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THE TROUBLE WITH TURKEY.

United States Claims Only the Same Commercial Privileges as Great Britain Enjoys.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The Turkish authorities having refused to grant an exequatur to Dr. Thomas H. Norton to act as United States consul at Harpoot, the indications point to some retaliatory measures on the part of our government in the near future. The Turkish contention now is that they permitted a United States consulate to be established at Erzeroum under an implied understanding that the United States would abandon its claim to a consulate at Harpoot. That there was some shadow of foundation for this understanding is admitted; but it is still the purpose of the United States to establish this consulate, because the British government has since been permitted to locate a consul at Harpoot and, under the favored nation clause of our treaty with Turkey, the United States government claims the same commercial privileges as Great Britain. There is, besides, a peculiarly potent reason for the presence of a United States representative at Harpoot, for at that point is located some of the most important and flourishing American missionary and educational interests in Turkey. Moreover, being located in the Armenian district, it is extremely desirable that our government should have some impartial representative to watch over the interests of American citizens there.

The last adverse decision of the Turkish government in this matter has not modified the orders to the big battleship Kentucky to proceed from Naples to Smyrna. She sailed to-day and should arrive at Smyrna, in the ordinary course, Monday or Tuesday next. It is, of course, not expected that the ship is to make war single-handed on Turkey, but it is thought that the moral influence of this exhibition of American naval power may be beneficial in settling the question of exequatur as well as the long pending missionary claims against Turkey.

Porte Firm in Its Refusal.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Friday, Nov. 23.—United States Charge d'Affaires Griscom called upon Tewfik Pasha, minister for foreign affairs yesterday, to urge a settlement of the difficulty in relation to the granting of an exquator to Dr. Thomas H. Norton, who some time ago was appointed by President McKinley to establish a consulate at Harpoot. The Porte, however, is firm in its refusal to grant the request for an exquator.

REVENUE TAX LAW.

Important Changes to Be Made—The Schedule B Will Practically Be Wiped Out.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 24.—The sub-committee Republican membership of the Ways and Means committee, held a short session to-day and adjourned until Monday. The sub-committee has not yet completed the draft of the revenue bill, but is reported that it is not likely that the general outlines agreed upon will be changed before the bill goes to the full committee, unless there is a great pressure among Republican members as they arrive in the city. It is understood that in addition to reductions heretofore mentioned the increase of 60 cents per thousand on cigars will be removed, also, that the stamp taxes on steamship tickets will be taken off, because the revenue received does not justify the difficulties of collection. Members of the committee have been asked to remove the stamp taxes on foreign bills of exchange and bills of lading and it is possible that the matter may be re-opened. The tax on parlor car seats and sleeping berths will remain.

The most important changes in the present law will be in schedule B, which practically will be wiped out, and which includes medicines and proprietary articles. The tax, also, probably, will be removed from conveyances, morigages, etc. These, with the abolishment of taxes on express receipts, telegrams, bank checks, and some other stamp taxes, will, it is said, secure the reduction of $30,000,000, which is the amount agreed upon by the treasury officials and the committee.

FOOT BALL AT NORFOLK.

N. C. University Team Defeated by Virginia--Score 17 to 0--Seven Thousand Spectators.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., November 24.—An enthusiastic crowd of about 7,000 saw the Virginia University team defeat the North Carolina University at League park this afternoon by the score of 17 to 0. North Carolina's centre was a tower of strength, but the team from the Old North State was not so strong on the ends, and the interference was not what it should have been. They fought hard, however, but Virginia was too much for them. Virginia played a quick snappy game from the start to finish, and carried the ball down the field as they pleased. In less than five minutes after the first kick off the Orange and Blue scored a touchdown and goal, and from that time until the end of the game it was all one way.

Virginia scored twelve in the first half and five in the second. The playing of Walker and Dabney for Virginia were noteworthy features—that of the latter being especially brilliant, his runs being remarkable.

