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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 Government at Washington Fully Aware of Germany's Position—Herr Knoepf's Discharge Is Demanded.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Berlin, Dec. 30.—The German foreign office authorizes the Associated Press to announce there is no truth whatever in the dispatches from Caracas, saying that the German minister has left the Venezuelan capital, after a heated exchange of words with President Castro.

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 assurance to the United States regarding the former's plans in connection with Venezuela, the foreign office here has received an answer from Secretary Hay, expressing full satisfaction with Germany's position. Germany still hopes to collect her claims peacefully.

The Tagblatt this evening prints a double-leaded cable dispatch from Washington, setting forth that the principal military and naval authorities there consider that the relations 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 breach between the United States and Germany are "the thinnest kind of sensational nonsense." Not one of the authorities referred to in the Tagblatt's dispatch, he added, would, under any circumstances, disclose such an opinion, least of all when the relations between the two countries are so good as at present.

"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. He studied in Germany, reads and loves German literature, and has a most sincere personal respect for the German emperor."

"Any utterance of the kind alleged by an officer of either service would be sternly rebuked by President Roosevelt."

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 additions to Germany's navy in the Caribbean will not be sufficient to give rise to suspicions among the people of the United States that Germany meditates anything beyond the collection of claims due German subjects. The German government desires, beyond anything else in this matter, to avoid disturbing the government or the people of the United States. German newspapers published today are full of expressions of this kind and many of these expressions are so much alike that it is easy to infer their utterance was suggested by the government. A remarkable thing is the fact that there is not a single unkind expression towards the United States in any of this newspaper comment. Even the dispatch from Washington to a New York newspaper, printed yesterday, to the effect that persons of importance in the war and navy departments consider war between Germany and the United States to be inevitable, has been reproduced everywhere throughout Germany. It is discussed coolly and for the most part treated with incredulity.

"We hope that this opinion," says the Berliner Neueste Nachrichten, "which grew out of the Spanish war and which we consider to be wholly erroneous, will soon give place to a more correct comprehension of Germany's aims. It is quite unreasonable that the people in the United States, holding such opinion, should connect this opinion with the Venezuelan affair, in so much as Washington has been fully informed of Germany's intentions."

The Lokal 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. The authorities at Washington have up to the present time shown such intelligent comprehension of the situation and friendly disposition towards Germany's wishes that no grounds for apprehensions exist at this point."

Knoepf's Discharge Demanded.

Caracas, Dec. 29.—The Venezuelan

government has sent a request to Berlin that Herr Knoepf, manager of the German railway, be discharged. It is contended that Manager Knoepf will be expelled.

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

Traffic over the German railway continues to be suspended.

It can be said upon excellent authority that Germany's contemplated naval demonstration against certain Venezuelan ports will be postponed until the termination of the present revolution against President Castro.

CENSUS STATISTICS ON COMBINATIONS

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

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Census statistics made public today on industrial combinations show a total authorized capitalization May 31, 1900, for the 183 corporations reported of \$3,607,539,200 and capital stock issued \$3,085,200,888. The total value of all the products of the 183 combinations reported is \$1,661,255,364.

The 183 corporations employed an average of 209,192 wage earners, receiving \$194,344,715 in wages. Employment also was given to 24,885 salaried officials, clerks, etc., receiving a total of \$32,653,628 in salaries. Miscellaneous expenses of these combinations aggregated \$15,851,677. Total cost of material used, \$187,093,888. The gross value of products less the value of material purchased in partly manufactured form, gives the net or true value of products of these combinations as \$1,661,281,586. This represents the increase in the value of the raw materials resulting from the various processes of manufacture.

The 183 corporations reported control 2,209 plants that were active during the census year and 174 reported as idle during that period. The returns show an average of 11 active plants to each corporation. Of all these industrial combinations 63 were organized prior to 1887, and in the years 1887, 1898, 1899 and prior to 20, 79 and 13 corporations respectively. Over 90 per cent of the total number of such corporations were chartered during the eighteen months from January 1, 1899, to June 30, 1900. The statistics of industrial combinations exclude all corporations manufacturing and distributing gas and electric light and power, it being impossible to trace all of the latter, and they do not generally possess the same economic significance. The returns show that the iron and steel industry is at the head of the list, with a gross product of \$265,325,782, which is more than double the value of the product of any other group except food and kindred products, and represents nearly one-third of the total gross value of products of all the industrial combinations.

