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SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 17, 1902.

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CHINESE EXCLUSION BILL MODIFIED

The Measure Originally Framed by Pacific Coast Senators Meets Defeat.

PLATT AMENDMENT IS SUBSTITUTED

Vote by Which the Substitute Took the Place of the Original Bill Was 48 to 33—Once the Substitution Was Made, All Senators Save Mr. Hoar Joined in Its Support—The Vote on Substitute, 76 to 1—Various Substitutes That Were Defeated.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, April 16.—The drastic Chinese exclusion bill originally framed by the senators and representatives from the Pacific coast states, met defeat in the senate today, and in its place was substituted a measure offered by Mr. Platt, of Connecticut, extending the provisions of the present exclusion law and also applying that exclusion to all insular territory under the jurisdiction of the United States.

The vote by which the substitute took the place of the original bill was, 48 yeas to 33 nays. Once the substitution had been made, all senators joined in its support, with the single exception of Mr. Hoar, the substitute being passed, 76 to 1.

The friends of the substitute showed their strength throughout the voting on amendments that preceded final action, and succeeded in preventing any material change in its features. Some minor changes were made, admitting Chinese persons connected with national exhibitions, and providing for certificates of identification of Chinese in their insular possessions. Otherwise, however, the substitute was adopted substantially in the form that Mr. Platt presented it.

Mr. Quay's Proposed Amendment.

After the disposition of some other amendments, Mr. Quay proposed an amendment that the exclusion shall not apply to "Chinese residents of Chinese territory who assisted in the defense or relief of the foreign legations of the Pe Tang cathedral in Peking in 1900."

Mr. Dolliver, (Iowa) referred in glowing terms to the heroism of Minister and Mrs. Conger, residents of Iowa, during the siege of Peking, and he expressed the belief that some adequate recognition should be given by this government to those who aided the American legation during those days of peril.

That part of Mr. Quay's amendment admitting Chinese Christians was lost without division and on an aye and no vote the majority of Chinese soldiers who assisted Americans during the siege of Peking was defeated, 7 to 65. Those who voted for the amendment were Messrs. Burton, Dolliver, Hoar, Platt (New York); Proctor, Quay and Vest.

The Platt amendment which was adopted as a substitute for the original bill is as follows, except where changed as noted above:

That all laws now in force prohibiting and regulating the coming of Chinese persons and persons of Chinese descent into the United States, and the residence of such persons therein, be and the same are hereby extended and continued, including the act entitled "an act to prohibit the coming of Chinese laborers to the United States," approved Sept. 23, 1888, so far as the same is inconsistent with the treaty obligations now existing, in full force and effect until the seventh day of December, 1901, and so long as the treaty between China and the United States, concluded on March 17, 1894, and proclaimed by the president on the eighth of December, 1894, shall continue in force and said laws shall apply to all territory under the jurisdiction of the United States, and to all immigration of Chinese laborers from the islands to the mainland territory of the United States, or from one portion of the island territory of the United States to another portion of said island territory: Provided, however, that this shall not apply to the transit of Chinese laborers from one island to another island of the same group or to any island within the jurisdiction of any state or the district of Alaska.

Section 2. That in case said treaty be terminated as provided in article six, thereof this act and the acts hereby extended and continued shall remain in force until they shall be continued between the United States and China a new treaty respecting the coming of Chinese persons into the United States and until appropriate laws shall be passed to carry into effect the provisions thereof.

Section 3. That the secretary of the treasury is hereby authorized and empowered to make and prescribe and from time to time change such rules and regulations as he may deem necessary and proper to execute the provisions of this act and of the acts hereby extended and continued and of said treaty of Dec. 8, 1894, and with the approval of the president to appoint such agents as he may deem necessary for the efficient execution of said treaty and said acts.

Mr. Wynne Confirmed.

Washington, April 16.—The senate today confirmed the nomination of Robert A. Wynne, of Pennsylvania, to be first assistant postmaster general.

PHILIPPINES TARIFF AROUSES PROTESTS

Not Only the British but the German Government Has Lodged Complaint.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, April 16.—Not only the British but the German government has lodged a strong protest with the state department against the application of that part of the Philippine tariff act recently enacted and just ordered into operation which authorizes the rebate of a portion of the export duties on Philippine products when imported into the United States. The greater matter of complaint is hemp, which is imported into England and Germany in vast quantities from Manila. The rebate afforded to American importers will amount it is alleged, to a difference of 3-8 cent a pound in favor of the American rope maker, a discrimination which will practically destroy the British and German trade according to the protestants.

