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## FRENCH BROAD TO BE CHAINED.

Great Project for Utilization of the Power of the River for Manufacturing and Other Industrial Enterprises.

Plan for a Dam Eighty Feet High and Electric Power House at Eller's Falls.

An Undertaking of Vast Importance to Asheville and Its Surroundings—Scheme Includes a Big Cotton Mill at Marshall. Projectors Have Been ranging for the Work.

Nearly two years ago the Gazette contained an article of some length describing the advantages that might accrue to Asheville by chaining the mighty forces of the French Broad river some miles below the city and utilizing the power for commercial purposes. Today the Gazette is able to state that a vast enterprise on almost the exact lines then foreshadowed will be realized. Only short-sighted cupidity can block the pathway of its progress.

A great volume of water pours down the French Broad river throughout the year. From Asheville toward the low lands of Tennessee it speeds along over many rapids, reaching a descent of thirty-five feet to the mile at the beginning of the falls three miles below the city, and this rapid descent continues to Eller's falls, not far below Alexander, where the big river roars down the steep mountain incline. At Eller's falls the banks of the river rise in lofty cliffs, narrowing the roaring stream. At this point it is proposed to construct a great dam, carrying the level of the river far up the mountain sides, and from above this dam a canal is projected to lead westward parallel with the river and furnish the stupendous force that can run mills and light towns and give motive power to electric railroads. The scheme approaches that realized at Niagara falls and surpasses that which made Fall River the greatest of New England manufacturing towns. It casts in the shade the water power project under development by the North Carolina company on the Yadkin river.

During the last fortnight the men who are preparing to undertake this great enterprise have been at work on their plans in Asheville, Marshall and at Eller's falls, which, by a road they have surveyed, is fourteen miles below the city. Among the men who have been engaged in this work are W. B. Ellis, of the W. B. Ellis tobacco manufacturing firm of Winston, and State Attorney General Reynolds. The arrangements for the great undertaking have so far been completed that a representative of the company that will establish the power plant has now gone to New York on a quest for machinery. It is stated that the deal will be closed this week. The one danger of postponement or that the enterprise will be abandoned at the last moment, lies in the fear that some property owners may demand excessive prices for land that will be needed by the company. The projectors of the enterprise have also been examining a site on the Catawba river, but only contingent on the failure to accomplish their aims here.

The ultimate plan at Eller's falls is to construct a dam across the river one hundred feet high, but this height has been reduced for present purposes to eighty feet. This will bank up the river in a vast lake between the mountain

ranges lining the river, for eight miles back toward Asheville. This fall of eighty feet will be increased by the lower level reached by the projection of the canal down stream, so that when the water pours into the turbine wheels that will develop the power it will fall from a height exceeding a hundred feet. Along the canal below the falls will be located the power stations. Shafts from water wheels will carry the developed power to the dynamos or wheels located in the power house. By electric wires the electric power perfected in the dynamos will be transmitted to the mills of Asheville and other places, or for lighting the city or for electric roads. The company will not stop at the development of the power to be obtained from the river, but proposes to establish manufacturing plants. Their plans include

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## ARGUMENTS BEGUN IN LAKE CITY CASE

Government Counsel Fiercely Attacks Witnesses Who Swore to Alibis.

Charlotte, S. C., April 19.—Arguments in the Lake City lynching trial were begun today. Special Counsel Bryan, for the government, made a strong plea for the prosecution, and was fierce in his attack on the witnesses who swore to the patched-up alibis of the defendants. Speaking of the county officials who had been called on to testify, he said they had deliberately altered and defaced the records to help the prisoners.

George Legare, who spoke for the defense, said the Lake City crime could be laid at the feet of President McKinley, because he had persisted in putting negroes here in office over white men. The arguments won't be concluded till Friday, when the case goes to the jury.

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## AGAINST REVISION

Court of Cassation Will Deliver Decision May 1.

Will Reject Application for a Retrial of Condemned Dreyfus.

Government Urging Immediate Decision With This Understanding.

Mistake in Application—Decision May Intimate That a New Appeal May Be Granted.

Paris, April 19.—It is now an open secret that the decision of the court of cassation, which will probably be delivered May 1, will be a rejection of the application for revision in the Dreyfus case. This appalling news has spread consternation and despair among the friends of justice, and has already evoked manifold forebodings of the speedy downfall of the republic. Such would be the inevitable effect of a persistence in the suicidal policy advocated by the anti-Dreyfusites.

