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SCRANTON, PA., MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 11, 1901.

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RUSSIA AND MANCHURIA

United States Opposed to Division of China, but Not in Alliance with any Other Power.

RUSSIA'S DECLARATIONS

Although Suspected of Planning to Seize and Hold Manchuria as Her Own, She Has on Every Occasion Possible Declared Emphatically That She Has No Such Purpose.

Washington, March 10.—The official correspondence which has passed between the state department and the Chinese government...

On Feb. 16 the United States addressed strong representations to China through Mr. Conger and Prince Li Hung Chang...

Our Position. The United States government has not entered into any secret or open agreement with Great Britain...

Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, called on the state department today, and was in conference with Secretary Hay for half an hour...

HARRY SCHOCK ARRESTED.

Ex-Mayor Magowan's Brother-in-Law Accused of Pawing Watch.

Trenton, N. J., March 10.—Harry Schock, a brother-in-law of ex-Mayor Frank A. Magowan, was arrested here last night on the charge of larceny of a watch...

TAFT SAILS FOR LUCENA.

The Judge and His Associates Will Establish Another Government.

Manila, March 10.—Judge Taft and his associates of the United States government, accompanied by their wives and a number of prominent Filipinos...

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

New York, March 10.—Arrived: S. Louis, Southampton and Chesapeake; Germania, Liverpool and Queensland; Umbria, Liverpool and Queensland...

DEMANDS OF CARPENTERS.

Philadelphia, March 10.—The carpenters' union of this city have made a demand for 20 cents per hour and eight hours a day...

MOBS STONE TAX COLLECTORS.

Madrid, March 10.—During a riot against the municipal employees engaged in collecting the taxes, an attempt was made to stone the tax collectors...

MURDER OF APPLIGATE.

A New Jersey Wife Beater Found Dead in a Pool of Blood.

Trenton, N. J., March 10.—Thomas Appligate, a farmer living at Excelsior, ten miles from here, was found dead in his barn this morning with his head crushed in. Owing to threats that had been made by White Caps to punish Appligate for ill-treating his family...

CAMPERDOWN SAILORS CHARGED WITH MUTINY

Twelve of the Crew of the Sugar Ship Were Brought Into Port in Irons.

New York, March 10.—The British steamer Camperdown arrived this morning from Cuban ports with twelve of her crew in irons. After leaving quarantine she dropped anchor and Captain Smith sent for the police boat patrol...

RAILROAD OFFICE BURNED.

Fire in Departments of New York, New Haven and Hartford.

New York, March 10.—The building owned and occupied by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Co., New York division, for the general offices of several departments at Whitehall avenue and One Hundred and Thirty-second street was heavily damaged by fire early this evening...

WALK AT PHILADELPHIA.

Old-Time "Peds" and Unknowns Indulge in a Match.

Philadelphia, March 10.—A six-day go-as-you-please walking match was begun a few minutes after midnight at Industrial hall, under the auspices of the Penn. Athletic club. Over a score of pedestrians started in the race...

BUBONIC PLAGUE REPORTS.

Cape Town Has Had 102 Cases and 22 Deaths.

Cape Town, March 10.—The official reports regarding the progress of the bubonic plague in Cape Town since the outbreak show a total of 102 deaths and 102 cases.

THE BOTHA SURRENDER.

London, March 10.—No further news has been received concerning the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and General Botha...

TELEGRAPHERS WANT MORE WAGES.

New York, March 10.—The telegraphers in the service of the Central Railroad of New Jersey will tomorrow through their grievance committee meet General Superintendent Johnson and demand a minimum wage of \$200 per month...

NO CARLISTS AT CATALONIA.

Madrid, March 10.—At the next council of the ministry the dates for the dissolution of parliament and the general election will be fixed. In official circles it is deemed that no band of Carlists have made their appearance in Catalonia.

LI HUNG CHANG SERIOUSLY ILL

Life of the Great Chinese Statesman, It is Said, Hangs by a Thread.

