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FLORIDA'S CHIEF CITY BURNED TO THE GROUND

A Terrible Conflagration at Jacksonville Causing Loss of Millions in Property and Some Lives.

Three of Her Great Hotels and Many Blocks of Business Houses Destroyed.

Dynamite Used Ineffectually to Check the Spread of the Flames.

Savannah, May 3.—The greater portion of Jacksonville, Fla., was burned this afternoon and advices received here at 11 o'clock tonight announce that the flames are not under control. The fire started near the Union depot and fanned by a high wind spread rapidly despite the efforts of the firemen. The flames ate their way through many business blocks to the residential section where many frame cottages were destroyed.

The rapid spread of the flames caused a wild panic among the people and in a desperate effort to stop the flames many buildings were blown up by dynamite. This proved futile. High winds carried the fire from one part of the city to another and blazing dwellings or business blocks could be seen in all directions.

By 10 o'clock twenty-four business and residence blocks had been burned.

Among the buildings destroyed are the finest in the city, including three hotels, the opera house, the Western Union telegraph office, the Crystal Roof garden and the Bell Telephone exchange. Hundreds of other houses are burned.

In response to request, fire engines came from surrounding towns and are aiding in subduing the flames.

The path of the fire was directly through the center of the city. All communication with the city by wire was severed. Hundreds of families are homeless, but so far no casualties are reported.

The loss cannot be estimated but will be immense.

Savannah, May 3.—Midnight—Later reports from Jacksonville say the fire has practically burned itself out through lack of fuel and is now under control. The loss will amount to millions. It is learned that several people perished and many are injured. It is reported that one negro family of five perished.

Fire Chief Haney became crazed by heat and excitement.

The turpentine district along the St. Johns river is destroyed for ten blocks. Everything is chaotic, and until tomorrow it will be impossible to learn anything definite in regard to the loss.

wise resignation shows he is a master of statesmanship.

The Berliner Deutsche Nachrichten rejoices at the step, but regrets it was made necessary by an alliance of the conservatives with the centrists and says it presages victory for the conservatives.

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WOMAN'S TRUE FIELD OF WORK

Illinois Association Opposed to Female Suffrage.

Best Course Lies Along the Lines of Moral Influence and Useful Endeavor.

Chicago, May 3.—The Illinois association opposed to the extension of suffrage to women today issued its semi-annual report on the progress of work. After giving the results of legislative action in the middle west in regard to woman suffrage during the past winter the report says:

"Everywhere there seems to be a growing conviction that the best work of woman lies along the lines of moral influence and unselfish endeavor, in a realm where the golden rule is not read backward and that the lowering of this high ideal to the plane of expediency trucking and bargaining which the admission of all classes of men to the ballot often makes necessary in politics would be a distinct calamity to women themselves and to society at large. At the same time these capacities directed through the home or through organized effort to the formation and guidance of that public opinion which lies behind all law and without the support of which statutory enactments are worthless may render invaluable and indispensable public service. If women would use as much intelligence and energy as participation in legislation would require in teaching their children, boys and girls alike, in a broad, liberal way, the great principles of temperance and chastity, they would do more in a generation toward eradicating the evils of intemperance and impurity than they would do by a century of voting. It is in the same way that they would inculcate and everywhere stand for the principles of justice and unselfishness and a true regard for the rights of others, in social, commercial and political relations, which could do more toward reforming those conditions of society which breed anarchy and are the despair of the practical politician than they could ever do through legislative action. There is much evidence that it is to these aims that thoughtful and philanthropic women are directing their attention rather than to suffrage."

"We believe that there is a growing recognition of the fact that instead of being a social advance, woman suffrage is part and parcel of that great retrograde movement which seeks to destroy the orderly organization of individualism which characterizes only the lowest form of social life. 'Advanced socialism is anarchism,' one of its most conspicuous advocates has recently said, a state of society without law, without institutions, with no bond of union or principle of growth except of unbridled human impulse; in short, a return to those elementary conditions from which human society originally springs. We do not believe that the American people are prepared to abjure civilization for such a nightmare."

YESTERDAY'S LEAGUE GAMES

Following are the scores of games played by the National league teams yesterday:

At Boston—Boston 1 3 1
New York 2 8 1
Batteries—Nichols and Kittredge; Matthewson and Smith.

