurate the "evangelical movement."

Considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings and there were some expressions of approval of the addresses.

No attempt, however, was made to commit the meeting to Protestantism, that aspect of the case being left for subsequent action at his discretion to Rev. James B. Rogers, a missionary of the Presbyterian board, who was present.

Senor Buen Camino explained that religious effort was wholly outside the Federal party, which had been organized solely to promote political policy.

The first mild applause occurred when he compared the priests to "white ants," which eat the substance and leave nothing of value.

Senor Buen Camino argued in favor of supplanting the present priests with Filipinos having the privilege of marrying. Gradually he led up to Protestant ideas, and asked whether they were any longer to submit to the authority of a pope or an archbishop.

Some shouted "No," but others remained silent.

A Methodist minister baptized a hundred Filipinos at Malibay, about four miles from Manila. Rev. Mr. Proutch has secured scores of signatures in a neighboring village to a declaration in favor of handing the church over to Protestant worship and debaring German Catholics.

Blown Up With Nitro-Glycerine.

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 3.—By an explosion of 700 quarts of nitro-glycerine at the magazine of the Gas Belt Torpedo company, four miles northeast of Alexandria today, Percy Forti, a carrier for the company, with his team of horses, the wagon and the magazine, were blown to atoms, not a vestige of them having since been found. A hole fifteen feet deep and forty feet wide was left where the magazine formerly stood.

Alexandra Made a German Colonel

London, Feb. 4.—The Times this morning says it is informed that the kaiser has appointed Queen Alexandra to be honorary colonel of the Prussian regiment of dragoons, of which the late queen was honorary colonel. Previous reports have said that the appointment had been conferred upon King Edward.

Big Storm in Arizona.

Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 4.—The value of the great snow and rain storm which has prevailed in northern Arizona in the past three days must be measured by millions of dollars. The snow fall was the heaviest known for years and will furnish enough water in this valley, even if no more rain falls for a month. It will greatly aid the mining industry, besides being of incalculable value to sheep and cattle raisers.

COLORADO COAL STRIKE.

Prest, Gehr Thinks Matters Will Be Settled in a Few Days.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Feb. 4.—John H. Prest, president of the Colorado district of the United Mine Workers of America, speaking of the strike of coal miners in this state, said:

"I think everything will be fixed up all right within the next few days, both in Colorado and New Mexico. The trouble heretofore has been that the mine owners considered us their natural enemies. The late trouble has been the means of bringing together miners and operators."

Mr. Gehr referred to the situation in Huertano county as the worst in any part of the United States.

CANADIAN TELEGRAPHS.

Government Takes Steps to Purchase All the Systems.

New York, Feb. 4.—A special to the Herald from Toronto says:

The Dominion government has practically taken steps to purchase the telegraph systems of Canada, extend them enormously and operate them in connection with the postoffice department. It is also seriously proposed to follow a similar course with the telephone, but in the case of the latter

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THE ROOT OF THE MATTER.

He Cured Himself of Serious Stomach Trouble Down to First Principles.

A man of large affairs in one of our prominent eastern cities by too close attention to business too little exercise and too many club dinners, finally began to pay nature's tax, levied in the form of chronic stomach trouble.

Failure of his digestion brought about a nervous irritability making it impossible to apply himself to his daily business and finally deranging the kidneys and heart.

In his own words he says: "I consulted one physician after another and each one seemed to understand my case, but all the same they failed to bring about the return of my former digestion, appetite and vigor. For two years I went from pillar to post, from one sanitarium to another, I gave up smoking, I quit coffee and even renounced my daily glass or two of beer, but without any marked improvement."

"Friends had often advised me to try a well known proprietary medicine, Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets and I had often pressed the newspaper advertisements of the remedy but never took any stock in advertised medicines nor could believe a fifty-cent patent medicine would touch my case."

"To make a long story short I finally bought a couple of packages at the nearest drug store and took one or two tablets after each meal and occasionally a tablet between meals, when I felt any feeling of nausea or discomfort."

"I was surprised at the end of the first week to note a marked improvement in my appetite and general health and before the two packages were gone I was certain that Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets were going to cure completely and they did not disappoint me. I can eat and sleep and enjoy my coffee and cigar and no one would suppose I had ever known the horrors of dyspepsia."

"Out of friendly curiosity I wrote to the proprietors of the remedy asking for information as to what the tablets contained and they replied that the principal ingredients were aseptic pepsin (government test) malt diastase and other natural digestives, which digest food regardless of the condition of the stomach."

"The root of the matter is this, the digestive elements contained in Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will digest the food, give the overworked stomach a chance to recuperate and the nerves and whole system receive the nourishment which can only come from food; stimulants and nerve tonics never give real strength, they only give a false strength, invariably followed by reaction, a drop of blood, every nerve and tissue is manufactured from our daily food, and if you can insure its prompt action and good digestion by the regular use of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, you will have no need of nerve tonics and stimulants."

Although Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have been in the market only a few years yet probably every druggist in the United States, Canada and Great Britain now stocks them and consider them the most popular and successful of any preparation for stomach troubles.

municipalities will be licensed, as in Great Britain, to operate the system within their own area.