RUMORS ABOUT EMPRESS

Prince Ching and Earl Li Endeavor to Influence the Deliberations of the Ministers by Various Yarns. United States Signal Corps Ready to Leave Pekin—Wardner's Men Still Fighting—Prince Tuan and General Tung Fu Hsing Are Prepared to Resist Arrest.

Pekin, March 10.—Li Hung Chang is again seriously ill, and his physician says his life hangs by a thread. Prince Ching and Earl Li seem to think that by spreading rumors of the court's unwillingness to return to Peking, unless this or that thing is done, they can influence the deliberations of ministers of the powers...

WALDERSSEE'S MEN FIGHTING.

Berlin, March 10.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Count von Walderssee: "Pekin, March 10.—Colonel Ledeburg's column stormed a gate of the great wall, eighty miles west of Peking, Friday, March 8, capturing four guns."

Shanghai, March 10.—Dispatches from Lan-Chau assert that General Tung Fu Hsing, with 20,000 men, and Prince Tuan, with 10,000 men, are at Ning-Hsi, prepared to resist arrest. The China Gazette announces that Sheng, the Tsoai, has demoralized the throne in favor of the abolition of the Likin duties, and that all the viceroys and governors support him.

WALK AT PHILADELPHIA.

First Edition of the Smasher's Mail Appears at Topeka.

Topeka, Kan., March 10.—The initial edition of Mrs. Carrie Nation's newspaper, "The Smasher's Mail," is interesting. It is a four-column, sixteen-page paper of neat appearance, containing several half-tone illustrations of various scenes during the last joint crusade. The first page contains an excellent picture of Sick Childer, the negro publisher, underneath are the lines "Business manager of the Smasher's Mail and Philadelphia, who went to the relief of Mrs. Nation when deserted by the law and order people."

MRS. NATION'S PAPER.

Back in His Own Country, He Will Defy the British.

London, March 10.—The Times publishes the following dispatch from Ansovogetsk, March 9: "The Malaya gathered today to oppose the removal of a Malay who had been arrested for the disease and of several persons who had been in contact with the victims. The police were overpowered and the persons who had come into contact with the Malay made their escape. In the event of a repetition of this case, it will be necessary to employ an armed force, so that trouble is anticipated."

MEN AND HORSES CREMATED.

Fatal Fire in a Livery Stable in California.

San Francisco, March 10.—Three men, Charles White, Charles Young and B. Johnson and an entire head of horses burned to death today in the destruction of Morton's livery stable. The men, who were employed at the stable, were asleep in the hay rack.

"BLOODY RAIN" AT ROME.

Strange Phenomenon Witnessed in That City and at Palermo.

Palermo, Sicily, March 10.—A strange phenomenon was witnessed here today. Ever since last night a red cloud extended over the city, the sky being a deep red. The rain now falling resembles drops of coagulated blood. This phenomenon, which is called "bloody rain," is attributed to dust from the African deserts, transported by the heavy south wind now blowing.

Postoffice Robbed of \$100.

Toledo, O., March 10.—Six masked men entered today from a blacksmith shop early this morning and breaking into the West Toledo postoffice stole the safe with its contents and escaped with the safe into a wagon. The safe was valued at \$100. The safe was broken open and the contents were scattered about the room. The safe was broken open and the contents were scattered about the room.

MINE WORKERS MEET.

Delegates Will Assemble at Hazleton Today—Large Number Expected.

Hazleton, Pa., March 10.—The delegates from this section to the United Mine Workers' convention in Hazleton will leave for that city tomorrow morning. The convention will be much larger than the one held in the same town last fall. Some of the locals will send as high as ten delegates. Charles J. Thain, district organizer and a delegate to the convention, said tonight that he thought the action of the coal companies in posting notices signifying their willingness to pay the present scale of wages for another year by bringing before the convention a system is co-operation upon the part of the companies, Mr. Thain says he does not think there will be a strike, but says if the operators will meet the miners in joint conference all grievances could be settled in a few hours.