SIGHT RESTORED BY FAITH.

Blind Man Kisses a Saintry Relic and Sees.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Thomas Graham passed through here yesterday on his way to his home in Ontario county, and declared his pilgrimage to Ste. Anne de Beaupre's shrine had restored his eyesight.

A short time ago Graham was nearly blind. He declares that after he had kissed the relic the inflammation in his eyes disappeared. He is now able to discern objects.

SHOTGUN STOPPED ELOPEMENT.

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

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Lucas, Ark., Dec. 30.—With a double-barreled shotgun J. E. Hood frustrated the plan of James Glaze, who wanted to elope with Hood's daughter, Jim Snow and Jake Hood are dangerously wounded as the result of the affair.

Glaze went to the house of the girl, accompanied by Jake Hood, Jim Snow and several other friends. When the party arrived the father of the girl opened fire.

Corporations Chartered.

Hartford, Dec. 30.—Charters were issued by the state department today to the following corporations: Eastern Printing company, Eastern Printing company, Clifton, Albany county, capital \$1,000. Valentine Fibre Ware company, Alton, N. Y., capital, \$50,000. Monongahela Valley Housing company, Clifton, capital, \$1,000. Pennsylvania Structural State company, Escanaba, capital, \$100,000. North Branch Electric company, North Branch, capital, \$1,000. Hamilton Electric company, Hamilton, capital, \$1,000. West End Land company, Withersburg, capital, \$50,000.

Miller Succeeds Knight.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Governor Felt appointed Nathan L. Miller, of Chatham county, as state comptroller, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Erastus C. Knight. The term of the new comptroller expires January 1, 1902.

Fall Bearers at Sewell Funeral.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Secretary Root and Adjutant General Corbin, who have been invited to act as pall bearers at the funeral of the late Senator Sewell, will have early tomorrow morning for Camden, N. J.

WILL OF GEORGE W. FARR.

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

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Dec. 30.—The will of George W. Farr, Jr., a prominent lawyer, disposes of his 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. After all individual bequests are made he will devolve the residue of the estate to the board of publication and Sabbath school work of the Presbyterian church in the United States, in trust.

HERRERA'S EXPEDITION.

The Revolutionists Debarb at Tonosol from the Liberal Steamers.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Colon, Columbia, Dec. 30.—General Herrera's expedition left at Tonosol, Dec. 24, from the Liberal steamers Dis, 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. He is a clever and able man, who has sacrificed everything for the sake of the revolution. Herrera is said to be surrounded by first class men. General Torres and Gonzalez are doubtless aware of Herrera's arrival in their vicinity and will do their utmost to join forces with him.

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

In the meantime, recognizing the gravity of the situation, the government officials are taking active measures to meet all exigencies.

Everything seems to point to Herrera making a final desperate effort.

Since the outbreak of the revolution along the railroad line Liberal troops have been seen at night time in the vicinity of Culbra and Emperador and are supposed to be some of Domingo Diaz's followers.

The government yesterdayarrisoned Las Chinas and Matancha with the view of intercepting combination with the interior in the direction of the enemy.

SMALL POX AT MONTROSE

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

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

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. The board of health has taken vigorous action in the matter and a strict quarantine has been established. It is believed that there will be no spread of the disease, but that it will be confined to the family in which it first appeared. In the meantime, public assemblies generally are being dispensed with and the doctors are doing a hand office business vaccinating the people.

At various times within the memories of our older inhabitants, small pox has broken out in Montrose, but in no case has it ever spread or become epidemic. It is hoped that the disease, in this respect, history is about to repeat itself. Dr. J. G. Wilson, health officer of the borough, has personal charge of the two cases now existing.

HETRICK UNNERVED.

Slayer of Kraus Crazed by Hearing Negro's Execution.

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Trenton, N. J., Dec. 30.—George Hetrick, alias Franklin Williams, who killed John Kraus, the cigarmaker, was so badly disturbed by the execution of Robert Hendon, that he is gradually losing his mind, and may go insane.