Several men on both sides were injured, but not seriously. Both teams and their friends were tendered a reception to-night at the Country Club.

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KRUGER WELCOMED TO CITY OF PARIS.

An Enthusiastic Greeting to the Boer President by Cheering Thousands.

GREAT SYMPATHY SHOWN.

No Display of Anti-British Sentiment. Mr. Kruger's Address—Formal Reception by President Loubet, of the French Republic.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, Nov. 24.—The city of Paris welcomed Mr. Kruger to-day in a whole-hearted manner, according him a sincere reception at the railroad station and showing by the cheering of the crowds along the route that he was cordially welcome and had the sympathy of the populace. The thoroughfares through which Mr. Kruger passed were not lavishly decorated, but a few flags were flying and the hotel was nicely decorated, while from early morning the street hawkers did not permit the pedestrians to forget that it was Kruger day. All sorts of insignia were offered for sale. Small Boer flags, badges of the Boer colors, and scarf-pins of the same character were called out on the boulevards, and lucky were the salesmen, for almost every one wore a Boer emblem.

By 10 o'clock the sidewalks began to fill, while in the vicinity of the railroad station and about the hotel Scribe the crowds constantly increased in size. Small squads of municipal guards, on foot and mounted, were continally passing, in evidence of the fact that the government was taking stringent precautions to prevent trouble. On the Place La Bastille, a few Nationalist groups collected, but they were soon dispersed.

Enthusiastic Greeting.

Over the entire route from the station to the hotel enthusiastic cries greeted Mr. Kruger. Shout after shout arose until there was a continuous roar of cheering. When the Boer President entered the cleared area in front of the hotel the demonstration was uproarious. Mr. Kruger, bare-headed, bowed on all sides, while the air was rent with cries of "Vive Kruger!" "Vive les Boers!" Mr. Kruger quickly alighted from his carriage and entered the hotel, but the mass of spectators was not satisfied and the people shouted, yelled and clapped their hands in chorus until a window of the balcony was raised and Mr. Kruger appeared. Then hats were again thrown into the air and the shouting was resumed with renewed vigor. Handkerchiefs and flags were waved and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed. The scene before the hotel continued for over an hour. A body of students bearing flags attempted to march past the hotel, but were stopped. Nothing daunted, the students broke into cries and songs until Mr. Kruger again appeared in response to their demonstration, after which he retired for luncheon. A sight which stirred the feelings of the crowd to the utmost was the appearance on the balcony of the great grandchildren of Mr. Kruger, waving a Boer flag. The little ones were cheered to the echo as, held aloft by a servant, they unrolled the Boer colors.

Anti-British Sentiment.

Through all this welcome the anti-British sentiment did not appear. The cries were confined to Mr. Kruger and the Boers. If there were any shouts opposed to Great Britain they were not heard in the general tumult. There was but one incident having any resemblance of this sort. Opposite the hotel is an English store, and on its balcony stood many spectators. When Mr. Kruger appeared on the balcony of the hotel some one in the crowd noticed that those on the store balcony wore their hats. Immediately a cry of "Hats off!" was directed at them, and the men on the balcony, appreciating the situation, uncovered.

Mr. Kruger's Speech.

Replying to the address of the Paris Boer committee, at the railroad station, Mr. Kruger said:

"I am deeply touched by the sympathy the populations of all the French towns I have passed through have displayed towards me by such striking demonstrations. I have seen gathering on my soil thousands of Frenchmen and I thereby realized that all Frenchmen, like myself, are convinced of the justice of our cause. We are seeking to maintain our independence, feeling that the independence of the people in itself guarantees peace. It is in order to obtain this peace, founded on liberty and justice, that we are struggling on the soil of the two republics, and that I myself have come to Europe. Never will I dream of soliciting the least favor of an unjust character. I have clearly proved this by never ceasing to ask for arbitration, and that is what I still demand.

