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GERMANY PROCEEDS WITH MODERATION

No Truth in the Story of Heated Words at the Venezuelan Capital.

GERMANY DOES NOT DESIRE TERRITORY

She Simply Wishes to Collect Claims Due German Subjects—When This Has Been Accomplished, Will Have No Further Interest in the Locality—The German Cruiser Gazelle Sails for Venezuelan Waters.

The German minister to Venezuela, Dr. O. Schmidt-Ledda, who has been on a vacation here, is now on his way to Caracas.

The foreign office again solemnly reiterates the statement that it does not contemplate territorial acquisitions in Venezuela.

Replying to Germany's assurances to the United States regarding the former's plans in connection with Venezuela, the foreign office here has received an answer from Secretary Hay.

The Tagblatt this evening prints a double-leaded cable dispatch from Washington, setting forth that the principal military and naval authorities there consider that between the United States and Germany, sooner or later, is inevitable.

The United States ambassador, Andrew D. White, informed the German newspaper men, who called at the embassy today, that the reports of the possibility of a treaty between the United States and Germany were "the thickest kind of sensational nonsense."

"Moreover," said Mr. White, "President Roosevelt, the commander in chief of both the army and navy, it is well known, entertains not only official, but personal predilections for Germany, which have been made not only officially to the German government, but which have long been known among his friends."

Cruiser Gazelle Sails. Today the small German cruiser Gazelle was ordered to sail immediately from Kiel to Venezuelan waters.

The government intends to send one or two other small warships to reinforce the present German squadron in the Caribbean sea.

The Lokai Anzeiger says: "The task for our diplomacy is to make German interests prevail against Venezuela, without, at the same time, losing touch with the American government."

government has sent a request to Berlin that Herr Knoop, manager of the German railway, be discharged.

The Official Gazette published today, contains a resolution of the Venezuelan government setting forth that Herr Knoop is unfit any longer to deal with the government, as he is an accomplice in the present revolution and must be discharged.

CENSUS STATISTICS ON COMBINATIONS

Total Capitalization of the 183 Large Corporations and Value of All the Products.

The 183 corporations employed an average of 229,192 wage earners, receiving \$194,543,715 in wages.

The 183 corporations reported control of 2,209 plants that were active during the census year and 174 reported as idle during that period.

The statistics of industrial combinations exclude all corporations manufacturing and distributing gas and electricity, and, therefore, it being impossible to trace all of the latter, and they do not generally possess the same economic significance.

SIGHT RESTORED BY FAITH.

Blind Man Kisses a Saintry Relic and Sees.

SHOTGUN STOPPED ELOPEMENT.

Girl's Father Shoots Two Friends of the Would-Be Bridegroom.

Corporations Chartered.

Harrisburg, Dec. 30.—Charters were issued by the state department today to the following corporations: Easton Printing company, Easton, Pa., capital, \$25,000.

Miller Succeeds Knight.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Charles H. Miller, appointed Nathan L. Miller, of Catskill county, as state comptroller, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Knight.

Fall Bearers at Sewell Funeral.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Secretary Root and Adjutant General Cudde, who have been invited to attend the funeral of the late Senator Sewell, will have left early tomorrow morning for Camden, N. J.

WILL OF GEORGE W. FARR.

An Estate Valued at \$255,000 Left to Charitable Institutions.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—The will of George W. Farr, Jr., a prominent lawyer, disposes of an estate valued at \$255,000, a large portion of which is bequeathed to charitable institutions, most of them in this city.

Among the charities remembered are the Ministerial relief association of the Presbyterian church, which receives \$10,000; the Presbyterian board of home missions, \$5,000; the Presbyterian board of foreign missions \$5,000 and the French benevolent society \$10,000.

HERRERA'S EXPEDITION.

The Revolutionists Debar at Tonosol from the Liberal Steamers.

Colon, Columbia, Dec. 30.—General Herrera's expedition left at Tonosol, Dec. 24, from the Liberal steamers D.S. Darien and Gaitan and sailing vessels.

Herrera is the general who captured Panama, last year, and is considered to be the best, if not the best, general the Revolutionists possess.

In view of Herrera's movements, the government has requested that the reinforcements be sent from Barranquilla to the coast.

SMALL POX AT MONTROSE.

A Bank Priest and Wife Are Ill—A Strict Quarantine Is Established.

Montrose, Dec. 30.—Small pox has made its appearance in this community, the victims up to date being Mrs. O. A. Gilbert, wife of Vice President O. A. Gilbert, of the First National bank, and Mr. Gilbert himself.

HETRICK UNNERVED.

Slayer of Kraus Crazy by Hearing Negro's Execution.

GREATEST YEAR FOR POTTERS.

Manufacturers Joyous Over Unprecedented Prosperity.

Bonner Will Be Manila's Fire Chief.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Mr. Hugh Bonner, of New York, has accepted the tender of an appointment as chief of the fire department of Manila.

Robbed the Cashier.

