

SITUATION IS ALARMING

Grave Difficulties Confront the Government on Venezuelan Question.

EUROPEAN POWERS THREATEN

A False Step May Arouse Great Britain, Germany, France and Belgium--Bayard Unequal to the Mosquito Troubles--Powers Want Cash.

Washington, March 20.--The prospect of serious complications which threaten the United States through proposed encroachment on Venezuela and Nicaragua has assumed a phase of such danger to the principle laid down in the Monroe doctrine...

TIGUE DEFEATED.

The Scranton Boy Retires in the Second Round.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 20.--The semifinals and a few preliminaries in the seventh annual boxing and wrestling championships of the Amateur Athletic union of the United States were contested for in Cyclopedia hall, Allegheny, tonight.

THURSTON'S RECALL

The Demand for the Removal of the Hawaiian Minister Now Appears to Be an Assured Fact.

Washington, March 20.--Now that the demand of the government for the recall of Minister Thurston appears to be an assured fact, persons familiar with the course of Hawaiian affairs in congress express no surprise at the result.

STRONG ADVERSARIES APPEAR.

In the Venezuelan affair the United States government finds itself opposed to such strong adversaries as Great Britain, France and Germany, with Belgium as an incidental factor.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Arthur Speyd Kills His Sweetheart and Shoots Himself.

Celina, Ohio, March 20.--A team belonging to a livery stable keeper at Monticello, five miles from here, came into the stable yard last night with the body of a girl named Annie Frisch sitting in the vehicle stone dead.

TRIAL OF THE ROBINSONS.

Their Fate Is Now in the Hands of the Jury.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 20.--The case of Clarence and Sadie Robinson, who have been on trial for the murder of Montgomery Gibbs, a young lawyer, was today concluded and given to the jury.

PRESIDENTS TO MEET.

Schedule of Coal Percentages to Be Revised if Possible.

Philadelphia, March 20.--The meeting of the presidents of the anthracite coal roads will be held tomorrow afternoon in New York.

CONDENSED STATE TOPICS.

Reading's Firemen's union has already agreed upon \$300 in prizes for the state firemen's tournament.

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE

Nine Thousand Cases Go Off at Amsterdam.

BOATMEN ARE BLOWN TO ATOMS

The Cargoes of Two Crafts Explode with Terrible Effect--Twenty-five Persons Are Killed--Nearby Towns Shaken.

Amsterdam, March 20.--While 9,000 cases containing 255,000 kilograms of dynamite destined for Manassas were being transferred by boats on the Rhine from German territory near Lobith, yesterday evening, the cargoes of two of the boats exploded, blowing the boats and boatmen to atoms.

MISTAKEN AND ILL-TIMED.

College Boys Are Still Anxious to Die on the Ball Ground--They Acknowledge Wisdom of Faculty, However.

Boston, March 20.--Captain Arthur Brewer, of the Harvard eleven, has this letter in the Crimson today, regarding the action taken yesterday by the faculty of the college against football:

MINT SHORTAGE.

Eighty Thousand Dollars Worth of Gold and Silver Lost in Nevada Crucibles.

Washington, March 20.--Mr. Preston, director of the mint, confirms the United Press dispatches that a shortage exists in the Carson, Nev., mint.

ROBBED THE MORGANS.

Collection Clerk Appropriated Ten Thousand Dollars.

New York, March 20.--Harry Mines, 22 years old, was committed to prison yesterday on a charge of having stolen several thousand dollars from the banking firm of Pierpont Morgan & Co. Mines was in the employ of the firm and it is said his stealings will reach \$10,000.

CONTRACTORS INDICTED.

They Are Held Responsible for the Fall of New York Tenement Houses.

New York, March 20.--Four persons have been indicted by the regular grand jury as a result of the fall of tenement houses in Orchard street, by which five men lost their lives on March 1.

MURUAGUA ALL RIGHT.

Has Simply Followed the American Custom and Talked Through His Hat.

Washington, March 20.--It is asserted that there is no foundation for the report that Senator Muruagua will be recalled by his government upon the suggestion of Secretary Gresham.

OSWALD OUT OF JAIL.

The Youth Who Killed His Father Is Under Bail.

Reading, Pa., March 20.--Charles Oswald, the 16-year-old boy who killed his father at Oley Line on Tuesday night, was lodged in jail here at 2 o'clock this morning.

THE KNIFE WAS DULL.

Hester Pitts Unable to Shuffle Off the Mortal Coil.

Philadelphia, March 20.--Hester Pitts, colored, who was arrested yesterday in Harrisburg, on the charge of stealing \$4,000 from the home of her employer, Mr. Brooks, in this city, was brought to Philadelphia today.

ADAM BADEAU DEAD.

The Well Known Soldier and Author Passes Away.

Ridgewood, N. Y., March 20.--Brigadier General Adam Badeau died suddenly in the Herbert House here at 9 o'clock last night.

THE NEW REVENUE MEASURE

It Would Produce \$200,000 Less Funds Annually for State.

THE ESTIMATES SUBMITTED

Religious Garb Bill Under Consideration. It Is Certain to Be Approved by the Governor--Superior Court Bill Amendments.

Harrisburg, March 20.--The state's fiscal officers cannot figure out more than \$19,000,000 state revenues for the next two years. They have carefully gone over the estimate submitted at the conference last Thursday night at the executive mansion between Governor Hastings, his cabinet and Charles Fruit and Marshall, of the senate and house appropriations committee.

MURKIN IN THE MINDS.

Advocates of the New Revenue Bill Formulated by the State Tax Conference Are Using the Falling Off in the State Receipts as an Argument in Favor of the Measure.

GUARD APPOINTMENTS.

Official Announcements from Military Headquarters.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 20.--An order was issued from National Guard headquarters this evening announcing the following appointments:

HODGES ARRESTED.

The Murderer of His Brother Charged with the Crime.

Philadelphia, March 20.--A dispatch was received at police headquarters tonight from the police of Chicago, stating that Joseph Hodges, who is wanted in this city for the murder of his brother, William, had been arrested in the latter city today.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

Small-arm target practice has been resumed in the army.

FOREIGN NEWS NOTES.

The Duke of Aosta has been formally betrothed to Princess Helene of Orleans.

WEATHER REPORT.

For eastern Pennsylvania, fair; possibly preceded by light snow on the immediate coast; increasing northerly winds.

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