TO[illegible]OW UP A BRITISH SHIP.

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NONE OF THE [illegible]EW[illegible] INJURED.

While the Crew Were Asleep an Explosion Occurred, Due to an Agent Operating From the Outside--Plates Started and Water Let Into the Ship--No Explosives on Board.

New Orleans, La. (Special).—What is regarded as an attempt of a Boer sympathizer to blow up a British transport occurred shortly after midnight, when there was a terrific explosion at the stock landing where the Harrison steamer Mechanician is moored. The Mechanician is to carry mules to South Africa. The explosion shook houses, rattled dishes and awakened people for some distance around. Most of the crew of the ship were asleep, but the explosion brought them quickly from their berths to the deck. An examination showed a large dent in the starboard side of the ship. Two plates at the water's edge had been sprung and considerable water was let into the ship. Pumps were immediately put to work, and when daylight came it was found the vessel was in no danger of sinking, and that the damage done was not serious. The crew of the vessel denied that there was any explosives on board, and there seems little doubt, according to the statements of those who examined the ship, that the explosion was from the outside and that some sort of bomb or torpedo had been used.

Alfred Leblanc, general agent of the Harrison Line, visited the Mechanician and a report of the damage done was submitted to him. He said three large plates on the starboard side of the boat had been stove in and 16 rivets had been broken off or knocked completely from their places. As the ship was making considerable water it was decided to shift the ballast so as to lift the damaged section out of the water. It is thought the damage can be repaired here. Agent Leblanc said the Mechanician will be loaded with a cargo of mules and get away for South Africa as soon as possible.

A British officer, who was on the ship said the explosion was terrific, and that a column of water went high up in the air and came down on deck.

Many of the muleteers, who have from time to time left the city on the British transports, have returned with complaints of ill treatment, and a number of suits are now pending against British ships in the Federal courts.

EXPRESS IN WRECK.

Observation and Parlor Car Plunge Down an Embankment.

Buffalo, N. Y. (Special).—The two rear cars, a Pullman observation coach and a parlor car on the Lehigh Valley [illegible]ilroad Company's "Black Diamond [illegible]ress," which left this city at noon [illegible]w York and Philadelphia, jump[illegible]e track and broke loose from the remainder of the train at North Leroy, 10 miles east of Batavia, shortly after noon. The train was running over 50 miles an hour at the time.

The parlor car remained on the ties, and no person in it was injured, but the observation car plunged down the embankment and dropped over on its side in the ditch. It was badly demolished, but only a few of its occupants, including Pullman conductor and porter, were injured, and they not seriously.

The cause of the accident is a mystery. Where the observation car went down the embankment the rails seem[illegible]d to have spread toward the edge. At [illegible]e office of the Lehigh Valley Rail[illegible]oad Company in this city it was stated [illegible]at the train was on time, but was [illegible]nning at the rate of between 55 and [illegible] miles an hour. The accident oc[illegible]rred at precisely 12.40 o'clock, and [illegible] hours later the passengers, including the injured, continued on their way.

Fire in Illinois Town.

[illegible]hampaign, Ill. (Special).—The busi[illegible] portion of Rantoul, a town of 3,000 [illegible]e, was destroyed by fire. Telegraph [illegible]unication was cut off almost at the [illegible]ning of the fire, and details are [illegible]g. The fire started in a grain ele[illegible] The Illinois Central depot burn[illegible]xt, and the flames spread to the [illegible]s section.

A Postoffice Clerk Pardoned.

[illegible]mbus, O. (Special).—President [illegible]y has granted a pardon to John [illegible]y, serving a three years' sentence [illegible]hio Penitentiary. Bulley was a [illegible] the Toledo Postoffice and was [illegible] of stealing, opening and de[illegible] large number of letters. He is [illegible]o citizenship. His term would [illegible]ed in September.

[illegible]b Exploded in a Church.

[illegible]y Cable).—A bomb was ex[illegible] the altar of the Church of [illegible]t Troyes, doing considerable [illegible] the thirteenth century win[illegible]ot injuring any of the hun[illegible]dren who, together with a [illegible]in the sacred edifice at the [illegible]niard has been arrested on [illegible]eing the author of the out[illegible]

[illegible]h of Tilly Haynes.

[illegible]ecial).—Tilly Haines, one [illegible]own hotel proprietors in [illegible]here, aged 73 years. He [illegible]tor of the United States [illegible] of the Broadway Cen[illegible] York city. Death was [illegible]al breaking up of the [illegible]anced age.

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[illegible]AIRS.

Hawaiians Ask Protection.