He saw the gallows when he was admitted to the jail last Wednesday, and was greatly unnerved. On Friday he heckled the warden, and on Saturday he was taken to the hospital, where he was kept until he was pronounced sane.

GREATEST YEAR FOR POTTERS.

Manufacturers Joyous Over Unprecedented Prosperity.

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Trenton, N. J., Dec. 30.—The Trenton potters are now taking account of stock and balancing books, and the manufacturers find that there has been a remarkable increase in business during the year. The increase in the volume of business has been nearly a million of dollars, the greatest ever known. During the latter part of the year the potters have been behind in their orders. This prosperous condition has its effect on real estate, for there are only a few empty houses in the city.

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. It is proposed to reorganize the Manila fire fighting service on modern American lines, and Mr. Bonner was selected because of his long record in New York city.

President Invited to Gettysburg.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Rev. Dr. E. C. Wolf, of Gettysburg, Pa., today invited President Roosevelt to attend the memorial exercises at the Gettysburg battle field, May 30.

AMERICAN COAL IN FRANCE

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

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

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. In a report of the state department, dated Rouen, Nov. 28, setting out the prospects of American coal in France, he says in Southern France the importation of American coal has passed the experimental stage, and that notwithstanding the nearness of England, Belgian and German coal fields, American coal has begun to filter into Northern France at different points.

An interesting portion of Mr. Haynes' report is devoted to the subject of labor in the French coal mines. It says that a general strike was threatened near the first of November but that work continued, with little interruption. The consul says the miners' principal demand for this year is that they should eventually win on this point, as they have won on other points in the past, the yearly output of coal from France in Mr. Haynes' opinion, would be diminished some seven or eight million tons.

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ACTRESS HALF-CRAZED.

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

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Chicago, Dec. 30.—Mrs. Patrick Campbell and Pinky Panky Poo, her pet dog, are in a condition of hysteria due to noise. "I can never get used to this awful Chicago," said the actress, "Bells ringing, whistles tooting, yams galloping, newshaws shouting, elevated trains crashing. Oh, dear me, it's dreadful. I never imagined Hades to be more uncomfortable. This extraordinary, very extraordinary."

Then Mrs. Campbell picked up her dog and began petting him. "Poor Pinky Panky Poo is almost crazed by the noise. He does not stand it as well as I; but he does like your corn meal mush, and so do I, too. All women should eat corn meal mush."

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PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS.

Proposal for Appointment of Committee of Jurists Discussed.

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Mexico City, Dec. 30.—At today's session of the Pan-American congress, the proposal of the late Donat 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. The amendment of Mr. Leger, of Haiti, to the effect that European governments be invited to share in this work was voted down, Mr. Leger being the only delegate favoring the interference of Europe in this matter.

In a strong speech Mr. La Barra, of Mexico, said the conference and its work must remain Pan-American.

LONG GOING NEXT.

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

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

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 is well understood here and has been understood for a long time. If President McKinley had not been assassinated Mr. Long would have left the cabinet before this. He has remained only because he did not wish to embarrass the new president at the beginning of his term and because he was urged strongly to stay."

The situation so far as the secretaryship of the navy is concerned is precisely what it was when the change in administration took place. There has been no recent development. While Secretary Long will welcome a relief from duties which for a long time have been a burden to him, he has not tendered his resignation even informally, and he will not tender it so long as there can be the slightest suspicion that he leaves the cabinet as a result of the Schley controversy. His course in the latest stages of the Schley affair is heartily approved by the president, and even if he wished to resign immediately, the president would not permit it unless it could be made absolutely clear to the public that the resignation was not induced even indirectly by the attacks of the Schley press.

But the secretary will not resign now, and the president will not ask for his resignation. The change may come a little later, probably in the spring.

There is no foundation for the report that Secretary Long's successor has been decided on, that Charles H. Allen, formerly governor of Porto Rico, is the man. Governor Allen is not an impossibility, however. Indeed there are circumstances which might make his selection probable, but there is no reason to believe that the president has come to any conclusion in the matter.

SENATOR SEWELL'S FUNERAL.