The question of the absolute control of the Canadian telegraphic service has long been discussed, but not until the present liberal government came into office has it been possible to talk purchase. With a surplus of \$1,000,000, the plan seems feasible.

The great desire of Canadian statesmen is to see cables owned by Great Britain under the Atlantic and Pacific joined at each ocean to wires owned by the Dominion, crossing this country, by a cable practically girdling the globe and absolutely under imperial control. The business men of Canada are unanimously in favor of the scheme.

JAPANESE OIL WELLS.

Owners Form a Company to Compete with the Standard.

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 4.—The steamship line of life brings news that the owners of Japanese oil wells are organizing a strong company to compete with the company formed by the Standard Oil company to develop the Echigo oil fields. The opposition company has secured wells known to have been productive for the past four or five years. These give it possession of 4,000 acres in the oil district.

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"3. Because it facilitates the exportation of gold. By making the principal medium of exchange used by the people redeemable in gold, it becomes much easier for the exporter of gold to gather up obligations payable in that metal, and present them to the treasury for exchange. No other nation on earth facilitates the export of gold. The scramble of the European nations at the present time for gold demonstrates the necessity for legislation discouraging instead of encouraging the exportation of that metal."

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strike down one of its own important industries?"

"5. Because it will depress the prices of all commodities and property. This measure will make gold do all the work of basic money now done by both gold and silver. We cannot thus increase the burdens upon gold without increasing the demand for the same. The increase in the world's production of gold is not sufficient to displace the silver stocks in existence. Statistics show that more than 50 per cent of the gold product is used in the arts or lost to commerce, which leaves only about \$150,000,000 a year to supply the needs of all Christendom. That is less than 3 per cent of the gold stocks of the world, and is no more than the legitimate requirements of an increasing commodity."

"6. It is impossible for silver dollars to go to a discount as long as they are limited in number as now provided by law, and hence there is no necessity for this legislation. As it is impossible for silver dollars to be hoarded by law to depreciate in value, why should we run the hazards of making increased burdens upon the gold reserve, of creating a new endless chain upon the treasury, of facilitating exports of gold, of annihilating silver and silver certificates as money, and of producing an era of falling prices?"

FOUR HUNDRED SICK SOLDIERS.

Maj. Penrose, Medical Corps, a Patient in Hospital.

San Francisco, Feb. 4.—The 464 sick soldiers who came from Manila on the transport Warren were landed at the Presidio general hospital. The general majority are in a convalescent condition.

Two hundred were entered at the hospital and the balance transferred to the post authorities to be mustered out in a few days. Maj. Penrose of the medical corps was a passenger on the Warren, and is now a patient at the hospital.

Col. A. S. Daggett, of the Fourteenth infantry, also arrived on a short leave of absence. His regiment has the distinction of being the first to scale the walls of Peking and his regimental flag were the first colors planted on the "Walled City." When the Warren was leaving Manila on December 30th, one of the assistant engineers mismaneuvered a steam launch, and the result was that the British steamer Mogul was struck and considerably injured. The engineer was disgraced.

Burglars Raid Ministers' Residences

Tacoma, Wash., Feb. 4.—Burglars yesterday raided the houses of four ministers securing about \$100 in cash and several gold watches. Three other residences were also entered but it is not known what amount of booty was secured. The gang is said to be composed of high class cracksmen from Minneapolis and Chicago.

ANARCHIST CALGAGNO.

He Leaves Paterson for Europe to Kill the Italian King.

Paris, Feb. 4.—Le Rappel publishes a dispatch from Rome saying: Agents of the Italian detective department in the United States report that Calgagno, the anarchist, has left for Europe to make an attempt on the life of King Victor Emmanuel, and that he is acting under the orders of the Paterson anarchists. The Italian police are watching the ports and frontier stations.

CO-OPERATION IN CONNECTICUT

Scheme is to Pay Municipal Debts by Insuring Citizens' Lives.

Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 4.—A plan has been proposed to establish certain financial institutions here on a basis of co-operation. It involves the raising of \$6,000,000. Forty thousand citizens are expected to find the money, each taking \$150 worth of stock. Six corporations are to be chartered. Of the \$15 subscribed by each, \$5 will form a deposit in the savings bank, one of the corporations, while the remainder will pay for one share in each of the other five companies. With the scheme is a proposition to pay the debts of the municipality by insuring the lives of prominent citizens. The city will pay the premiums and be the beneficiary. Several residents have agreed to take out policies if the scheme goes through.

BOERS TAKE MODDERSFONTEIN.

London, Feb. 4.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener, commander-in-chief in South Africa:

"Pretoria, Feb. 2.—Our post at Moddersfontein, on the Gattard, south-east of Krugersdorp, was attacked by 1,000 Boers. The relief column sent out from Krugersdorp failed to prevent the fall of the post."

"No details yet at hand, but officers and men captured at the post are arriving at Vereeniging."

Lourenço Marques, Feb. 3.—There is a commando of 2,000 Boers on Portuguese territory. It is supposed that their intention is to rescue the Boers here. The Portuguese authorities have decided to remove to Matidia such Boer refugees as decline to surrender to the British.

Rioemfontein, Feb. 3.—The British have recaptured Petersburg.

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