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Nothing appears to have been done in regard to establishing the head market for the spice trade at Batavia, and the planters still seem to be dependent on the European market.

Brazilians are great coffee drinkers. Numerous cups are drunk each day by the average man and woman.

Some few years ago the railways of Java were using entirely foreign manufactured rolling stock, but within the last two years locomotives, trucks and passenger cars have been turned out by their own works.

Generally speaking, races living at high altitudes have weaker and more highly pitched voices than those living in regions where the supply of oxygen is more plentiful.

The French government is reported to have bought the famous Farnese palace in Rome with the intention of making it the home of its ambassador and also of the French School of History and Archaeology.

Sound vibrations may be translated into electric impulses by a so-called "vibrochord," recently devised. The electric charge from an induction coil is caused to pulsate in exact unison with the notes from a musical instrument.

The total distance from St. Petersburg to Port Arthur by the Russian trans-Siberian railway and the Russian lines in Manchuria is 5,913 miles, or practically twice the distance from New York to San Francisco.

That smeltless powder has its dangers as well as its advantages is pointed out by a recent medical writer. The gases from it produce very disagreeable symptoms, among which are convulsions, difficulty of breathing, feeble pulse and heart-action, headache, or even loss of consciousness.

According to the latest census, China has a population of 426,447,000. Thus the Chinese empire contains more than a quarter of the inhabitants of the globe.

Emblems who are wedded to their cup of tea are rejoicing in the invention of an automatic teapot. An alarm clock is connected with a spirit lamp and a kettle.

Mount Vernon, Ill., April 30.—Albert Wood, a constable, was killed and Curtis Gregory, another constable, was seriously wounded in a fight in Harrison township.

GOLDEN KEY PRESSED BY ROOSEVELT.

With Prayer and Song and Speeches by Prominent People the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Is Opened to the World.

Hymn of the West. WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS, 1904. The following hymn, written upon invitation of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition management, by Edmund Clarence Stedman, was sung by a chorus of five hundred voices at the opening ceremonies of the Exposition.

St. Louis, April 30.—St. Louis is prepared for the greatest day in her history. To-day at noon her great exposition, upon which the city has lavished millions of money, to which her people have devoted years of their best endeavor, and for which they have labored with infinite patience, was thrown open to the world.



SEC. OF WAR WILLIAM H. TAFT. All of yesterday and last night the people worked with desperate energy to accomplish the thousand and one things that always remain to be done at the last moment.

Representatives of foreign governments met at the hall of congresses at the same hour and timed their parade to the plaza so as to arrive at the same moment the exposition officials marched in from the opposite direction.

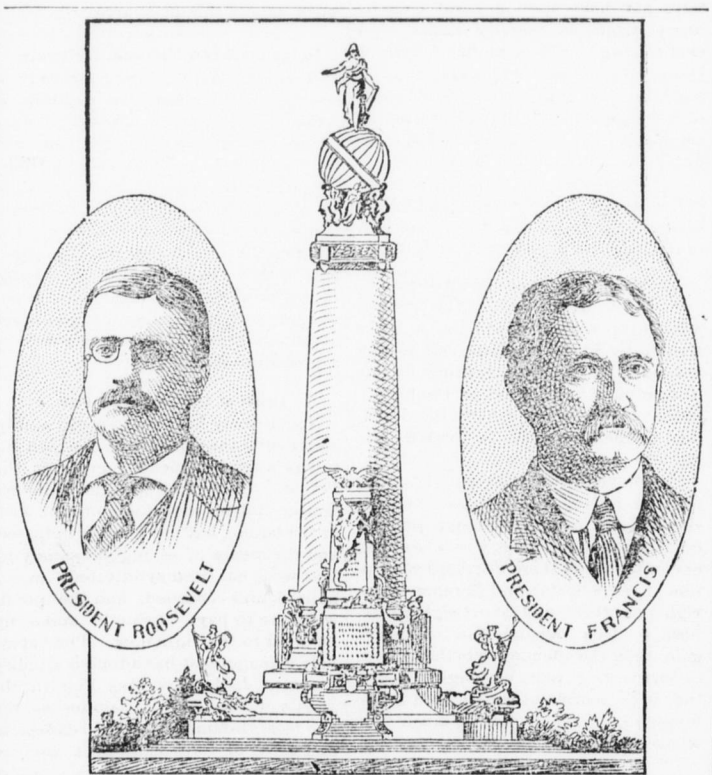
After the gathering was called to order by President Francis, Rev. Frank W. Gunsaulus, of Chicago, delivered the invocation. At the conclusion of the prayer Director of Works Isaac S. Taylor delivered the keys of the buildings to President Francis, who in turn transferred the buildings to Frederick J. V. Skiff, the director of exhibits.

Work of Acid Throver. Wheeling, W. Va., April 30.—Sister Mary Alma, of the community of St. Joseph, who was assaulted by three burly negroes at the Catholic orphanage in Elm Grove, last September, received the contents of a large bottle of carbolic acid, thrown by a tramp, Friday afternoon, and is in a serious condition at St. Joseph's convent.

