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THE MESSAGE READ

Congress Receives the President's Annual Address.

ALGER TAKES THE OATH IN SENATE

Senator Cullom Introduces an Antitrust Bill and Representative Hull a Measure Creating General Staff Corps For Army.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.-Interest in the session of the senate yesterday was heightened by the fact that the resident's message to congress would we read and also that General Russell . Alger of Michigan, former secretary ; war under President McKinley, yould be sworn in to fill the vacancy aused by the death of Senator Me-Illian.

One hour and fifteen minutes were consumed in reading the president's message. Almost the entire Republican representation were in their sents, but not more than half the scats on the Democratic side were occupied. The closest attention was paid to the message as it was being read.

A number of bills and resolutions were introduced, following a brief executive session. The resignation of the Rev. W. H. Milburn, the blind chaplain of the senate, was received with genuine regret. He had become a familiar figure in the body and was personally acquainted with every senator. No action was taken on the res-Ignation.

At 1:50 p. m. the senate adjourned but of respect to the memory of the Inte Charles A. Russell, representative from Connecticut.

The house was in session an hour and forty minutes. One hour of that time was consumed in reading the president's message. The reading was listened to with attention by members without regard to party, but without demonstration, except at the conclusion of the reading, when the Republicans applauded generously. Mr. Cannon, chairman of the committee on appropriations, gave notice that the bill to defray the expenses of the coal strike commission would be called up today. The deaths of the late Representatives De Graffenreid and Sheppard (Tex.), which occurred during the recess, were announced, and after adopting the customary resolutions of regret the house adjourned as a further mark of respect to their memories.

There appears to be no doubt that the president is determined to force the consideration of antitrust measures at this session of congress. The introluction of a bill aimed at trusts by ienator Cullom and the reference of untitrust legislation in the house to a ubcommittee of the committee on judiclary, of which Representative Litdefield (Me.) is chairman, shows that .he influence of the president is paramount at the start.

The Cullom antitrust bill authorizes the attorney general or any district attorney to make application to the federal judges for the summoning of persons before them to answer questions as to material violations of the antitrust law in advance of the trial of a case and requires the judges to issue orders for the appearance of such persons upon this application. In such cases witnesses are to be protected against prosecution on account of their revelation, but they are to be deprived of the right to refuse to answer because of self crimination. Annual reports are required to be made by all persons, firms or corporations engaging in interstate commerce. They are to be filed with the interstate commerce commission, and they are to be subject to the scrutiny of the attorney general, but not for the general public. Representative Hull, chairman of the house committee on military affairs, introduced a bill creating a general staff corps of the United States army. It provides that the staff be composed of officers detailed from the army at large under such rules as the president may prescribe. The proposed duties of the staff are to prepare plans for the national defense and for the mobilization of the military forces in time of war, to investigate and report on all questions affecting the efficiency of the army and its state of preparedness for military operations, to render professional aid to the secretary of war and to the general officers and other superior commanders and to act as their agents in informing and co-ordinating action of all the different officers in carrying out their orders.

Judge Robert Earl Passes Away at His Herkimer Home.

NOTED JURIST DEAD.

UTICA, N. Y., Dec. 3.-Robert Earl, former judge of the court of appeals, is dead at his home in Herkimer. He was stricken with paralysis on the evening of Nov. 22 and has not since rallied. Judge Earl was born in Herkimer Sept. 10, 1824. He graduated from Union college in 1845 and from that college and also Columbia received the degree of LL. D. He was admitted to the bar in 1848, was elected county judge in 1855 and served two terms. In 1869 he was elected to the court of appeals bench, where he remained until compelled to retire because of the age limit in 1804. Though a Democrat, he received the nomination from both par-

ties at the time of his last election. Several years ago Judge Earl founded the Herkimer Free library by giving his magnificent home in that village to be used for that purpose. Mrs. Earl died four years ago, and there are no children. He was for a long time presiding justice of the court of appeals, and attorneys all over the state considered him one of the greatest jurists of the last half century.

EX-SPEAKER REED ILL.

Suffers a Sudden Attack of Gastritis In Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.-Ex-Speaker Thomas B. Reed had a sudden and quite severe attack of gastritis last evening. He was prostrated for a time. but Dr. Gardner, who was called in, succeeded in relieving his patient.