The Interior Department has received a resolution passed by the Hawaiian Legislature praying that Congress impose a duty on all coffee imported from other countries "and in this way protect that industry in Hawaii and other parts of the United States."

The resolution will be forwarded to Congress at the opening of next session. It says that the coffee industry in Hawaii is now in a depressed condition and is threatened to be abandoned on account of low prices and removal of protective duty on all coffee imported into the republic of Hawaii before the annexation and the large amounts imported into the United States from Brazil, Mexico, Central America and other countries free of duty. The resolution refers to the large coffee area, the amount of American capital invested there and inability to compete with the low prices where cheap labor is employed, as in the countries mentioned.

Sampson May Be Relieved.

Application at an early date by Rear-Admiral W. T. Sampson for retirement as commandant of the Boston Navy Yard is expected here, and it is said officially that the Navy Department officials have selected an officer for an assignment to that duty.

Admiral Sampson has been in delicate health for some time and it would not surprise the officials here should he seek an early relief from duty. Thus far the Admiral has made no request for relief. It is regarded as practically settled that he will not be continued on active duty until the date of retirement under the age provision next February.

Dispatches from Boston stated that Admiral Sampson would be relieved on September 1 by Rear-Admiral Johnson but this could not be officially confirmed.

Checks Cannot Be Returned.

Banks and other owners of imprinted checks and drafts have requested that the Internal Revenue Bureau cancel each check sent for redemption in such a manner as to render its further use possible and then return to its original owner.

They were informed that under the existing law it seemed impossible to comply with these requests. The Commissioner says that the extent to which these checks and drafts are being sent in for redemption shows that large pecuniary loss will fall upon banks and owners if the checks and drafts are destroyed after refund is made for the stamps thereon.

Upholds Civil Service Law.

The Civil Service Commission has disapproved the temporary appointments of Examiners Groves, McDonald, Bretzfelder, Jerome and Michales in the [illegible] of Appraiser Wakeman in New [illegible]

The commission held that the appo[illegible]ment of these five men was illegal [illegible]cause they were not qualified under Section 2940 of the Revised Statutes. Secretary Gage has approved the action of the Civil Service Commission and directed Appraiser Wakeman to dismiss these men and to return the men recently transferred from his office to the docks for the examination of baggage to their original positions.

The vacancies created are to be filled from the Civil Service lists.

Historians to Meet.

The State Department has received a note from the secretary of the Italian Embassy, Mr. Carignani, in regard to the International Congress of Historical Sciences to be held in Rome in the spring of 1902.

The promoting committee asks that the Government of the United States send delegates to the congress and invites the participation of American scientists, artists and men of letters. The congress will include all subjects of a historical character.

The program of exercises has not yet been definitely decided. Suggestions for themes will be received until January, 1902.

To Protect Passengers.

Charles Page Bryan, United States Minister to Brazil, has transmitted to the State Department a translation of the regulations recently adopted in regard to the arrest of passengers leaving Brazilian ports on outgoing foreign steamers.

The order provides that the Chief of Police shall notify in writing the consular agents of the country to which the steamer in question belongs, or in cases of urgency, the captain of the steamer, of his intention to detain one of its passengers.

Capital News in General.

Mr. Russell, the United States charge d'affaires at Caracas, Venezuela, has been authorized by the State Department to use his good graces as the representative of Colombia in case the Colombian minister should withdraw from Venezuela. This is in response to Mr. Russell's request for instructions.

Rear Admiral Mortimer L. Johnson, commandant of the Port Royal Naval Station, has been selected to succed Real Admiral Sampson as commandant of the Boston Navy Yard.

Capt. N. H. Hall has been commended by the Navy Department for his work at Pekin.

The August report on crops from the Agricultural Department shows the following: Average condition of wheat, 80.3; corn, 54.0; oats, 73.6; barley, 86.9 Average condition corn declined 27.

The report of the board of survey on the cruiser Columbia, now at New York, is to the effect that she will not be in condition to receive men until thoroughly cleaned and fumigated.

The Navy Department has ordered the battleship Wisconsin, now at the Puget Sound Naval Station, to San Francisco, to be in readiness there to proceed to Panama in case the State Department asks for a war vessel on the Pacific side of the isthmus.

Our New Possessions.

Civil Governor Taft in the immediate future will reduce the police force of Manila by one-half. At present there are 1300 policemen for the city, whose population only numbers 250,000 souls. The Governor considers it unnecessary to have over 600 policemen, as they are not required for military purposes.

Commissary General Weston asserts that the original reports of the frauds in the commissary department were much exaggerated and that the total money loss to the government turns out to be only $750.