MOB FIRES A PEST HOUSE

Police Are Obligated to Protect the Firemen from Intimidated Growds.

Orange, N. J., March 10.—An excited mob last evening tried to burn down the newly erected pesthouse. The chief engineer of the fire department was roughly handled and the furious crowd tried to prevent the fire department from saving the hospital. The trouble began early in the day, when Benjamin Finerman, the contractor engaged by William Schuler, the health officer of the board of health, began the work of building the pesthouse in the vacant lot bounded by Crane street, Essex avenue, Lincoln avenue and Mechanic street. He had hardly got his men at work before Mayor Stetson interfered, and ordered Police Captain Daniel Leary to tear the building down. Mr. Schuler quoted the state board of health law, and demanded police protection. Then Mayor Stetson backed down. Later the builder was ordered to stop by the president of the board of health, John T. Platt. Finerman replied that he had a contract from William Schuler, and refused to stop. Feeling ran high and a large and angry crowd gathered around the spot. By night the building was completed. Soon after 7 o'clock an alarm of fire was sent out from Box 41, and when the firemen arrived they found a fierce fire burning against the side of the pesthouse. A crowd of several hundred excited Italians and others were gathered there. The fire apparatus drove up a determined attempt was made to balk its efforts. The members of the department were hustled about in an effort to prevent them from attaching the hose to the hydrant, and Chief Engineer James W. Hodgkinson was roughly handled. To prevent any further trouble, the authorities kept a strong guard of police around the place. John Harrington, the man accused of having set fire to the building last night, was arraigned in police court today and held for future examination.

EXCITEMENT AT ORANGE

Inhabitants Object to the Erection of the Building and Put Up a Bitter Fight Against the Chief Engineer and Members of the Fire Department—Several Are Arrested by the Police.

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CUBAN AGITATORS ARE STILL ACTIVE

Radical Press Doing Everything in Its Power to Keep Platt Amendment Before the People.

Havana, March 10.—Although the political demonstrations have ended, the radical element in the Cuban constitutional convention has not given up hope that the United States will accede from the position taken regarding the Platt amendment. The radical press is doing everything in its power to keep the subject before the public. It attributes the action of the United States congress to the influence of the trusts, declaring that the American people are in favor of giving Cuba absolute independence. Articles from American papers which seem to sustain the attitude of the convention are given wide publicity. Thus far the radical members of the convention remain firm in their determination not to accept the Platt amendment. The committee on foreign relations will meet tomorrow, but a final report is not expected for several days.

SWINDLED MEN OF LEARNING.

College President Appears to Prosecute Ross Raymond.

New York, March 10.—President Seth Low, of Columbia university; General Thomas L. Ford, president of the Lincoln National Bank; President Daniel C. Gilman, of Johns Hopkins university, of Baltimore, and Secretary William Beebe, of Columbia university, were in police court this morning before Magistrate Poole to prosecute Ross Raymond for swindling. Presidents Low and Gilman and Secretary Beebe told how Raymond under the name of Professor Sandys had played a confidence game on them by which he obtained \$200 from the bank. President Gilman testified that the letters which Raymond presented to President Low were a forgery. The technical charges on which Raymond was held were the forging of the check and the Gilman letter and he was held in \$2,000 bond on each of these charges. Raymond was arrested in New Haven last week for trying to swindle President Hadley, of Yale college.

PREPARING FOR THE DUEL.

Well-known March 10.—M. Paul Desroches, of Montreal, of Paris, arrived here today with M. Paul Buffet, brother of M. Andre Buffet, and M. Auguste Fernand de Banel, of the French chamber, who will act as second for M. Andre Buffet in the projected duel with M. Paul Desroches.

PRINCE COMMITS SUICIDE.

Berlin, March 10.—Prince Alexander Zoussloff has committed suicide at Wiesbaden, having learned that the disease from which he was suffering was incurable.

WILLIAM'S WOUND HEALING.

Berlin, March 10.—Kaiser William's wound is healing, the swelling of the limb is subsiding and his master's general condition is satisfactory.

