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Fair and Colder Sunday, Monday probably fair.



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WILL OF MORGAN IS MADE PUBLIC

An Extraordinary Utterance, Showing Religious Side of Great Financier.

COMMITTS SOUL TO SAVIOUR

Vast Estate Not Specifically Devised—Provision for Art Treasures—Public Charities to be Continued—Other Items

New York, April 19.—"I commit my soul into the hands of my Saviour, in full confidence that having redeemed it and washed it in his most precious blood, he will present it faultless before the throne of my Heavenly Father; and I entreat my children to maintain and defend, at all hazard and at any cost of personal sacrifice, the blessed doctrine of the complete atonement for sin through the blood of Jesus Christ, once offered, and through that alone."

This is the extraordinary and striking utterance which begins the last will and testament of John Pierpont Morgan, who died at Rome on March 31st, last, whose body, heaped over with honors, was buried in the city of Europe, was a fortnight later, brought back to his own land and last Monday was borne to his last resting place at Harrow, England.

Ever since the funeral the publication of the great financier's last will has been awaited with keen expectation and it is safe to say that of all the interesting testaments of eminent citizens of America that Mr. Morgan, to be offered for probate here Monday morning, is by far the most interesting.

As to the amount of the estate, which is one of the first questions the public naturally is asking, there is nothing in the will to give any accurate idea and the executors declare that no announcement will be made on this point until the appraisal has been made for determining the State inheritance tax.

The amount of bequests and trusts, named by specific sums, is under twenty million dollars but the entire residue of the estate is left to J. P. Morgan, Jr., who is designated by his father to become the chief heir not only to his fortune but to his many charitable and artistic activities.

POPE'S BROTHER A VISITOR

Affecting Scene at Bedside of Aged Pontiff—Condition of His Holiness Unchanged With No Recurrence of Fever.

Rome, April 19.—The visit to the Pope today of his brother, Angelo Sarfo, postmaster of the village of Grazie, was one of the tenderest episodes of the sick room. There is a difference in age between them of only one year, but Angelo, with his robust frame seemed ten years younger than the Pope, who appeared thin, languid and pale.

The austere Marchisava, who was present at the meeting declared that the scene was so touching that his own eyes were wet. The presence of the members of his family around him has inspired the Pope with new vigor and the bright sunshine flooding his room this morning, caused him to exclaim: "On such a day as this I cannot imagine that any one could be ill."

Reports of the pontiff's condition tonight indicate that there has been no shock which might cause symptoms. It is pointed out that for four days practically no fever has been present and that the Pope is suffering only from spells of coughing which on occasions are somewhat exhausting.

The bronchial affection is diminishing. The patient, however, is weak and has periods of depression, but with increased ability to take nourishment. It is hoped that the Pope's strength will return and that soon he will be considered out of danger.

Frequently during the height of his illness, the pulse ran above 100; it is now reported to be from 70 to 75. Rumors of various conditions continue to be circulated and it has been reported that Dr. Marchisava has been quarreling over the case. One report had it that Amici insisted that the Pope should have last communion, but that Dr. Marchisava opposed this to avoid the risk of his being refused.

Dr. Marchisava has taken communion every day since his illness began so that in the words of the pontiff himself: "Death will not find me unprepared."

ANTI-ALIEN LAW GIVING TROUBLE

Bryan Makes Known Position of the Washington Government.

Washington, April 19.—President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, following the precedent of previous administrations, today made known their views on the international character of the legislation now pending in California by which Japs would be prevented from owning land in that State.

In a telegram to Governor Johnson, Secretary Bryan expressed the view of President Wilson that the California Assembly bill might be construed as a violation of treaty obligations with Japan while the Senate's measure as drawn could not be so construed.

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THREE KILLED, SCORE INJURED

Premature Explosion of Dynamite on Panama Canal Construction Carries Death to Laborers. Probable Cause.

Panama, April 19.—A premature explosion of dynamite occurred this afternoon between the Pedro Miguel locks and the Miraflores locks of the Panama Canal.

Three men were killed and 23 wounded. Twenty-one thousand pounds of dynamite, which had been drilled "let go" from some unknown cause. The electric wires were not attached and the only explanation seems to be that a sudden formation and generated heat. The explosion occurred just at the moment when firemen had been notified that everything was ready for the blast.

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RATE CONFERENCE AGAIN ADJOURNED

Lengthy and Spirited Session in Raleigh Fails to Bring Agreement.

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COURTS CAN'T DICTATE TO HIM

Governor Blease Signs Requisition for Wire Tappers in Spite of Habeas Corpus Sued Out at Charleston, S. C.

Columbia, S. C., April 19.—A. A. Carter and Frank Tarbeaux, arrested in this State last week on charges of being members of a "wire tapping" gang, Cobb has created throughout several States, left here tonight for New York, under escort of two officers of the New York police force.

Governor Blease this afternoon honored requisition papers from Governor Sulzer for Carter and Tarbeaux for wire tapping, despite the fact that yesterday in Charleston Judge Devore granted a writ of habeas corpus for the two prisoners. When the order was handed to Governor Blease he immediately granted the requisition, saying the courts could not dictate to him.

"TY" BEFORE CONGRESS. Baseball Players' Contracts May be Inquired Into by Committee. Washington, April 19.—The controversy between "Ty" Cobb and the Detroit American Baseball Club management over the signing of Cobb's contract for this season may result in an investigation by Congress to ascertain whether the system of players' contracts of the baseball leagues violates the Sherman anti-trust law or the law against peonage.

Clark Named for Mayor—Other Items of Interest. (Special Star Correspondence.) Clark, N. C., April 19.—A well-attended meeting of citizens was held a few nights ago, and the following names were named to serve the town of Clark in the next year's election: C. C. Clark, Alderman; M. C. Stegall, H. P. Millikin, C. S. Clark. After the nominations were made Hon. L. B. Nease, State Senator, who has been in the neighborhood, expressed his earnest desire to see some move made to drain our immediate neighborhood and town, particularly the construction of an agricultural community, and, therefore, the most essential thing was to get the water off our lands.

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TARIFF REVISION BILL NOW READY

Measure With Few Changes From Report Introduced on Monday.

Washington, April 19.—The Democratic tariff revision bill, with its sweeping reductions, a lengthy free list augmented today by the Ways and Means Committee, and its income tax, now is ready for debate in the House.

Approval later today by the Democratic caucus as amended in two weeks' discussion, and by the committee in minor matters, the bill will be re-introduced Monday by Leader Underwood. It will be reported favorably by the majority of the Ways and Means Wednesday and then introduced for debate. Mr. Underwood predicted that the bill would be passed in the House May 15th.

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OUTLINES

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