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THE BRITISH PEACE TERMS

Their Broad Lines Are Now Well Understood in Pretoria.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

London, April 16.—The Associated Press has excellent authority for saying that up to a late hour tonight there have been no definite developments in the matter of the peace negotiations. The Associated Press learns that Lord Milner, the British high commissioner in South Africa has defined certain propositions on which peace may almost immediately be secured but the cabinet at its meeting today is said to have disagreed upon the merits of Lord Milner's terms.

"Sparrring for time," best describes the present status of the negotiations either side being willing to risk a decision which would break off the present conference. An agreement may be reached at any moment but this would more likely be the result of semi-independent action by Lord Milner and Lord Kitchener at Pretoria, than of the rather involved conditional decisions of the cabinet at London.

The broad lines of Great Britain's terms are now known to the government and the cabinet at Pretoria and on these representatives the cabinet is apparently shifting the responsibility of taking advantage of all opportunities provided no cardinal principles be sacrificed.

The government has ordered the cable and telegraph lines between London and Pretoria to be kept clear to insure the prompt transmission of Lord Kitchener's messages. There is good reason to believe that the Boers are vigorously demanding a representative government and that this demand is opposed with equal vigor by the British representatives. It is understood that the Boers strongly object to the long delay proposed by Great Britain before a representative government be granted the former republics and that they also insist on the number of Boer seats in the council being specified.

STATEMENT OF DOCTRINE.

Progress of the Presbyterian Creed Revision Committee.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, April 16.—The Presbyterian committee on creed revision today practically completed the brief statement of doctrine. Today the committee framed articles on the law, the church and its sacraments, the judgment and missions and the final triumph of the church.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

New York, April 16.—By the death of Mrs. Henrietta A. Webb, widow of William H. Webb, foremost of automobile ship builders and founder of the Webb academy and home for blind children, the Herald will say tomorrow the toll of the great fortune amassed by Mr. Webb will go to the academy and home, which bears his name, and is located at Kings Bridge, in Bronx borough. The exact amount the academy will receive is not known, owing to the fluctuation of the securities in which the estate had been invested before Mr. Webb's death in 1899, but it is expected it will ultimately receive in the neighborhood of \$1,000,000.

Queen Wilhelmina III.

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VICTORY FOR RECIPROcity.

Friends of the Measure Are Successful in the House.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, April 16.—The friends of the Cuban reciprocity bill won a substantial victory in the house today by carrying a motion to close general debate on Friday, 3 to 2. The vote was 153 to 123. Thirty-three Republicans voted against the motion, but this defection was offset by 33 Democrats who voted with the great body of the Republicans for it. The strength of the Republican opposition to the bill, judged by the vote, has decreased six since the vote was taken on the motion to go into committee of the whole to consider the bill, when the vote stood 167 to 80.

TROUBLES IN BELGIUM

Brussels Agitated by Dynamite and Debates on Revision of Constitution.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Brussels, April 16.—The diplomatic, private and public galleries of the chamber of representatives were filled to their capacity today when the debate on the proposed revision of the constitution began. M. Beernaert, the former president of the chamber, and secretary of state, opened the discussion. He was frequently interrupted by M. Van Der Wedde, the Socialist leader, with shouts of "Universal suffrage is supreme."

The promised great demonstration in the streets after the adjournment of the chamber dwindled to the appearance of 200 persons, who accompanied the Socialist deputies to the office of their organ, Le Peuple, where M. Van Der Wedde, from a window, addressed the crowd. He said today's proceedings in the chamber had not modified the situation and that the government was still recalcitrant and had shifted the responsibility for a dissolution of parliament, which the revisionists would demand if the chamber rejects the proposal to revise the constitution, to the king, who they said had been silent.

The collapse of the proposed demonstration was traceable to the drenching rain and overwhelming precautions taken by the police, which seem to place further serious disturbances in Brussels out of the question.

A feeling is gaining ground that the government will entirely reject the proposed revision of the constitution.

A dynamite cartridge was exploded during the day on the railroad track near Arlon. The explosion badly damaged the railroad bridge, but traffic was not interrupted. Serious disorders have occurred at Cockerill, in the coal fields of Seraing. A detachment of lancers was compelled to repeatedly charge a mob numbering about 2,000 persons, engaging in throwing stones at the troops. Many people were injured. The cases in which the rioters took refuge were sacked.