BANK BURGLARIZED.

Augusta, Ga., March 10.—The private bank of H. S. Sprague was burglarized last night and \$2,000 in cash and \$1,000 in registered government 3 per cent bonds secured.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today. RAIN, WARMER.

- 1 General-Southwest swept by a Tornado. Serious illness of Li Hung Chang. Russia's Designs on China. Post Office Fired by a Mob. 2 General-Carbondale Department. 3 Local-Arguments on the Ripper Quo Warranto. Sermon by Rev. Dr. McLeod. 4 Editorial Note and Comment. 5 Local-President Mitchell on the Passing of Changes in the Revenue Law. 6 Local-West Scranton and Schuylkill. 7 General-Northeastern Pennsylvania. Stock Quotations. 8 Live News of the Industrial World.

BENJAMIN HARRISON IS SERIOUSLY ILL

The Ex-President Suffering from Congestion of the Lungs—Physicians Are Non-Committal.

Indianapolis, March 10.—The condition of former President Benjamin Harrison is serious. Dr. Jameson today stated that the upper part of General Harrison's left lung was inflamed. There is some danger of the congestion extending to the rest of the lung and to the right lung. Until 3 o'clock this afternoon General Harrison was resting easily, but at that time he became slightly worse and Dr. Jameson was called. He said that he was certain nothing was to be apprehended for the next forty-eight hours, but the age of the patient renders all calculations uncertain. Toughest General Harrison was suffering some pain, but was resting comparatively easy.

TROUBLE AT THE NAVAL OBSERVATORY

It is Believed That the Establishment Should Be in Charge of a Professional Star Gazer.

Washington, March 10.—It appears that the trouble at the Naval Observatory is not altogether of a merely personal nature. It involves the old question whether the observatory should be under the superintendence of a line officer of the navy or of a professional astronomer. The latter view has been held by the astronomical profession at large and also by such authorities as Secretary Tracy and Secretary Long. This view is grounded not so much upon any impossibility of finding persons qualified in the line of the navy or upon any dissatisfaction with the present incumbent, as upon the fact that the frequent change of duty to which naval officers are subject at short intervals prevent continuity of administration, and also upon the general fact that the appointment of superintendents should be made from persons in service without restriction to any class and should be made the most accomplished and competent astronomer that can be found anywhere.

BIG ROW AT LISBON.

Police Attack Students at Polytechnic School.

Lisbon, March 10.—As the result of a manifestation against the Jesuits by the students of the Polytechnic school, the police entered the institution and struck the amount of money. Among the wounded are some infantry and cavalry cadets. The affair has caused lively indignation, and the assembled students have passed resolutions, addressed to the house of peers and chamber of deputies, denouncing the brutality of the police. Madrid, March 10.—El Heraldo makes the following statement: "There have been further anti-Jesuit manifestations in Lisbon, beseeching the calling out of the municipal guard, which is now patrolling the city. Strict censorship is enforced."

PROTEST FROM JAMAICA.

An Effort to Prevent Employment of Soldiers in Interest of Syndicate.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 10.—The government of Jamaica, acting on behalf of the British government, has sent a strong protest to the president of the United States against the employment of soldiers in the interest of a syndicate. The protest is almost a ultimatum, as it calls for an immediate discontinuance of the practice. The syndicate in question is the one which is now patrolling the city. Strict censorship is enforced."

THE STATE REVENUES.

Washington, March 10.—The auditor general estimates that the total revenues for each of the next two years will be \$1,200,000. The probable outlay for the necessary expenses of the state government for each of the two years, including \$2,000,000 for the public school system, will be about \$1,200,000. In addition to this it is proposed to appropriate an additional \$1,000,000 to the public schools to make up the cost made at the last school year. The auditor general estimates that the state will be able to pay its obligations for the construction of the state capital building.

SEALED VERDICT IN NATION CASE.