REPORT OF EXPERTS. Defects in Guns on the Iowa Were Known Before They Burst. Washington, April 30.—The naval board consisting of Capt. Dayton, Commander Fletcher and Lieut. Diefenbach, appointed to investigate the circumstances attending the bursting of two eight-inch guns on the Iowa, February 5, has reported to the secretary that the board find that in the firing of the guns all precautions were taken.

REVIEW OF TRADE. Conservatism Is the Rule in All Branches of Business. New York, April 30.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Business continues to move in most conservative channels.

During the day the United States gunboat Nashville and the torpedo boat destroyer Lawrence, which will represent the navy at the fair, arrived in St. Louis harbor. Although the boats arrived at an hour somewhat unexpected, which caused disarrangements of plans for a more elaborate demonstration by thousands who had planned to go down the river to meet them, the greeting to the craft was nevertheless fitting.



LOUISIANA PURCHASE MONUMENT. The center around which occurred the opening ceremonies of the world's fair, and President Roosevelt and President Francis, who participated prominently in the ceremonies.

A War Cloud in the South. Lima, Peru, April 30.—Alarming cablegrams have been received here from Santiago De Chile, saying that the Chilean government has instructed its minister at Washington to inquire if the United States will defend Peru in case Chile shall proceed forcibly on the question of annexing the provinces of Tacna and Arica, which that country is disposed to do.

A Nice Job for Mr. Dawson. Washington, April 29.—President Roosevelt has appointed Thomas C. Dawson, of Iowa, at present secretary of the United States legation at Rio Janeiro, Brazil, as United States minister to San Domingo.

SESSION IS ENDED.

National Congress Has Finished Its Work.

House Honored Speaker Cannon by the Adoption of a Resolution Thanking Him for His Fair Dealing.

Washington, April 29.—With brief announcement and a sharp rap of his well-worked gavel, President Pretem Frye adjourned the senate sine die at 2 p. m. Thursday, the hour fixed by resolution of the two houses of congress. The occurrence was devoid of unusual incident and the final close of the session was but slightly different from the end of an ordinary day's sitting.

The senate began its day's work at 10:30 a. m., but the greater part of the time was devoted to a political debate, participated in on the republican side by Messrs. Allison and Aldrich, and on the democratic side by Messrs. Gorman and Culberson.

The closing of the second session of the house of the fifty-eighth congress was made notable by the demonstration which was evoked by a resolution offered by Mr. Williams, the minority leader, testifying to the courtesy and impartial manner in which Speaker Cannon had presided over the house.

Many conference reports were agreed to on bills which had been in dispute between the two houses. The only debate of any importance was on the bill providing for the restoration of the naval academy of three cadets who had been dismissed for hazarding the house voting overwhelmingly against it.

Washington, April 29.—The republican and the democratic view of appropriations made by the Fifty-eighth congress were presented to the house yesterday by Chairman Hemenway, of the appropriations committee, and Representative Livingston, of Georgia, the ranking democratic member of that committee.

After reviewing the expenditures for the next fiscal year, Mr. Hemenway concludes: "The expenditures of our government in their aggregate, as exhibited by the appropriations of congress, are large and yet, according to the very best authority, our national government is the most economically administered of any in the civilized world."

The total appropriations made by this congress aggregate, according to Mr. Hemenway, \$781,574,523. Of this sum \$26,801,843 was to pay deficiencies for prior fiscal years and \$56,500,000 is set aside for application to the sinking fund.

TO SCARE HIS WIFE.

A Man Says He Made a False Confession of Murder—The Woman Is Arrested for Bigamy.

Chicago, April 29.—Louis Houston yesterday confessed to the police that he had told his wife he had committed a murder in Liggett, O., and that a man was now serving a life sentence in the Ohio penitentiary for the crime. Houston denies that the story is true, and says he told it to frighten his wife so that she would obey him.

The former Mrs. Houston is now Mrs. Frank Walcott and she is under arrest with her second husband. They have been married less than a month.

Mrs. Walcott denied that she was ever legally married to Houston and says that he deceived her by having a friend perform a mock marriage ceremony.

A Hanna Memorial Project.

Washington, April 29.—For the purpose of imparting impetus to the movement to endow a chair of political science in Western Reserve university at Cleveland as a memorial to the late Senator Hanna, William G. Oswald came to Washington yesterday. He is secretary of the Marcus A. Hanna Memorial Chair association and after leaving Washington will visit Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and Boston.

HOSPITAL SECRETS.

A Nurse Says: "Pe-ru-na is a Tonic of Efficiency."



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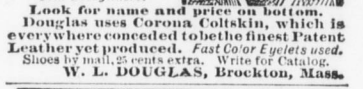
In view of the great multitude of women suffering from some form of female disease and yet unable to find any cure, Dr. Hartman, the renowned specialist in female catarrhal diseases, has announced his willingness to direct the treatment of as many cases as make application to him during the summer months, without charge. Address The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.

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