ALL MINES AT DU BOIS WILL RESUME WORK

Differences Between the Rochester and Pittsburg Miners and Operators Are Settled.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

DuBois, Pa., April 16.—All mines of the Rochester and Pittsburg Coal and Iron company will positively resume operations tomorrow morning. The following notices were posted this evening:

PRICE OF OIL GOES UP.

Advance Credited to Recent Purchase by Standard Company.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 16.—The price of oil was today pushed up five cents a barrel on the first grades and 3 cents on the lesser, restoring the last of the three successive cuts made in January last. This advance is credited to the recent purchase by the Standard Oil company of the immense holdings of the Guffey and Gailley oil interests in the West Virginia district. This deal was made on a basis of 90c per barrel, or \$1,080,000. The property includes 40,000 acres of producing territory. This purchase makes the totals of the Standard's investments in West Virginia between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000.

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OPENING OF CONFERENCE

Sessions Are Being Presided Over by Bishop S. M. Merrill, the Senior of the Board.

REV. J. B. SWEET WAS CHOSEN SECRETARY

It is the Fifth Successive Year That He Has Been Called Upon to Act in That Capacity—The Standing Committees Named—Part of Yesterday Afternoon Was Devoted to the Receipt of Report and Collections, and This Was Followed by the Memorial Services—Tribute of Rev. C. M. Giffin, D. D., to the Late Rev. Richard H. Dorn.

Special to the Scranton Tribune.

Waverly, N. Y., April 16.—The annual session of the Wyoming conference opened this morning in the church of which Rev. J. W. Nicholson, formerly of Scranton, is pastor. Bishop S. M. Merrill is presiding over the conference, which gives promise of being one of great interest and profit.

Waverly contains about 5000 inhabitants. It seems that about every third person is a Methodist preacher or his wife. The ministers in attendance upon the Wyoming conference are quartered in every section of the town and will even be found at Sayre, Athens and other nearby places. As the conference grows in numbers, the problem of entertaining the large body of clergymen will become more difficult and the smaller towns will be less eager to have the honor of a conference gathering.

This was to be Carbondale's year—a fitting continuance of its semi-centennial celebration but Carbondale's beautiful scenery was marred by a visit as Waverly had invited the session there previously. It was selected at this time. The first Wyoming conference was held in Carbondale, July 7, 1852. Bishop Scott presiding.

The church is pleasing in architecture and attractive but rather small for the vast congregation that will throng it this week. The pastor, Rev. J. W. Nicholson, is among the best beloved in the whole conference and Waverly with its exclusive and fastidious tastes would scarcely exchange him for any other.

Waverly has one paper, the Weekly Free Press. This week it is issuing a daily edition which is beautifully printed and up to date. It contains portraits of Bishop Merrill, Dr. Sweet and Dr. Hard. Its editor, Mr. Genung is one of the leading men in this conference. Indeed the Methodists claim many of the most prominent citizens.

CONVENTION OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS

Meeting to Select Candidates for Vacancies in Honolulu, Porto Rico and Elsewhere.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Cincinnati, O., April 16.—The house of bishops of the Episcopal church convened here today to select bishops of Salina, Western Kansas; of Honolulu and of Porto Rico and probably of Mexico, and to transact other business that was referred to the recent session in San Francisco, to this adjourned meeting.

The meeting opened this forenoon with a celebration of the holy communion at Christ church. Immediately afterwards the bishops went into executive session. Bishop Dudley, of Louisville, presiding. Over fifty of the eighty American bishops were present, including some from distant missionary fields. Many prominent rectors and laymen are also present.

NATIONAL GUARD ORDERS.

Current Season for Rifle Practice Will Open May 1.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Harrisburg, Pa., April 16.—An order was issued from National Guard headquarters tonight, as follows: The current season for rifle practice will open May 1 and will close October 31, 1902. It was supposed that an exchange of arms would have been effected prior to May 1, 1902, and that a new or improved arm would have been used during the current season of rifle practice. The contemplated exchange of arms depends upon the result of legislation now pending in the congress of the United States. Should this legislation be enacted, the exchange may be effected during the year. Until this exchange is made, rifle practice will be conducted with the present arm.

MALVAR SURRENDERS UNCONDITIONALLY

Organized Resistance on Part of Filipino Has Been Terminated in the North.

