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SCRANTON, PA., FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 3, 1901.

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PRESIDENT IN NEW ORLEANS

Mr. McKinley Is Enthusiastically Welcomed at a Colored University.

ACCIDENT ON THE PARADE

A Wheel Comes Off the Carriage Occupied by Secretary Hay and Postmaster-General Smith—The Visit to the Historic Cabildo—A Run Down the River to the Scene of the Battle of New Orleans.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New Orleans, May 2.—President McKinley, accompanied by Governor Heard and Mayor Capdeville, and escorted by a mounted detachment of police and the Louisiana Cavalry, left the St. Charles hotel at 9:30 o'clock today, after breakfasting in his apartments with Mrs. McKinley. The party proceeded to the Southern university, a colored institution, where the president was enthusiastically received by the faculty and students. The weather was clear and warm.

As the president entered the grounds of the university, he was welcomed with "Hail to the Chief," sung by a chorus of 1,000 school children and accompanied by the student orchestra. He made a short address to the negro children.

During the parade here yesterday afternoon, as the presidential party was being escorted to the hotel, a wheel came off the carriage occupied by secretary Hay and postmaster-general Smith. The carriage was moving slowly, and neither the secretary of state nor the postmaster general was injured. They immediately entered another carriage and resumed their place in the procession.

The Historic Cabildo.

From the Southern university the president was driven to the historic Cabildo, facing Jackson square, where a multitude of people had gathered. It was within the Cabildo in the room now occupied by the state supreme court that the transfer of Louisiana from the Louisiana territory by France to Governor Claiborne, the American commissioner of President Jefferson. The president was met today by Governor Dues, the state officials and members of the Supreme court promptly at 10 o'clock and was escorted to a seat on the right of Chief Justice Nicholls. President Alce Fortier, of the Louisiana Historical association, was recognized by the chief justice and delivered an address on the historical association of the Cabildo. The president made a brief reply and an official record was made on the minutes of the visit of Mr. McKinley to the court. Afterward the president spoke briefly from the balcony to an immense assemblage of the citizens. A national salute brought the ceremonies to a close.

Historical Society's Welcome.

At the Cabildo, Alce Fortier, a distinguished Creole, president of the Louisiana Historical society, made a brief address, welcoming the president and the president in his response spoke as follows:

"It is only for the purpose of making acknowledgment to the Louisiana Historical association for its cordial and generous welcome to this historic place. It has been a great honor to me to be received by the governor of this great commonwealth, by the chief justice and his associates of the highest court, by the mayor of the city, to this place, memorable never in American annals, but memorable in the annals of the world (applause)."

When He Concluded the President Appeared on the Balcony to Slow Himself to the Waiting Thousands Outside.

The cadets below presented arms and the square and the building surrounding it fluttered with handkerchiefs and flags, while the air was torn by the hoarse roar of the shouts of the multitude. The president acknowledged the demonstration with a bow and spoke as follows:

"My fellow citizens: I have great honor in standing on this historic ground to receive the greetings of my country and to recall the fact that here nearly a hundred years ago a great scene was enacted that dedicated a larger area than the original thirteen states to liberty and union forever." (Applause).

Battlefield of Chalmette.

The party then returned to the hotel for luncheon, and in the afternoon embarked on a Mississippi river steamer boat for a trip along the river front

SHORT SESSION OF THE SENATE

The Calendar Is Cleared of First Reading Bills—Measures Passed Finally.

CENSURE FOR THE HOUSE

The Upper Branch Deplores the Backward Condition of Legislation in the House of Representatives. Senate Bills Passed Finally—New License for Factory Inspectors. Other Measures.

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Harrisburg, May 2.—A short session of the senate was held this morning, beginning at 8:30, at which the calendar was cleared of first reading bills. The Corbett renovating bill, which has passed the house, was reported from committee and will be read the first time Monday night. Mr. Grady, of Philadelphia, offered the following resolution, which lies over one day under the rules:

"Resolved, That we deplore the backward condition of legislation in the house of representatives, particularly appropriation bills, to which the delay in fixing the time of final adjournment is wholly attributable. This senate will meet again at 9 o'clock Monday night."

In the house today, the senate bill granting a pension of \$8 a month to Lydia S. Whitley, widow of William A. Whitley, a private of Company K, Third-fifth regiment, Pennsylvania Militia, passed finally. Two other bills granting pensions to James S. Plummer, private in the Old Tyrone Artillery company, and S. B. Lysinger, a private in an artillery company of the Civil war, were committed to the pensions committee.