Washington, March 10.—A sealed verdict was returned this afternoon in the case of the state against Mrs. Carrie Nation. Justice William B. Ewing and Justice Charles D. Swayne, sitting in the district court in the morning. Ewing of the jury men are said to have favored conviction at midnight last night. The jury deliberated twenty-four hours.

FELL UNDER CAR WHEELS.

Lancaster, Pa., March 10.—William M. Zeigler, aged 27 years, a Pennsylvania railroad fireman, was fatally injured this morning on the railroad just west of this city. He had been working at the Zeigler curve lower end of the Zeigler curve, and was struck by a freight train in coming to his home in this city. He fell under the wheels.

STORM IN THE SOUTHWEST

A Fierce Tornado Wrecks Many Buildings and Does Much Damage.

TWO NEGROES KILLED

Twenty Cabins Demolished at Clinton—Part of Marvin College Unroofed and the Plant of the Water Works Destroyed—Plate Glass Windows Blown In—Property Loss at Willis Point Is \$50,000.

Dallas, Tex., March 10.—Further reports of yesterday's tornado at Willis Point have made no addition to the death list. One dwelling was wrecked, several others were killed outright. The property loss at Willis Point is \$50,000. East of Willis Point the country is dotted with evidences of the storm's fury and by little remnants of wreckage its course can be followed to the Arkansas line. At New Boston and Texarkana it seems to have left the state. At both of these places houses were considerably damaged. At New Boston two negroes were injured by flying debris. The recovery of one of them is doubtful. A number of small houses at Texarkana were wrecked. At Texarkana some damage was done on College Hill, a suburb. The westernmost trace of the storm is in Collin county, about thirty miles north of Dallas. Here the wind was very strong, but no serious damage is reported.

BIG BUILDINGS DAMAGED.

Princeton, Ind., March 10.—This city was struck by a tornado late last night. One dwelling was wrecked, several others were moved from the foundations and hundreds of buildings were demolished. No lives were lost. This court house and the high school buildings were much damaged. Hundreds of windows, many of plate glass, were blown in. Fulton, Ky., March 10.—In the terrific storm that swept this section last night the damage was great at Clinton and Hickman. At Clinton twenty negro cabins were demolished, two negroes being mortally hurt and many others badly bruised. Part of Marvin college was unroofed and the water works plant was destroyed. The Baptist church at Hickman was destroyed by wind. A large number of tenement houses and barns were blown down in Fulton and Hickman counties and the loss of property is large.

STORM IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 10.—One of the worst wind storms of the season struck Chicago early today and during the last hours that it was at its height damaged property throughout the city to the extent of \$17,000. Many heavy plate glass windows were blown in. Telegraph and telephone companies were the worst sufferers and it will be some time before service is restored. Thousands of poles were blown down and Chicago practically isolated from the west and northwest by telephone and telegraph tonight and all day today. Telephone and telegraph service was crippled so badly that it was of little value. Up to a late hour tonight neither Milwaukee nor Minneapolis could be reached by long distance telephone.

THE COAL TRADE.

Anthracite Conditions Scarcely as Active as Heretofore.

Philadelphia, March 10.—The Ledger in its coal article tomorrow will say: "The anthracite coal trade is scarcely as active as heretofore. Cold weather continued generally throughout the week, but the movement of coal was unexceptionable. Severity of winter interfered with the output from a number of the collieries, this leading to a shortage of coal in the market. It is noted in various quarters that dealers were unable to induce their owners to cull the quantity of anthracite necessary to supply the demand of the winter season with lessening of the days. A substitute in price is also desired and anticipated and the consuming public are troubled with the idea that before long prices will be so high as to make it unprofitable to export to them to come in the April export. Hence the growing disposition in collieries to cull at this time. The Ledger outlook in the anthracite market is, considering the season, not so bright as it is usually to be expected. It is thought that all dealers may be unprofitably during the spring business."

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, March 10.—Forecast: Monday and Tuesday: For eastern Pennsylvania, rain and snow showers; for the rest of the state, rain and snow showers; for the rest of the state, rain and snow showers; for the rest of the state, rain and snow showers.