The sudden illness of the ex-speaker caused considerable alarm to his friends, but at a late hour Mr. Reed was getting on better than had been feared earlier in the evening. At 10:45 o'clock Dr. Gardner made the following statement:

"Mr. Reed had an attack of acute gastritis this evening about 6 o'clock and is resting very quietly now."

COLOMBIA OUSTS CONCHA.

Retirement of the Minister Belleved to Favor Canal Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 .- Senor Concha has been relieved as minister for Colombia by orders from Bogota, and it is believed that Dr. Thomas Herran, the present secretary of legation here, will be accredited minister to succeed Senor Concha in the course of a few days.

Meanwhile Dr. Herran has been clotked by his government with full authority to prosecute the negotiations looking to a canal treaty with considerably enlarged powers.

Odell Favors Lake Canal Route. ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 1.-Governor Odell proposes to have a 1,000 ton barge

canal and yet save the state \$20,000,-000. He will take energetic means to follow out the lines of the Republican platform as regards canal improvement with sixty men, has completed a march and will commit himself to a barge canal as requested by canal advocates in the state; but it may be said on excellent authority that he is of the opinion that every advantage claimed for an \$\$0,000,000 barge canal can be fully obtained at an expenditure not to exceed \$55,000,000 or \$60,00,000. In other words, the governor is in favor, it is said, of what is known as the lake route, which State Engineer and Surveyor Bond after an exhaustive examination decided could be built for \$42,-198,756, making a total when the other two canals are improved of about \$60,-000,000.

TO TRY GLENN AGAIN

Major Must Answer to Cruelty Charges Second Time.

SO ORDERED FROM WASHINGTON.

Action In the Samar Campaign to Be Investigated-He Is Said to Have Ordered Execution of Mislending Native Guides.

MANILA, Dec. 3 .- Orders have been received from Washington directing that Major Edward F. Glenn of the Fifth infantry shall be put on trial a second time for alleged cruelty committed during the Samar campaign. Major Glenn is charged with having ordered the execution of several native guides for misleading the American column sent against the enemy's strong-

hold Major Glenn himself reported the incident, which has been the subject of an extensive inquiry for several months past. Major General Chaffee ordered two investigations to be made by Inspectors General Colmore and Major Watts, who made inquiries. General Chaffee forwarded their reports to Secretary Root before he relinquished his command and without making any recommendation. Secretary Root now orders General Davis to formulate the charges against Major Glenn and convene a court martial.

Major Glenn is now commanding a post at Bayambang, district of Pangasinan, Luzon, and he has been ordered to hold himself in readiness to appear here for trial. It is expected that the trial will reopen the entire question of the Samar campaign and consume some time. It is said that Mafor Glenn will inform the court that he desires Major General Chaffee and Brigadier General Jacob Smith to be called as witnesses, but it is possible that their depositions will be taken in-

stead. The price of rice has been broken, and the native operators have insured the supply of this foodstuff at reasonable rates. The Philippine commission, when a rice famine was threatened at the beginning of November, appropriated \$2,000,000 Mexican and quietly purchased upward of 20,000 tons of rice in India and on the Asiatic coast to be sold to the sufferers at a cash price which it was thought would cover just the cost. The plans of the commission were concealed in order to prevent possible combinations on the part of operators with the view of raising prices. Its action broke the prices. The government may lose money on its purchase, but it is satisfied in having provided for the sale of rice to the people at a low figure.

Pershing Crossed Mindanao,

MANILA, Dec. 1.-Captain Pershing, across the island of Mindanao from Camp Vicars to Yligan. This is possibly the first time that white men have ever made the journey. Captain Pershing visited the villages of Madaya and Marahui. On his way to Madaya he found the Moros were surprised to learn that Americans were not monsters ten feet tall, with horns and tails. At Marahui he addressed 500 Moros, telling them of the friendly purposes of the Americans,

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and Tersely Told.

In Nebraska and Wyoming. Severe storms, causing several shipwrecks, raged on the British coast.

Destructive windstorms swept over portions of Mississippi, Alabama and Tennessee.

The French deputies have voted \$30,-000 for the educational and fine arts exhibits at the St. Louis fair.

Walter Morchead has asked for an inventory of the estate of the late Collis P. Huntington in proceedings to recover \$123,000,000.

Mrs. Jennie Leys has got a verdict of \$100,000 damages for the death of her husband, who was killed in the Park avenue tunnel disaster in New York city.

Tuesday, Dec. 2. The Korean cabinet has resigned.