Boston, Dec. 30.—A man entered the office of the Federal Reserve company in Roxbury today, and, pointing a revolver at the teller named Charles W. Gardner, demanded that money be handed over.

AMERICAN COAL IN FRANCE

A Vessel Direct from Philadelphia Unloads a Cargo of Black Diamonds at Rouen.

IMPORTATION PAST EXPERIMENTAL STAGE

Only Question of Time When the United States with Her Own Vessels Will Supply Most, if Not All, of the French Coal Deficiency—Report of Consul Haynes—Anthracite the Favorite in Germany.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Two weeks ago for the first time in the history of the port, a vessel direct from Philadelphia unloaded a cargo of coal on the Rouen quays, says Consul Haynes.

An interesting portion of Mr. Haynes' report is devoted to the subject of labor in the French coal mines.

The Greatest Objections.

Mr. Haynes said that one of the greatest objections against American coal in France is its reliability.

FLOODS IN THE STATES.

Rivers and Creeks in the Eastern Section Are Steadily Falling.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—Reports from all parts of Eastern Pennsylvania tonight show that the rivers and creeks, which became greatly swollen as a result of Saturday night and Sunday's continuous rain, are steadily falling.

ZIONISTS TO ESTABLISH BANK.

Branch Is to be Opened in Palestine, Capital Not to Exceed 400,000.

NO PENNY POSTAGE.

A Reduction in Letter Rates Would Cause Deficit of \$35,000,000.

Lattimer Colliery Sold.

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ACTRESS HALF-CRAZED.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell Says the Noise in Chicago Is Awful.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Patrick Campbell and Pinksy Panky Poo, her pet dog, are in a condition of hysteria due to noise.

JEFFRIES AND SHARKEY

A Coming Fight Which Will Involve the Heavy-Weight Fistic Championship.

New York, Dec. 30.—Jim Jeffries and Tom Sharkey were matched today for a fight which will involve the heavy-weight fistic championship of the world.

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Schley Considers Case Closed.

New York, Dec. 30.—Admiral Schley's counsel, said today that Admiral Schley regards the case as closed, but that his friends will ask congress to vindicate him by retiring him on full pay and reimbursing him for the expense of his trial.

Postmaster at Jubilee.

FATAL FLOODS IN THE SOUTH

PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS. Proposal for Appointment of Committee of Jurists Discussed.

Mexico City, Dec. 30.—At today's session of the Pan-American congress, the proposal of the late Daniel Parra, delegate of Brazil, for the appointment of a committee of jurists to codify the public and private international law of the Americans, was discussed.

LONG GOING NEXT.

Secretary of Navy Decides to Retire. Would Have Left Earlier but for President's Death.

New York, Dec. 30.—A Washington special to the Commercial Advertiser says: "Secretary Long will retire from the cabinet as soon as he can do so conveniently."

The situation so far as the secretaryship of the navy is concerned is precisely what it was when the change in administration took place.

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Four Deaths Are Reported from the Cotton Belt to Date—Disaster Elsewhere.

THREE ARE DROWNED, AN ENGINEER KILLED

The Torrential Rains of the Past Two Days in Georgia, Alabama, East Tennessee and Portions of North Carolina, Inflict Serious Damage to All Kinds of Property. The Susquehanna River Still Rising—Number of Collieries Flooded.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 30.—The torrential rains of the past two days in Georgia, Alabama and East Tennessee and portions of North Carolina caused the death of four persons as far as known and inflicted serious damage to all kinds of property where rains have been followed by much colder weather accompanied by high winds.

The Chattahoochee river would continue to rise during the next few hours as it is feared much damage will result.

Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 30.—The Susquehanna river is still rising. The most dangerous point appears to be at Safe Harbor, where the Conestoga empties.

People living at the latter place close to the river have abandoned their homes and taken to the high ground.

SENATOR SEWELL'S FUNERAL.

The Last Respects to Be Paid Today.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 30.—The last respects to United States Senator William Sewell will be paid tomorrow when the body will be interred in the cemetery.

The James River Rising.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 30.—There has been a tremendous rush of water down the James last night and today. The people in the lower part of the city are moving out and the wharves at Rocketts are under water.

McLeod Beats "Butcher Boy."

Richmond, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Dan McLeod, of Hamilton, Ont., the Scotch wrestler, lost to Henderson, the Rochester "butcher boy," in a match tonight.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Dec. 30.—Arrived: Steamers: Empress, Liverpool; La Compagnie, Havre; Ruden, Rotterdam; Genoa—Arrived: Steamer Lela, New York; Southampton—Arrived: Steamer Fishland, from Antwerp, New York.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER.

Local data for Dec. 30, 1901. Highest temperature 41 degrees. Lowest temperature 30 degrees. Relative humidity 80 per cent. S. by E. 8 to 10 miles. Precipitation 24 hours ended 8 p. m., 0.31 inch.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Forecast for Tuesday and Wednesday: Eastern Pennsylvania—Fair Tuesday and Wednesday.