The government is urging an immediate decision with the understanding that it be against revision. It would

**NEXT  
SUNDAY'S GAZETTE  
(April 23.)**

Will Consist of  
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be hard to believe the officials could be guilty of such an insane act were an explanation not forthcoming accounting for their position. The truth is the counsel who drew up Mme. Dreyfus' petition made a serious mistake in basing the application upon the ground of the discovery of new facts. New facts had no connection with Dreyfus, and the court has no option but to discuss the application if it follows the usual judicial course of refusing to go beyond the matter directly before it. But the redeeming feature of the situation is that the decision will contain a pretty plain intimation that if the application to quash is made on the ground of the illegal nature of Dreyfus' condemnation, it will be granted. If this intimation is made, counsel for Dreyfus will present a new application, which has been already prepared.

The report that Loubet will pardon Dreyfus cannot be accepted.

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## QUAY STILL HAS MAJORITY

Pennsylvania Legislature Adjourns without Electing Senator.

Harrisburg, April 19.—At 12 o'clock tomorrow the present legislature will adjourn sine die without electing Quay's successor in the senate. The final ballot was taken today and left Quay still the majority candidate. His lieutenants boast tonight they have achieved all they desired and intimate that Quay will control the state convention in August and name the ticket which cannot be defeated, but the anti-Quay leaders declare that the people will vindicate their position. An extra session of the legislature seems unavoidable.

**DEFENSE BEGINS TODAY.**

Testimony of Accountant Examiner Favorable to Quay.

Philadelphia, April 19.—The commonwealth closed its case in the Quay trial today, and tomorrow the defense will begin. Expert Accountant Goldsmith was the only witness of importance examined today, and an adroit cross-examination of him by the attorneys for the defense brought out several things favorable to Quay. It is not known what line the defense will take up.

## REED RETIRES FROM CONGRESS

Definite Announcement Yesterday—Candidates for Speakership.

Washington, April 19.—The definite announcement in New York today that Speaker Reed had decided to enter the law firm of Simpson, Thatcher & Barnum caused surprise and regret in Washington. His departure from Washington will be a severe loss to the republicans. The canvass for the speakership will begin at once, but the chances of none of the candidates can yet be accurately estimated. It will be a battle between the east and west, with Sherman and Payne, of New York, as probable eastern candidates, and Hepburn, of Iowa; Hopkins, of Illinois, and Grosvenor, of Ohio, as the western men.

## SILVER THE ISSUE.

Denver, Colo., April 19.—Senator Teller and Congressman Shafroth, in statements published today, emphatically declare in favor of maintaining the silver organization throughout the union. They say the silver question will be the paramount issue in 1900.

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## A BOMB EXPLODED

Outrage Committed Yesterday at Manzanillo.

House Destroyed, Three Persons Killed and Many Injured.

Work of a Gang of Conspirators Opposed to the Cuban General

The Dynamite Machine Was Exploded During Demonstration in Honor of Gomez.

Havana, April 19.—The chief of police of Havana has received a despatch from Manzanillo stating that while the demonstration in honor of Gomez was going on there today a dynamite bomb was exploded in Oro street, completely destroying a house. Three persons were killed and many injured. Evidence has been elicited to prove that the explosion was the work of a gang of conspirators, enemies of Gomez, who have headquarters in Havana.

## IMPORTANT ARMY CHANGES

Gen. Geo. W. Davis to Succeed Henry in Porto Rico—Shafter's Successor.

Washington, April 19.—Brigadier General George W. Davis will succeed General Henry as governor general of Porto Rico. Davis is lieutenant colonel of the Ninth Infantry, in the regular service and is at present serving on the court of inquiry. Another change of importance is expected shortly. General Shafter retires in October. He will probably be succeeded in command of the department of California by General Brooke and General Wade will succeed Brooke as governor of Cuba. Wade will eventually become commanding general of the army.

## THREE CHILDREN BURNED.

Fire in Adams County, Indiana, Orphan's Home.

Indianapolis, April 19.—Fire broke out in the Adams county Orphan's Home at Bernie today and the lives of fifty-seven children were endangered. Three children were cut off from rescue, and were burned to death.

## FLORIDA SENATOR ELECTED.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 19.—James P. Tallafem, of Jacksonville, was elected United States senator today on the first ballot, taken by the legislature in joint session. He succeeds Pascoe.

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