"In order to accomplish this work, I rely on the good offices of the people, and especially on the sympathy of the French people."

Mr. Kruger, at his hotel, received in rapid succession a number of deputations, including one from the Nationalist deputies, headed by MM. Millevoye and Lasies. He afterwards received the Prefect of Police, M. Lepine, and M. De Villebois Marcuil, a brother of the famous French colonel who was killed in South Africa while fighting for the Boers.

M. Crozier called to announce that President Loubet was prepared to receive Mr. Kruger at 4 o'clock, and the tired traveller prepared himself to visit the Elysee. While the crowd before the hotel decreased somewhat during the afternoon a considerable concourse remained, shouting for the Boers and Mr. Kruger.

Just before 4 o'clock a landau from the Elysee palace was driven to the hotel Scribe and Mr. Kruger, his interpreter, and M. Crozier, proceeded to the Elysee, escorted by a strong detachment of cuirassiers. The scenes of enthusiasm of the morning were repeated. Mr. Kruger was received at the Elysee with semi-official ceremonies, such as were accorded to the sovereigns who visited the exhibition. A battalion of infantry, with its standard and band, drawn up in the court yard, rendered the honors.

President Loubet received Mr. Kruger in the hall of the ambassadors, where M. Delcasse, the minister of foreign affairs, was also awaiting him. The interview lasted five miniutes. Mr. Kruger then returned to his hotel, with the same ceremonial. The Boer statesman wore across the breast of his frock coat a green scarf with a red border, the insigna of his office as president of the South African republic. He also wore the cross of the Legion of Honor.

M. Loubet returned Mr. Kruger's visit at 4:40 P. M. The French President was warmly acclaimed during his drive to the Hotel Scribe, and during his stay at the hotel the crowds raised alternate shouts of "Vive Kruger" and "Vive Loubet." After President Loubet's departure Mr. Kruger declined to see further visitors, even the officials of the Municipal Council, who were desirous of ascertaining the day on which he would accept a reception at the Hotel de Ville being refused, and leaving in a very discontented frame of mind.

Mr. Kruger dined with members of his family at 6:30 He was very much fatigued, and retired early. He will not leave the hotel to-morrow even to attend Protestant services, nor will he receive any visitors

AMERICANS CAPTURE A FILIPINO FORTRESS.

Considered Impregnable—Two Americans Killed and Twelve Wounded—Insurgent Loss Unknown.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, Nov. 24.—The fortress of the insurgent chief Geronimo, at Pinauran, which the insurgents boasted was impregnable, was taken and destroyed Thursday afternoon by a picked force of the Forty-second and Twenty-seventh infantry and troop "G" of the Fourth cavalry, under Col. Thompson. Geronimo and most of the rebels escaped. The leader has long harassed the Twenty-seventh infantry, operating in the vicinity of San Mateo, Montalban, and Novaliches. He was finally located at Pililauran, thirty-five miles north of Manila. His position was considered the strongest in Luzon. It was a stone fortress, surmounting a steep hill surrounded by canyons. The Spanish forces lost heavily in attempting to take it.

Col. Thompson mobilized 1,000 men at Montalban. The attack was made upon four sides. The remain body, under Major Carey, of the Forty-second, advanced from the south; Captain Atkinson, of the Twenty-seventh from the east; Captain Casteel, of the Twenty seventh, from the west, and Captain Sloan, of the Twenty-seventh, from the north. The ascents were steep, and the men climbed them by grasping the shrubbery. It was impossible for the eastern column to reach the summit, but the others arrived after three hours climbing, under fire from the fortress and the hillside entrenchments. The enemy's force, numbering several hundred, fled before the attackers reached the top. The Americans destroyed a thousand insurgent uniforms, scores of buildings and large quantities of supplies and seized a barrel full of documents.

Private Hart, of the Twenty seventh, and private Koppner, of the Forty second, and two scouts were killed, and twelve of the attacking force were wounded. The insurgent casualties could not be ascertained.