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New York [illegible]
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"Failures for the week were 173 in [illegible]he United States, against 177 last year, [illegible]nd 31 in Canada, against 23 last year."

Bradstreet's says:

"Wheat, including flour, shipments [illegible]or the week aggregate 8,832,199 bush[illegible]els, against 6,463,391 last week, and 3,318,760 in the corresponding week of 1900.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

Flour—Best Patent, $4.45; High Grade Extra, $3.95; Minnesota bakers, $2.90a3.10.

Wheat—New York, No. 2 red, 77½c; Philadelphia, No. 2 red, 73¼a74c; Baltimore, 74½c.

Corn—New York, No. 2, 61⅜c; Philadelphia, No. 2, 59½a60c; Baltimore, No. 2, 62a63c.

Oats—New York, No. 2, 39c; Philadelphia, No. 2 white, 45c; Baltimore, No. 2 white, 42a43c.

Rye—New York, No. 2, 59½c; Philadelphia, No. 2, 58c; Baltimore, No. 2, 56c.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $16.00a16.50; No. 2 timothy, $15.00a15.50; No. 3 timothy, $14.00a14.50.

Green Fruits and Vegetables—Apples, ber bbl., fancy, $2.00a2.25; fair to good, $1.50a1.75. Beets, per bunch, ¾a1c. Blackberries, per quart, Rochelle, 4a5c. Cabbage, per 100, Flat Dutch, $3.00a4.00. Cantaloupes, Gems, per basket, 25a40c; native, large, per 100, $4.00a6.00. Carrots, per bunch 1½a2c. Corn, per dozen, 4a5c. Damsons, Md. and Va., per bbl. $4.00a4.50. Eggplants, per basket, 60a65c. Huckleberries, per quart, 7a8c. Onions, per half-bbl basket, 60a65c. Peaches, yellows, 75ca$1.00; reds, 65a80c. Pears, Manning Elizabeth, per basket, 50a75c; Bartletts, per basket, 35a50c. Pineapples, Florida, per crate, as to size, $2.00a3.25. Plums, 8-lb basket, 12a15c. Squash, per basket, 15a20c. String Beans, per bus, 65a75c. Tomatoes, 2 basket carrier, 75ca$1.00; Anne Arundel, per basket, 30a40c. Watermelons, per 100 selects, $18.00a22.00.

Live Poultry—Hens, 10½c; old roosters, each, 25a30c; spring chickens, 14c; ducks, 7a8½c; spring ducks, 8a10c.

Potatoes—White—New York river, per bbl, No. 1, $2.50a3.00; do, do, culls and seconds, $1.50a2.00; do, do, Rappahannock, per bbl. Rose, $2.60a2.90; do, do, Chili R. per bbl, $2.50a2.75; do, do, seconds, per bbl, $1.25a2.00; do, Eastern Shore Md., per bbl, $2.50a3.00; do, do, Va., per bbl, $2.50a3.00; do, native, per bushel box, 90ca$1.00; do, Md. and Pa., per bus, 80a90c. Sweets—New North Carolina, per bbl, yellows, $3.00a4.00; do, do, Eastern Shore Virginia, per bbl, yellows, $3.50a4.50; do, do, red, per bbl, $2.00a2.50. Yams—New, per bbl, $2.50a2.75.

Provisions and Hog Products—Bulk rib sides, 9½c; clear do, 9¾c; shoulders, 8½c; do fat backs, 14 lbs and under, 8¼c; do, 18 lbs and under, 8½c; do, belles, 10½c; do, mess strips, 8½c do, ham butts, 8½c; bacon clear sides, 10¼c; do, clear, 10½c; do, shoulders, 9¼c; sugar-cured breasts, small, 13½c; do, do, 12 lbs and over, 13½; do, do, shoulders, bladecuts, 9½c; do, do, narrows, 9½c; do, do, extra broad, 10¼c; do, do, California hams, 9¾c; hams, 10 lbs, 13 to 13½c; do, 12 lbs and over, 12¾c; do, 15 lbs and over 12½c; do, skinned, 14c; do, beef, Western, canvased and uncanvased sets, 14½c; do, do, tenders, 15½c; mess pork, $16.50; ham pork, $16.00; refined 50-lb cans, 9¼c; do, do, half-barrels and new tubs.

Hides—Heavy steers, association and salters, late kill, 60 lbs and up, close selection, 10a11½c; cows and light steers, 9a9½c.

