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## A NAVAL POLICE

### War Vessels Under Watson in the Philippines.

Sufficient Now to Patrol the Entire Archipelago.

Extreme Percentage of Sickness Among Troops in Service.

Regiments Unable to Muster a Large Part of Their Strength Even Before Rainy Season Began.

Washington, July 13.—The navy department has received from Manila a complete list of Spanish vessels purchased by Otis with the addition of these Admiral Watson will have a sufficient number of light craft to thoroughly police the archipelago. Twelve gunboats and one torpedo boat were included in Otis' purchase and the fleet has been increased, either by purchase or capture, by several tugs and barges, and the nine gunboats captured by Dewey are still serviceable.

**ILLNESS AMONG THE TROOPS.**  
San Francisco, July 13.—Advises from Manila received by the transport Newport, date of June 11, are as follows: The volunteers are greatly debilitated in consequence of hard campaigning through three months of tropical weather. In the middle of May no volunteer regiment had a sick list of less than 20 per cent. The Nebraska regiment suffered the worst. It came from San Fernando a few days ago with less than 200 men in ranks. South Dakota followed with 275 men only. Montana and Kansas regiments had not more than 300 available men each. The morning after the Washington troops took Morong, a week ago, only 263 men responded to roll call. Twenty-four Nebraska officers are on the sick list, and the Montana, Kansas and South Dakota regiments show twenty or more officers in hospitals or sick in quarters.

**OTIS WANTS CAVALRY.**  
Washington, July 13.—A despatch from General Otis asks that 2,500 horses be sent him in order that a brigade of cavalry may be organized for use at the end of the rainy season. General Otis tried the horses in the islands, but none of them seem available.

**ARMED TRANSPORTS.**  
Washington, July 13.—The navy department has consented to turn over to the ordinance bureau of the army sixteen six-pounder rifles for use on army transports engaged in carrying troops to and from the Philippines. The troops have been entirely without armament.

It is said today by army officers that if the Filipinos had been enterprising enough to mount some of the guns they took from the Spanish gunboats at Zamboanga they might have captured or destroyed some of the army transports. One officer hinted that word had been received that the Filipinos were arming some vessels, and this was the real reason why army transports were to have modern rifles. The guns are at the Brooklyn navy yard, and will be shipped immediately to the Washington ordinance factory for some slight alterations before being installed on board transports at San Francisco.

Ladies Tan Oxfords, solid leather, 85 cents. G. A. Mears.

Music, Skating, Dancing at the Casino tonight. Excellent Orchestra.

Men's \$4.00 Vici Kid Shoes at \$2.75. G. A. Mears.

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**OF THE FAMOUS Rattlesnake GEORGIA MELONS**

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### YEAR'S FIRST COTTON BALE GOES TO FLOOD-SUFFERERS

Plan to Auction it Off at Various Cotton Exchanges.

Austin, Tex., July 13.—Southwest Texas holds the record for growing and ginning the first bale of cotton of the season. A telegram from Sinton, Tex., was received this morning by the governor, saying: "We send you by express today the first bale of cotton raised and ginned in the United States this year, for the benefit of the flood sufferers."

It is proposed to send the bale to all of the cotton exchanges of the United States and at each place it will be auctioned to the highest bidder and the proceeds donated to the aid of the flood sufferers. From here the bale will be shipped to New Orleans.

### BROOKE WILL ISSUE A DECREE TO CUBANS

Allowing Them to Choose Their Nationality—Well Received.

Havana, July 13.—Governor General Brooke will issue a decree allowing Cubans, who, during their insurrection here, changed their nationality, to become citizens again by registering in Havana or their native cities. Cubans who claim they became Americans for political reasons only will now have an opportunity to resign their nationality. This news has caused a good effect upon independent Cubans who consider it an indication that the independence of the islands will be recognized in a very short time. Very few Cuban-Americans will take advantage of the decree, preferring American citizenship.