At Brooklyn—Brooklyn 5 10 2
Philadelphia 1 8 3
Batteries—Klitson and McGuire; White and McFarland.

At Pittsburg—Pittsburg 10 13 2
Chicago 6 12 2
Batteries—Lever and O'Connor; Huges and Chance.

RUSSELL KNOCKED OUT.

Denver, May 3.—In the fourth round of what was to have been a ten round contest at the Colorado athletic club tonight, Sharkey cut short Fred Russell's aspirations for the championship by knocking him out.

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GEN. GOMEZ WRITES ON CUBAN PROBLEM

Spanish Mail Steamer Searched and Packages Seized.

Havana, May 3.—General Gomez has written another letter in which he states that the Cuban problem is not an economic one but a political one. Let political questions, he says, be settled by the establishing government. That will satisfy general aspirations and the economic problem will solve itself. His letter is considered to indirectly favor the acceptance of the Platt amendment.

Owing to the repeated smuggling of lottery tickets Collector Bliss ordered a search of the Spanish mail steamer Alfonso VII. on her arrival. Several unmanifested packages were seized. The Spanish papers are indignant over the search of the vessel and say that while the customs officials have a right to prevent contraband from landing they have no right to seize goods.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP MEN FEAR SUBSIDY

Might Make it Impossible to Compete with American Ships.

London, May 3.—At the annual meeting of the Leyland steamship line today Chairman Ellerman declined to discuss the sale of the line to J. P. Morgan & Co., until a special meeting was called to take the matter up.

Reviewing last year's business Mr. Ellerman referred to the congressional discussion of the subsidy bill as "a period of some anxiety." An American subsidy bill," he added, "would be detrimental to British trade and might make it next to impossible to compete with American owned steamers while British ships could not expect government aid.

ALTAR DESECRATED IN RICHMOND CHURCH

Historic Sacrifice Riddled of its Treasures by Thieves.

Richmond, Va., May 3.—Monumental Episcopal church, one of the oldest and most historic churches in Richmond, was robbed early this morning, suffering its second desecration within two years. The ornaments were torn from the altar, the sacrists were rifled and a large quantity of valuable plate was carried off. It is thought the thieves entered the church while open to visitors and hid themselves until night. Voices were heard during the afternoon, but could not be located. The thieves departed through the back gate, the lock of which was prized off. The rector's wardrobe, bookcases and their contents scattered. The alms basin, fifteen inches in diameter, made of highly polished brass, embossed and beautifully engraved with ecclesiastical symbols, was also taken, as well as six collection plates. The alms basin was a memorial to the late Rev. Fenner H. Stiekney, a former rector of Monumental church.

ANTI-IMPERIALIST VIEW OF M'KINLEY'S TOUR

Paris, May 3.—The Temps editorially attributes the stir caused by McKinley's tour to popular feeling in favor of "imperialism," protection and the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. It says: "He proceeds onward, finding new argument in each state with which to flatter and cajole. Elsewhere, despite the charms of conquest and the intoxication of victory, the American public has shown a lack of durable enthusiasm for a policy which somewhat nullifies the glories of disinterested intervention which cost the country great sacrifices of men and money and which, moreover, threatens to create redoubtable dangers for the constitution and democracy."

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PRESIDENT IN TEXAS

Flattering Greeting to the Chief Executive at Austin Yesterday.

Houses Bedecked and City's Population Augmented by Crowds of Visitors.

SPEECH DELIVERED ON CAPITOL GROUNDS

STOPS MADE BY THE TRAIN AT SEVERAL OTHER POINTS IN THE STATE AND IT IS NOW ON THE WAY TO SAN ANTONIO.

Austin, May 3.—McKinley's first day's tour of Texas ended at Austin this evening with a long drive by the party through Hyde Park and the residential portion of the city. The party left tonight for San Antonio, which they will reach tomorrow.

The president and party on their arrival here were driven from the railway station to the capital, where they were welcomed by Gov. Sayers. Crowds thronged the route, while the buildings were bedecked with flags and bunting in honor of the president.

At one point on the way the floral gates which had been erected across the street flew open and the mayor presented the president with a silver key in indication that the city was his.

It is estimated that there were 45,000 people in the city, many from surrounding counties.

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