Eggs—Western Maryland and Pennsylvania, per doz, 14c; Eastern Shore Maryland and Virginia, 14c; Virginia, 14c; Western and West Virginia, 14c; Southern, 13a13½c; guinea, 7c.

Dairy Products—Elgin, 22a23c; separator, extras, 21a22c; do, firsts 20a21c; do, gathered cream, 19a20c; do, imitation, 17a18c; ladle extra, 15a17c; ladles, first, 14a15c; choice Western rolls, 15a16c; fair to good, 13a14c; half-pound creamery, Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania, 21a22c; do, rolls, 2-lb, do, 20c.

Cheese—New cheese, large, 60 lbs, 10¾a10⅞c; do, flats, 37 lbs, 10½a10¾c; do, flats, 37 lbs, 10½a10¾c; picnics, 23 lbs, 11a11½c.

Live Stock.

Chicago.—Cattle—Good to prime steers, $5.60a6.15; stockers and feeders, $2.25a4.00; cows, $2.50a4.40; bulls, $2.50a4.30; calves, choice higher at $3.00a6.50. Hogs—mixed and butchers, $5.70a5.95; good to choice heavy, $5.90a6.07½. Sheep—good to choice wethers, $3.60a4.00; fair to choice mixed, $3.25a3.60; Western sheep, $3.25a4.00; yearlings, $3.75a4.30; native lambs, $2.00a5.15; Western lambs, $4.25a5.15.

East Liberty.—Cattle—Extra, $5.50a5.80; prime, $5.50a5.65; good, $5.20a5.40. Hogs dull and lower; prime heavy $6.05; assorted mediums, $6.00a6.05; best Yorkers, $6.10; light do, $5.90a6.00.

LABOR AND INDUSTRY

"Corn exports for the week aggregate 990,714, against 653,604 last week, and 2,890,754 in this week a year ago."

Fort Worth has 40 unions.

There are 45,000 union merchants.

Philadelphia is to have a labor temple.

Fort Worth has a Woman's Label League.

Brooklyn bricklayers' laborers get $3 a day.

Louisville carpenters get $2.50 for nine hours.

Averaging It Up.

"Last year," she begun, as she halted in front of the grocery to gaze at a pile of watermelons, "last year I bought sixteen different watermelons of you, and not one of them was ripe."

"Yes, I know," replied the grocer.

"And this year—"

"This year, madam, you will buy sixteen others of me, and not one will be green. That's the way it goes, you know. Last year was an off year, while this one is all right. I'll send down that large speckled fellow with a hump to it."

Expressive.

Mrs. Gowanus—What is your father doing, Herbert?

Little Herbert—He wants to find some fact or other, and he is playing hide and seek with the volumes of the Encyclopedia Britannica.

An Unsisterly Fling.

"She is pretty," said the young woman, "but she is so obviously made up."

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "I can't help wondering how she got back from Europe without having duty collected on her as a work of art."

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The experts who heard Dr. Wiley's testimony were pleased to listen to so famous a chemist. The doctor at one point in his testimony explained very clearly how it is that the egg put into the coffee pot by the housewife settles the coffee. He said that the heat coagulates the egg, and as it sinks to the bottom of the pot it carries the fine particles of coffee with it, and thus clarifies the drink. It is the act of coagulation in the coffee pot that does the work. Later on in his cross examination, he admitted that when the egg was put on Ariosa coffee at the factory it became coagulated, and as egg cannot be coagulated but once, that the coating on coffee was practically no value, as a "settler" when it reached the coffee pot.

Professor Wiley acknowledged that the glazing might be a favorable medium for the propagation of bacteria, although he would not testify positively either way because he was not a bacteriologist.

Professor Vaughn, of Ann Arbor, also a witness for the defense, said he found bacteria on Ariosa coffee.

Professor Bleile, another witness for the defense, testified he found any number of lively bacteria on Ariosa coffee he examined, and agreed that glazed coffee surely was a more favorable medium for the propagation of bacteria than unglazed coffee.

Pure Food Commissioner Blackburn says: "The State is very much elated over its victory. We are now considering the advisability of informing every grocer in the State of Ohio that it is an infraction of the laws to sell Ariosa, and at the same time give warning to consumers that the coffee is an adulterated food article."

The verdict of the jury in this case is of national importance because a great many other States have pure food laws like that of Ohio, and it is natural to suppose that similar action will be taken by other Pure Food Commissioners to prevent the sale of glazed coffees.

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In Germany and Switzerland stoves are a part of the house.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, soften the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle

London is to have an automatic ham sandwich machine.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—JOHN F. BOYER, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

An ounce of diplomacy is worth a pound of blunder.

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