Bills Passed Finally.

These senate bills also passed finally:

Providing for the enforcement of mortgages or contracts assigned bona fide ten or more years prior to the passage of the act to prohibit foreign corporations from doing business in Pennsylvania, and authorized agents by foreign corporations which have not complied with the act.

Permitting the factory inspectors to seize clothing manufactured in unsanitary and unhealthy places.

Making the act of 1895 relative to county controllers, apply to Berks, Lancaster, Lackawanna and Westmoreland counties and authorizing the governor to appoint controllers for these counties.

YUKON RIVER OPEN.

Seattle, May 2.—The Yukon river, from White Horse rapids down to Dawson, opened on Saturday, April 27. Dawson advices, dated April 19, give particulars of the finding of the body of Dr. Hollinger by a prospector named Black, about 70 miles from the mouth of White river. The body had been partially devoured by wolves. Identification is clearly established by letters found in the pockets of the clothing.

Mandamus Refused.

Harrisburg, May 2.—Justice after having denied an opinion in several of the school mandamus cases against the state treasurer and superintendent of public instruction in which he holds that the question of sufficiency of revenue does not enter into the right of the governor to approve or disapprove a part of an appropriation, that the governor may consider that in the exercise of the right of the power, but the question of sufficiency of revenue does not enter into the right of power itself. For this reason the mandamus is refused.

CAR SHOP MEN NOW DEMAND INCREASE.

Wilkes-Barre, May 2.—The men employed in the car shops of the Central Railroad of New Jersey between Jersey City and Scranton, have made a demand on the officials for a nine-hour day without reduction of wages. The petition of the employees has in the hands of the general agent in New York. An answer is expected within a week. About 1,500 men are affected.

PRESIDENT ERRARUZA WILL TAKE A VACATION.

The Reins of Government in Chili Will Be Turned Over to Senor Riesco.

CHINESE AFFAIRS ARE DISCUSSED

Foreign Ministers at Washington Confer with Dr. Hill, the Acting Secretary of State.

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Washington, May 2.—The German and French ambassadors and Mr. Rosenzweig, of the Russian embassy, were among today's callers on Dr. Hill, acting secretary of state. The discussion was almost entirely on Chinese affairs, the press dispatches as to an agreement on \$275,000,000 indemnity and a change of customs duties having excited considerable interest in official and diplomatic quarters. None of the callers were able to confirm the reports, but the opinion was general that an agreement on indemnity had been reached. The prevailing estimate is that the indemnity will be a compromise between the minimum amount urged by the United States and the maximum urged by other powers. The original total claims amounted to a half billion dollars, so that the present total represents a scaling down of about 49 per cent. At this rate the claim of the United States, which originally was about \$25,000,000, would be cut down to about \$18,000,000.

COLONEL McCURE HONORED.

Banquet by Clover Club in Commemoration of His Retirement. Philadelphia, May 2.—The Clover club tonight gave a banquet in commemoration of the retirement of Colonel Alexander K. McCure from active service after a busy career of fifty-five years.

NEGROES TERRORIZED.

Three Supposed to Have Been Implicated in Edwards Murder. Are Found Dead. Selma, Ala., May 2.—Three negroes were found dead this morning near the cabin in which Deputy Sheriff Edwards was killed Sunday night, ten miles south of Selma. Edward Dawson, a copy of Henry Dawson, in whose house Edwards was killed, was found here in the public road. The other two were shot in the cabin. They are supposed to have been implicated in the murder of Edwards.

PREPARED FOR THE GOAT.

Norman Hemingway, of Kansas City, Used a Revolver as Inkling. St. Paul, N. Y., May 2.—Norman Hemingway, from Kansas City, who has been living in Rockland county for several months, was initiated in the lodge of Odd Fellows at Spring Valley last night. Sheriff part of the ceremony, W. R. Sherwood, an officer of the lodge, acted in a stern manner and rushed towards Hemingway, intending it as a joke.

AN ERROR CORRECTED.

Governor Stone Sets Right an Item in the Philadelphia Press. Harrisburg, May 2.—Governor Stone today made the public following telegram which was sent to the Philadelphia Press:

VALLEY TRANSIT STOCK TO BE INCREASED.