Snow four feet deep was reported in the mountains of Pennsylvania.

Admiral Dewey and staff sailed in the Mayflower for Culebra island.

One woman was killed and another fatally wounded by an unknown man in Pittsburg. The merger of the Sharon and Union

Steel companies, capital \$ 40,000,000, became operative.

Monday, Dec. 1. West Point defeated Annapolis at

Philadelphia by a score of 22 to 8. Severe punishment has been inflicted by a British expedition upon the tur-

bulent Waziris on the Indian border. Coneral Schulkhurger and Messre Wessels and Wolmarans, former Boer delegates, sailed from England for

South Africa. An unconfirmed report says that 1,000 deaths have resulted from a smallpox scourge in the Furni islands, Greek archipelago,

The Mad Mollah of Somaliland has sent into the British camp a train of supply camels captured from the British, with a defiant message. The shipping strike at Marseilles was reported to be spreading, and many

steamers lie idle at the docks. Govern-

ment war vessels are carrying the mails to neighboring points. Saturday, Nov. 29. The Michigan supreme court has de-

clared the state inheritance tax law unconstitutional. A St. Louis filer on the Big Four

road was wrecked near Avon, Ind. Many persons were injured. The honorary degree of doctor of

laws was conferred upon Professor Adolf Lorenz, the noted Vienna physician, by the Northwestern university, Chicago.

Friday, Nov. 28. fever epidemic is killing people by the score in the interior of Colombia.

The Union Pacific storehouse in Omaha has been burned; loss, \$175,-000. A Utah syndicate has spent \$21,000,-000 for a Mexican ranch 159 miles

long. General Manning's flying column has relieved the garrison at Bohotle, Somaliland.

Benider Kabyles have been reported in revolt again in Morocco. Tetuan has surrendered. Secretary Wilson has placed an em-

bargo on New England cattle be-



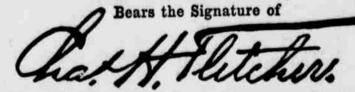
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Opening Day In Congress.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 .- The senate was in session twelve minutes the first day of the session, an adjournment at once being taken out of respect to the memory of the late Senator James McMillan, who died during the recess. Rarely has the historic chamber presented such an appearance. The custom of placing flowers on the desks of senators on the opening day of a session is one which long has been followed, but the display yesterday was admittedly the most magnificent of any that heretofore have been seen. Many of the senators were early on the floor and were kept busy exchanging greetings with old acquaintances.

The opening of the Fifty-seventh congress in the house was, as usual, a spectacular event. The galleries of the freshly decorated hall were packed to the doors with people prominent in society and politics, and the flower show on the floor, although not as elaborate as"usual, filled the chamber with perfume and added grace and beauty to the scene. The members were good natured and jovial, and there was no outcropping of partisan feeling. Speaker Henderson received a cordial reception as he assumed the gavel, but beyond this there was no demonstration.

Dr. Joseph Parker Dead.

LONDON, Nov. 29 .- Dr. Joseph Parker, minister of the City temple, who had been seriously ill for some time past, is dead. For over thirty-two years Dr. Parker ministered to the congregation of the City temple. Few pulpit orators were more eloquent, more outspoken or more fearless than he. Neither rank nor money had any influence with him, and if he thought a prominent man was following a wrong course of conduct he would denounce him bitterly. Among those so denounced by him were King Edward and the sultan of Turkey.

Herr Krupp Exoperated.

ROME, Nov. 28 .- An inquiry instituted into the scandals concerning the late Herr Krupp at Capri island is said to have completely cleared the deceased's character, and it has been decided that the government will prosccute the newspapers which made the defematory statement. It is stated that the accusations against Herr Krupp have been traced to a German painter resident in Capri, whose arrest was ordered, but he disappeared.

Three Boys Killed While Hunting. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Nov. 20.-Har-

old H. Merrick, aged fourteen, a high school student of this city, accidentally shot and killed himself while hunting near Wolcott, Kan. James Gist, aged fourteen, was shot and killed at Oxford, Kan., by his brother while they were hunting. The fourteen-yearold son of H. N. Boyd of Belleville, Kan., was killed while hunting, his gun being discharged while he was pulling it through a fence.

November a Record Month.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.-The month just closed was exceptionally warm and especially east of the Mississippi, where the temperature averaged 6 to 10 degrees above the November normal. In some parts of the country, as at Washington, it was the warmest November in the last thirty years. The month was also dry, especially in the northern and northeastern districts.