### JONES WILL NOT RESIGN.

Washington, July 13.—The Post today says: Senator Jones, of Arkansas, will not resign his position as chairman of the national democratic committee. This can be stated authoritatively, once for all. Two letters were received from him in this city yesterday in which he not only makes clear his intention of remaining at the head of the committee, but outlines work upon which he intends to engage as soon as he returns to the United States. His letters were dated at a town in Switzerland, and reported the senator as improving in health.

It is not known here whether Senator Jones will send a letter to be read at the meeting of the national committee in Chicago next week but if he does not the members of the committee have been made acquainted with the contents of the letter which have already been received here.

### FREE SILVER CAMPAIGN

Indianapolis, July 13.—The national democratic committee has taken cognizance of the utterances of Mr. Morris, editor of the Sentinel, and other democrats in opposition to a free silver campaign in 1900, and is preparing to make an anti-convention campaign in this state in support of the 16 to 1 idea. Within a few days several free silver demonstrators have received documents from the committee for distribution and among them is an elaborate argument in favor of making the issue one of free silver, and confining the campaign to it, with an incidental fight against trusts.

### WANT DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Chicago, July 13.—The Record says today: Kansas City democrats, backed by members of their party in other parts of Missouri, have raised \$50,000 which they intend offering to the democratic national committee if the committee will send the democratic national convention to Kansas City.

St. Louis, July 13.—Ex-Governor Stone returned from New York today with plans fixed, he said, to get for Kansas City the coming national democratic convention.

### FAITH CURISTS ACCUSED.

New York, July 13.—The death of Mrs. Santiago Porcella, of Cranford, who was treated by faith curists, is to be investigated by the next Union county grand jury. Prosecutor English thinks it may be necessary to pass a special law on the subject if it is not provided for in the statute books.

### SHAKESPEARE COMES HIGH.

London, July 13.—A copy of the first folio of Shakespeare was sold at auction here for £1,700, a record price. The highest previous price for a copy was £715.

**All in Your Eye.**

Is a saying expressive of imaginary trouble. It is more probable that the real trouble will be all in the eyes. This is an age of defective eyes, but not so much one of serious eye trouble as before the extensive use of glasses. Statistics show that blindness has decreased over 60 percent since the advent of glasses for the correction of complicated optical defects. We give them a scientific examination free of charge.

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### W. S. TAYLOR NOMINATED

#### Kentucky Republican Convention Completes Its Work—Platform.

Lexington, July 13.—The Kentucky republicans nominated the following ticket this morning:  
Governor—W. S. Taylor.  
Lieutenant governor—John Marshall, of Louisville.  
Secretary of state—Caleb Powers, of Knox.  
Attorney general—Judge Clifton J. Pratt.

Soon after the opening of the convention Captain S. H. Stone withdrew his name and presented the name of Hon. W. S. Taylor. Judge Clifton J. Pratt, the other candidate for governor, followed Stone in a stirring speech of withdrawal and seconded Taylor's nomination, which was made unanimous by acclamation amid wild demonstrations of enthusiasm.

The platform congratulates the republicans "for the existing federal legislation for the suppression of harmful trusts, pools and combinations is the work of a republican congress, performed during the administration of a republican president," and congratulates the country that in the "suppression of injurious combinations, republican legislation has had in the past and will have in the future a due regard for the interest of legitimate business, the purposes of such legislation being a remedy for wrong and not an embarrassment to industry, enterprise or thrift."

The platform says: "We endorse without reserve the administration of President McKinley and congratulate the American people upon the conditions of prosperity and happiness resulting from the wisdom and patriotism which he brought to the discharge of his public duties. We declare our confidence in the policies adopted and measures taken by the president to restore order and to establish progressive governments in Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and we pledge him our continuous support until these objects are fully attained. We reaffirm our adherence to the principles and to the policies proclaimed by the last national republican convention except as to civil service."

### A NEGRO TICKET IN KENTUCKY

Lexington, July 13.—Despite the harmonious results of today's republican convention several negro leaders decided tonight to issue a call tomorrow for a convention to nominate a straight negro ticket.