PRESIDENT PALMA EN ROUTE FOR CUBA

His First Important Act Will Be Formation of a Cabinet—Will Reach Havana May 1.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, April 16.—President-elect Tomas Estrada Palma, of the new Cuban republic, passed through here this afternoon en route to Cuba. He will visit a number of Cuban cities and towns, going first to Jirena, thence to Holguin and his native home, Bayamo. From there, the president-elect will proceed to Manzanillo and Santiago and go to Havana about May 3.

General Wheaton Is Especially Pleased with the Care of Natives Confined in the Camps—People of Manila Delighted at the Prospect of a Resumption of Trade with the Pacified Provinces and Are Anxious to Show Their Appreciation of the Fact That the Insurrection Is Really Over.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Manila, April 16.—General Malvar has unconditionally surrendered to Brigadier General J. Franklin Bell at Lipa, Batangas province, with the entire insurgent force of the provinces of Laguna and Batangas. General Bell says his (Bell's) influence is sufficient to quell the insurrectionary movements in Tayabas and Cavite provinces and capture all those in the field who have not yet surrendered, but Malvar has not derived the complete surrender of every insurgent to the nearest American force.

General Wheaton, reporting to the division headquarters, says that all resistance in his department has ended and that the surrenders just announced mean that the ports will be opened and that the Filipinos in the detention camps can be allowed to return to their homes in time to plant the crops.

General Wheaton is especially pleased with General Bell's care of the natives confined in the camps. The officers in charge are held personally responsible for the quality and quantity of the food served out and for the general welfare of the occupants of the camps.

After scouring the mountain passes, General Bell employed volunteer bolomen for protection against Ladronesism. Numbers of Filipinos volunteered and expressed the liveliest satisfaction at the treatment accorded to themselves and to their families, who were in the concentration camps.

General Wheaton gives General Bell great credit for his indefatigability in conducting the campaign. He was in the field on horseback day and night, personally superintending the most arduous operations. The people of Manila are delighted at the prospect of a resumption of trade with the pacified provinces and are anxious to show Generals Chaffee, Wheaton and Bell their appreciation of the fact that the insurrection is really over.

About 3,200 rifles have been received by the American officers in Batangas and Laguna provinces during the past four months.

General Malvar personally requested an interview with General Bell in order to make his complete submission. The lack of news from the island of Samar is due to a defective cable. It is believed that the American commander there received, yesterday, the surrender of all the insurgents in Samar, unless the planned proceedings were altered.

THE POPE VERY FEEBLE

Alarming Reports of His Sudden Death Have Caused Activity Among Aspiring Cardinals.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Rome, April 16.—The recent signs of the increased feebleness of the pope, which led, at the end of last week to alarming reports of his sudden death, have caused a marked recrudescence of activity among the cardinals aspiring to the pontificate. The campaign preparatory to the next conclave proceeds incessantly, the sacred college being divided into two distinct forces, headed respectively by Cardinal Rampolla, the secretary of state and Cardinal Vannutelli. The latter and Cardinal Gotti, now constitute the most probable successors to Leo XIII.

AT CHARLESTON EXPOSITION.

Governors of Pennsylvania and Virginia Attend the Fair.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Charleston, S. C., April 16.—Pennsylvania and Virginia celebrated at the exposition today. Governor Stone and Governor Montague, with their staffs, were here with a goodly delegation from both states. Two companies of the Virginia militia and the Virginia military institute cadets attended the exposition. The exercise for the two states were merged, consisting merely of welcoming addresses and replies by the two executives with a pleasant exchange of compliments. The Pennsylvaniaans and their headquarters at their handsome building, and in the afternoon held exercises there, formally transferring the structure to the exposition.

Governor Longino, of Mississippi, was here today, having come quite informally and without attendance, to see the exposition. He was included in the party of Pennsylvaniaans and Virginians at the exposition.

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STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

New York, April 16.—Arrived: Teutonic, Liverpool and Queenstown; Cleared: La Choupanne, Havre; Deutschland, Hamburg; Friedrich der Grosse, Bremen via Chesapeake; Sulted, Philadelphia; Southampton; Germania, Liverpool; Valparaiso, Antwerp; Palatia, Naples and Genoa; Cherbourg—Arrived: Patricia, New York; Rotterdam—Arrived: Rotterdam, New York; Queenstown—Arrived: Majestic, New York for Liverpool; Southampton—Arrived: St. Louis, New York.

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