Will Not Leave Shanghal.

SHANGHAL Dec. 2 .- Another hitch has occurred in the evacuation of this city by the foreign garrisons. The commanders of the German and French troops declare they will not leave before February.

Ten persons were hurt and two se-Bank Cashler Robbed.

BILLINGS, Mont., Dec. 3 .- The bank at Bridger, in Carbon county, was entered by three masked men during the day, and Cashier Trumbo was relieved of \$2,000. Immediately after the robbery the men left on horseback for the Crow reservation. A pursuing party has been organized. The scene of the robbery is in the vicinity of the famous Hole In the Wall country, for years the hiding place of thieves and desperadoes.

Grandson For Senator Clark.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 2 .- A son was born to the wife of W. A. Clark, Jr., last evening, winning the \$1,000,000 gift which Senator W. A. Clark offered to his sons and daughters a year ago for the first grandson presented to him. His youngest daughter, Mrs. Morris, in New York recently gave birth to a daughter. Senator Clark, who is in Paris, has been notified by cable of the arrival of the prize winner.

Dowager Empress Has a Birthday. VICTORIA, B. C., Dec. 3.-Advices received here from Peking say the sixty-eighth birthday of the empress dowager was celebrated with great oclat at Peking on Nov. 9. A newspaper says that as every tenth birthday of the empress has been an unbappy event her seventieth birthday will probably be celebrated next year, a year in advance, in order to prevent overt happenings.

White Caps Not Guilty.

PLYMOUTH, Mass., Dec. 2 .- The jury in the case of the seven citizens of Marion charged with participating in the famous Marion White Cap raid returned a verdict of not guilty for all of them at 1:05 o'clock this morning. The jury retired at 3:17 p. m. yesterday after a charge by Judge Harris which the defendants said satisfied them.

The Erie Must Settle.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.- A jury in the United States circuit court has awarded Mrs. Isabella M. Latelle of Allentown, N. J., a verdict of \$2,000 against the Erie railway for alleged false imprisonment and having ejected her by force from one of its trains.

Copyright With Spain Ratified.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2 .- It is announced at the state department that the international copyright agreement with Spain of 1895 has been restored to full effect by an exchange of diplomatic notes.

cause of disease.

verely injured in a railroad wreck near Greenville, Ill. A Dutch lieutenant and twenty men

were drowned in Sumatra as the result of an attack by Chinese. Siam has by law adopted the gold standard, and her mints have been closed to the free coinage of silver.

The Illinois Central railroad has de cided to start a fast double daily train service between Chicago and New Orleans.

Thursday, Nov. 27.

Herr Krupp was burled at Essen. Emperor William followed the hearse on foot.

The Michigan increased its freight rates on provisions and dressed meats. Other roads will follow

Turkey has ordered sixteen batteries of field guns from the Krupp works and 200,000 Mauser rifles. The Twentleth Century Limited made

101 miles in 100 minutes, breaking the record between Eikhart, Ind., and Chicago.

One person was killed, two fatally hurt and two are missing as the result of the collapse of an iron furnace at Birmingham, Ala.

The Hamburg-American Steamship company has decided to add two steamers to its New York-Mediterranean line for the winter season.

Fourteen Deer Hunters Killed. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 1.-The season for hunting deer in the northern woods has just closed. Fatalities have been unusually frequent in the woods this season, fourteen men having been killed while hunting deer in the states of Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan. At least eleven others have been shot and seriously wounded.

Two Millions For Strikers' Aid. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Nov. 29 .- It was officially announced at the national headquarters of the mine workers that when the miners meet in national convention here in January to prepare a new wage scale Secretary Wilson will report that the amount of money given by them for the strike was more than \$2,000,000.

Fire Destroys Much Sweetness. BROOKVILLE, Ind., Dec. 3 .- The plant of the Brookville Manufacturing company has been destroyed by fire; loss, \$100,000, with insurance of \$52. 000. Three carloads of candy, two carloads of canned goods and \$40,000 worth of glucose and sugar were destroyed.

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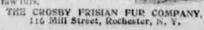
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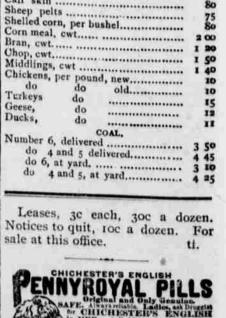




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