### MORGAN'S ADVICE TO DROP BRYAN

#### May Result in Governor Johnston's Running for the Senate.

Montgomery, Ala., July 13.—Senator Morgan's recent interview advising democrats to drop Bryan and free silver has occasioned great surprise and excitement in political circles in Alabama.

The interview will be likely to result in Joseph F. Johnston, the present governor of Alabama, making the race for the senate against Morgan next year. Morgan has been the political idol of the people of Alabama for twenty years. Johnston is a man of fine ability and exceedingly strong with the masses.

### BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE DRAW THE COLOR LINE

Richmond, July 13.—Among the many delegates to the Baptist Young People's union, now in session here, are fifteen negroes. When they reported at headquarters for assignment to quarters, the white boys who had been secured to show the delegates to the homes provided refused to act as escorts and the negroes experienced considerable difficulty in finding shelter.

### CAPTURED BY STRIKERS.

Bridgeton, N. J., July 13.—The arrival of 15 non-union glass blowers here today was the cause of an outbreak on the part of the strikers and residents are apprehensive of more serious trouble. A crowd of strikers stormed the train on which the strangers arrived, and captured the non-union men. Glass in the doors and windows of the car was shattered. The non-union men were finally induced to follow the strikers to the latter's headquarters, where an attempt is being made to force the men to leave town.

### VALUABLE PEANUT CROP.

Chicago, July 13.—Peanut quotations show a rise of 100 per cent. At the new prices the peanut crop of 1899 will be worth between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000. The advance is due to the fact that the current demand is phenomenal.

The best stores for the money at Mrs. L. A. Johnson's. They are O. K.

It cures all headaches. Baldwin's headache Cure, E. C. Grant's Pharmacy.

### A NEGRO COLONY PLANNED, LOCATION IN NEW JERSEY

#### Town Laid Out and Co-operative Shoe Factory Contemplated.

Flemington, N. J., July 13.—A negro colony is to be established on the farm of ex-Sheriff Lake at Oak Grove. Every thing has been planned on a big scale. The town has been laid out, of which the principal street will be called Lincoln. A big shoe factory on a co-operative plan is contemplated. Many leading negroes of the state have endorsed the scheme and a bishop of a colored church is aiding the work. It is reported that the company has set aside a tract of land for a negro industrial school.

### SENATOR GALLINGER LIKELY TO BE ACQUITTED

#### But a Disturbance Has Been Started in New Hampshire Politics.

Concord, N. H., July 13.—The investigation of the charges against Senator Gallinger before the United States civil service commission was concluded this afternoon. The commissioners secured a statement from Treasurer Thayer, of the republican state committee, that Gallinger had nothing to do with the assessment circular, he alone being responsible. No decision was announced, but Gallinger will probably be acquitted. Meantime a row has been started in New Hampshire politics which may result in either Chandler or Gallinger falling of reelection.

### THE NEWS FROM GUATEMALA

Washington, July 13.—News from New Orleans telling of the disturbed condition of affairs in Guatemala owing to the repudiation of that country's bonds held abroad, aroused interest among the officials but it is said that the government would not send a naval force and that no information had been received to confirm the report that Great Britain and Germany would send warships.

### THE PARIS CREATES A PANIC.

Falmouth, July 13.—On entering tidal harbor today the steamer Paris, recently aground on the Manacles, under the influence of the wind and tide, became temporarily unmanageable. Her stern swung around and struck the end of the wooden pier, upon which a large crowd of people were assembled. The pier shook from end to end, the spectators began to be panic stricken and made a rush for escape. Ultimately control of the ship was regained and she was safely anchored.

### TWO DIE FROM YELLOW FEVER.

Washington, July 13.—General Brooke cables the following: "Havana, July 13.—Adjutant General, Washington: Death report—Trinidad, Private Albert Wirth, Company G, Second infantry, suicide. Santiago, Captain Thomas M. Woodruff, Fifth infantry, yellow fever; Louis H. Leach, civilian clerk, formerly private in Fifth infantry, yellow fever."

### WEAVERVILLE RAILROAD.

Weaver, N. C., July 13.—A meeting of the directors of the Asheville and Weaver Street Railway company is called for Saturday at 3:30 p. m., at the college. J. A. Reagan, W. E. Weaver, F. P. Roberts and R. V. Williams, directors, make the call.