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SOME OF THE RESULTS

The Casualties of the Czar's Troops Were Sixty in Killed and Wounded, Including General Zerpitski and Four Other Officers—Indemnity Committee's Report Read—Ministers Resent General's Letter.

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London, May 2.—In a dispatch from Peking, dated May 1, to the Kolnische Zeitung, it is said that a bloody battle has been fought between Russians and Chinese near Mukden. The Russians lost sixty in killed and wounded. Four Russian officers were killed and among the wounded was General Zerpitski.

Peking, May 1.—At the meeting of the ministers today the report of the indemnity committee was read. On the resources of the empire the report was voluminous. It was practically a repetition of Jameson's well known pamphlet on the subject.

Sir Robert Hart offered suggestions similar to those credited to him.

It is said that the revenues from all available sources will not allow China to pay the indemnity unless assistance is rendered.

The next meeting of the ministers is to be held on Tuesday. The subject of indemnity is expected to be taken up then and a reply to it drafted. The ministers personally object to the tone of the letter. They say that they know what they want without being told. They particularly object to any of the authority granted to the indemnity committee.

London, May 2.—The Berlin reports of fighting between the Russians and Chinese in Manchuria are discredited here. It is believed that Russia started her excesses for strengthening her forces in Manchuria.

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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today: RAIN; LOWER TEMPERATURE.

- 1 General—President McKinley in the Crescent City.
- 2 Reported Battle Between Russians and Chinese.
- 3 Parliament Excited Over Coal Duty.
- 4 Work of the State Legislature.
- 5 General—Caldwell Department.
- 6 Local—Selectman Oliver Creates a Session.
- 7 Judge Carpenter's First Opinion.
- 8 Bowling Season closes.
- 9 Editorial.
- 10 Note and Comment.
- 11 Local—DeScheriff Robinson Elected Mayor.
- 12 Solicitor Watson's New License Tax Measure.
- 13 Requests of the Machinery.
- 14 Local—Wed. Scranton and Suburban.
- 15 General—Northwestern Pennsylvania.
- 16 Financial and Commercial.
- 17 Local—Industrial and Labor.

DOVER SHOP MEN OUT ON A STRIKE

Three Hundred Men Employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Quit Work.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York, May 2.—Three hundred men employed by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, in the cripple shops at Dover, N. J., left their work this afternoon. Superintendent McKenna had suspended one of the men for six days as a punishment for staying away from work without permission.

The other men sent a committee today to ask for his reinstatement. The superintendent told the committee that the request could only be granted by Superintendent Canfield at Scranton, and the strike followed.

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WARM TALK IN PARLIAMENT

The British Government Is Arraigned in a Discussion of the New Export Coal Tax.

VERNON HARCOURT LEADS

He Asserts that the Tax Will Throw the Coal Trade into Chaos and Confusion—It Is a Most Unbusiness-like Way of Dealing with a Great Trade—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach Furnishes Statistics.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

London, May 2.—There was a large attendance in the house of commons today in anticipation of the discussion of the new export tax on coal, but other matters occupied the time of the house and those in attendance had to wait until nearly 6 o'clock for the beginning of the debate. Sir William Vernon-Harcourt (Liberal) led with a severe, almost violent arraignment of the government. He said the tax would throw the coal trade into chaos and confusion. It recklessly disregarded existing contracts and was a most unbusiness-like way of dealing with a great trade. It was an extraordinary and vexatious piece of bungling. It was nonsense to say that the foreigner would pay the tax because he would not do without coal. The government of Italy had answered that plea by taking coal from America instead of this country. The trade of France was equally divided between this country, Germany and Belgium.

The chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, interrupting, said: "We are leaving the others to 'then go on beating them.'" Sir William Vernon-Harcourt, "why throw a shilling into the scale against this country?"

Sir William contended that it was class legislation and that the tax would ultimately come out of the miners' wages.

The chancellor of the exchequer admitted that the tax, like every tax, was an obstruction on trade. The real question was, "Could the export trade in coal bear the tax?" It could. "Then go on beating them," said Sir William Vernon-Harcourt, "why throw a shilling into the scale against this country?"

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WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, May 2.—Forecast for eastern Pennsylvania: Rain followed by fair; with lower temperature in north; cold and westerly breeze; Saturday fair; cooler in southern portion; high south; westerly winds, becoming northwesterly.