

month it is stated there will be no great progress, as the Cubans do not intend to assume the aggressive. Early in June, the opening of the rainy season, the Spanish troops not acclimated will be exposed to the elements, and yellow fever is relied upon to kill more troops than the Cubans might with rifles.

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., March 22.—James Howard, turnkey of the Kansas state prison, was tomahawked last night by an Indian convict serving a sentence for murder, who had been working with a hatchet. The Indian sank the blade in Howard's skull, inflicting a fatal wound.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Nothing has been heard officially at the state department of a reported sentence by a French court martial in Madagascar of ex-United States Consul Waller to twenty years' imprisonment for correspondence with the Hovas. If the circumstances are as reported, it is probable our government will enter an energetic protest against the arbitrary action of the French authorities.

Waller is a citizen of the United States and the officials here cannot conceive by what authority the French court martial attempted to assert jurisdiction over an American citizen not actively engaged in hostilities against them. Waller, who is from Kansas, was consul at Tamatave during the Harrison administration.

It is well known here the French concessionaries in Madagascar have been doing their utmost to prevent him from enjoying the fruits of the valuable concessions he obtained from the Hova government by good management. As far as the government is aware the French protectorate over Madagascar is limited strictly to the regulation of the foreign intercourse of the Hova government and the right of the latter to control its internal affairs, including the granting of concessions to individuals, has never been questioned before. As to the charge against Waller, that he has been in correspondence with the Hovas, officials here assert that he has a perfect right to do so. Moreover, they fail to see why Waller should not be given the benefit of a fair trial by civil courts. The U. S. S. Castine is now on its way to Madagascar to look after the American interests, having arrived at Ismaïla in the Suez canal today.

BERLIN, March 23.—The Reichstag today by a vote of 163 to 146 rejected a proposal of the president, Herr Voh Levelow, that the house congratulate Prince Bismarck upon his birthday, whereupon Herr Voh Levelow, amid vociferous cheering from the members of the right, announced that he resigned the presidency.

SIMONOSAKI, March 24.—As Li Hung Chang, the Chinese peace envoy, was returning to his lodgings in this place today, after having attended a conference with Count Ito and Viscount Matsui, the Japanese peace plenipotentiaries, a young Japanese fired a pistol at him.

The bullet sped straight, but most fortunately did no more harm than to inflict a wound in Li Hung Chang's face. At the time of sending this dispatch it is impossible to learn whether or not the wound is serious.

The attempt to assassinate the representative of the emperor of China caused the most intense excitement, and on every side there were expressions of deep regret. The would-be murderer was arrested. It is believed that he was prompted to the crime by misguided patriotism.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 24.—A special to the *Tribune* from Winnipeg, Man., says: Manitoba and the Canadian northwest has reached a crisis in its history, and the storm which has been hovering over the country so long is likely to break before long. It is a war so bitter that it may wreck the confederation of the Dominion. The Catholics are fighting for their parochial schools with firm determination, while the Protestant majority, with equal resolution, declare the parochial schools, recently abolished by the act of the Manitoba legislature, shall never be re-established. The excitement is intense. The Orangemen are taking a hand in the struggle.

GUTHRIE, Ok., March 25.—Dr. Charles Smith has received a letter from the territorial board of health asking him to watch all trains and quarantine against Hot Springs, small-pox having been brought to Oklahoma by people from that place. One case of smallpox and several suspects are reported at Norman.

LONDON, March 25.—A special to the *Standard* from Rome says that earthquakes were felt Saturday at Leghorn, Florence, Venice and Ravenna. In the last two towns a number of buildings were damaged and the people were panic stricken.

YOKOHAMA, March 25.—Resolutions have been submitted to the Japanese diet regretting the attack upon Viceroy Li Hung Chang, who was shot and wounded in the face yesterday, at Simonsaki.

The bullet is not extracted from the face of Li Hung Chang, but his condition is favorable. He has no fever, and is suffering but little pain. His assailant, described as a political bravo, rushed from the crowd when the viceroy's palanquin was passing, and fired at the Chinese statesman. The bullet entered the viceroy's left cheek. The affair has caused the greatest indignation here.

GLASGOW, March 25.—The British steamer Belfast, ashore on Iona Island off the coast of Scotland, will prove a total wreck. Eighteen of the crew reported by the steamer Durham City as missing have been landed at Colonsay island.

DELAWARE, Ohio, March 25.—A tornado visited the city and surrounding section last night at midnight, unroofing houses, uprooting trees and demolishing fences. The business block of W. E. Kruck, on Sandusky street, suffered most. Several people were injured, but none fatally.

NEW YORK, March 26.—A special to the *Press* from Washington says: According to a private cablegram from Tokio received by a member of the Japanese legation here, a German physician, an expert of high standing, was sent yesterday at the personal request of the mikado to examine Li Hung Chang's wound. After a thorough examination of his distinguished patient, the physician reported confidentially to the mikado that Li Hung Chang must die. The wound is in the

face, and the bullet, which the surgeon had not succeeded in extracting yesterday is apparently beyond reach. Moreover Li Hung Chang is 70 years of age and although a giant physically, his years are against him.

SIMONOSAKI, March 26.—The condition of Li Hung Chang is favorable. It is reported that he has now consented to the extraction of the bullet in his face. His only fear was a lack of cleanliness on the part of his physicians in using old instruments.

FOR PROHIBITION.

The NEWS has been requested to give space and publicity to the following, which explains itself:

The ladies whose names appear below, comprising a committee to secure signatures to the following petition—recognizing the saloon as the greatest enemy of the home—earnestly urge our sisters to sign the same and thus lend their influence towards the destruction of the terrible evil; and beg that their sisters throughout our Territory put out this petition and circulate it in their respective communities for signatures. As early as possible send the petitions signed to Mrs. W. H. Tibbals, 342 Seventh East street, Salt Lake City, Utah.

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DR. ELLEN B. FERGUSON,
MARY A. FREEZE,
MARY A. PARSONS,
MRS. M. ISABELLA HORNE,
MRS. G. S. PEYTON.

The undersigned, women over eighteen years of age, residents of the Territory of Utah, respectfully pray your honorable body to submit to the legal voters at the same election at which the proposed Constitution is submitted, the following proposed article, as a separate article, to-wit:

ARTICLE—PROHIBITION.

To be submitted to a separate vote of the people as provided by the schedule and ordinance.

Sec. —. No person, association or corporation shall, within this State, manufacture for sale or gift as a beverage, any intoxicating liquors, and no person, association or corporation shall import any of the same for sale or gift, or sell or offer or keep the same for sale, or gift, barter or trade as a beverage.

The Legislative Assembly shall by law prescribe regulations for the enforcement of the provisions of this article and shall thereby provide suitable penalties for the violation thereof.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

CARD.

I observe that many of our sisters are signing petitions and presenting them to the Utah Constitutional Convention asking that honorable body to submit the question of prohibiting the liquor traffic to the votes of the people.

I question the wisdom of such a step, in view of the effort that is being made to obtain woman suffrage.

We should confine our efforts strictly to obtaining woman's suffrage, the object of our efforts for so many years.

ZINA D. H. YOUNG,
President Woman's National Relief Association.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 22d, 1895.