### COTTON LOSS BY TEXAS FLOODS.

Galveston, Tex., July 15.—Prominent cotton factors put the loss to cotton from the floods at from 300,000 to 500,000 bales.

### BASEBALL GAMES YESTERDAY

At New York— R. H. E.  
New York ..... 5 12 6  
Pittsburg ..... 9 14 3  
Batteries: Seymour and Grady; Tannehill and Bowerman.

At Brooklyn— R. H. E.  
Brooklyn ..... 2 7 2  
St. Louis ..... 1 3 1  
Batteries: Hughes and Green; Powell and Criger.

At Philadelphia— R. H. E.  
Philadelphia ..... 5 11 2  
Cleveland ..... 1 3 1  
Batteries: Frazer and McFarland; Hughey and Schreckengost.

At Boston— R. H. E.  
Boston ..... 4 10 3  
Chicago ..... 9 14 3  
Batteries: Lewis and Bergen; Garvin and Donohue.

The Washington-Cincinnati and Baltimore-Louisville games were postponed on account of rain.

### WHERE THEY PLAY TODAY.

Chicago at Boston.  
St. Louis at Brooklyn.  
Pittsburg at New York.  
Cleveland at Philadelphia.  
Louisville at Baltimore.  
Cincinnati at Washington.

### STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Clubs.	W.	L.	Pc.
Brooklyn	50	24	67%
Philadelphia	44	27	62%
Boston	45	28	61%
Chicago	42	27	61%
St. Louis	42	31	57%
Baltimore	39	30	56%
Cincinnati	36	35	50%
Pittsburg	35	37	48%
New York	32	40	44%
Louisville	28	44	39%
Washington	25	39	38%
Cleveland	12	69	16%

Ten Oxfords at cost at G. A. Mears.

## ALLIANCE IN CHINA

### Big Combination to Control the Trade of the Empire.

#### First Development of Anglo-Saxon Commercial Union.

#### Great British and American-Chinese Syndicates United.

#### The Strongest Trade Combination in the World Said to Have Been Effected.

New York, July 13.—A combination has been entered into between the American-China Development company, better known as the Chinese syndicate, which the late Senator Bruce organized, and a British and Chinese corporation to obtain contracts and concessions in China. A combination representing such a large amount of English and American capital will, it is believed, be able to secure ample protection.

This contract between the companies is really the first visible form of the Anglo-Saxon alliance and makes a combination of the most powerful capitalists of the world.

### DREYFUS AND HIS COUNSEL.

Rennes, July 13.—M. Demange had a two hours' interview with Dreyfus yesterday. He found him in excellent health and spirits. Dreyfus had almost finished his study of the dossier and he and M. Demange will work together on it for the remainder of the week. Commandant Carrière will finish his report between July 20 and 25 and the court martial will meet at the beginning of August.

Dreyfus tried on his new uniform and found that it fitted him well. He will wear it on Saturday.

Paris, July 13.—Commander Myekowski declares that General Brugere, who has just been appointed military governor of Paris, made the statement on July 2, 1897, that Dreyfus had betrayed the secret of the Robin shell to Germany.

The Figaro says in reference to the cruelties to which Dreyfus was subjected on Devil's Island: "One must not blame the warders, but the principals, who were not men but vipers and hyenas."

### HIIS CONDITION CRITICAL.

#### The Injuries Received by Postmaster Sumner Are Serious.

Every possible effort is being made to discover the whereabouts of the men who robbed the postoffice at Arden and so seriously injured Postmaster Charles Sumner. Postoffice Inspectors Dexter and Bulla yesterday visited the office. The officers believe they have found a definite clue and a number of officers, including the Asheville police, are actively engaged in an effort to locate the robbers. A negro was arrested yesterday on suspicion but he will doubtless be released as little is known that would justify his retention.

Postmaster Sumner's injuries are more serious than at first supposed, and it is feared he cannot live.

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## Sash and Neck Buckles.

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