Lieut. Frederick W. Alsatetter, of the United States engineering corps, who was recently released by the insurgents, arrived in Manila this evening. He had been in captivity since August 1st. Gen. Funston surrendered the rebel Major Vantuz on the release of Lieut. Alsatetter. The latter is well, and says that he received fair treatment. He escaped on September 21st, but was recaptured.

It is unofficially reported that Gen. Torres, the insurgent commander at Bulucan, has been captured by General Grant's scouts. General Grant wired Wheaton that the entire garrison at San Jose had been captured, but General Torres was not among them.

YALE VERSUS HARVARD.

Annual Foot Ball Contest—Yale Scored a Victory—To the Tune of 28 to Nothing.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Nov. 24.—Victory long delayed perched upon the blue banner of old Yale to day when the foot ball team of the New Haven University smothered the crimson of fair Harvard in the annual foot ball contest played at Yale field. For the first time since 1894, Yale scored a victory over Harvard, and to-day she took sweet revenge for Harvard's merciless performance in New Haven two years ago, when the crimson rejoiced over the blue by the score of 17 to 0. To-day Yale administered to Harvard a Waterloo to the tune of 28 to 0. It was Yale from the first kick off, and the warriors of the blue seemed bent on punishing Harvard to the limit.

In the first half Yale scored two touchdowns. In the second half she repeated this performance, and in addition to tearing Harvard to pieces for two touchdowns, Sharpe, the Yale half back, lifted a field goal from the 25-yard limit.

The second half was a killing one for Captain Daly's men and it was not long before they began to give way before unprecedented onslaughts of the Yale men. Burnett had succeeded Lee just before the first half ended. Shortly after the kick-off of the second period the crimson supporters were thrown into a panic when Daly, who had been limping, went to the side lines and Harvard had lost her captain.

In rapid succession Harvard's men surrendered, and before the game was over the crimson team had played twenty men. The only Yale man to leave was Olcott, the centre, who with five minutes to play had sustained a blow on the head and Holt took his place. The scoring of the second half was of the spectacular order.

Yale's goal was never in danger, Harvard not once reaching a point nearer than the Yale thirty-yard line. Throughout the game Yale retained possession of the ball three-quarters of the time, and when it fell to Harvard's lot on infrequent occasions to try an advance, her line plays and end formations were thrown back.

U. S. MONITOR NEVADA.

Vessel Launched at Bath, Me., and Christened by Miss Boutelle.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BATH, ME., Nov. 24.—The U. S. monitor Nevada, in tonnage the largest government vessel ever built by the Bath Iron Works, was launched to-day. The vessel was released and started down the ways in a novel manner by Miss Annie C. Boutelle, youngest daughter of Congressman Charles A. Boutelle, who christened her. The hull was held in place till the last moment by a careful adjustment of the shoring, and a strong cable was set free by severing the rope at the proper moment. Miss Boutelle used a silver hatchet, provided by the builders. As the monitor started down the ways Miss Boutelle dashed a bottle of American champagne across the bow and christened the vessel "Nevada."

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M'KINLEY'S SPEECH IN PHILADELPHIA.

His First Public Utterance Since the Recent Presidential Election.

AT FOUNDERS' DAY BANQUET.

The Election and the Things That It Settled—Unquestioned Endorsement of the Gold Standard—American Sovereignty in Philippines.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., Nov. 24.—President McKinley was to-night the guest of honor at the "Founders Day" banquet of the Union League, one of the oldest and most influential Republican organizations in the country. In addition to Mr. McKinley, there were present Theodore Roosevelt, vice president elect; the members of the cabinet, with the exception of Secretary Root, who is in Cuba, and Senators Lodge and Wolcott.

Raw, cloudy weather greeted the President upon his arrival, but these inclement conditions did not dampen the ardor of a patriotic public, which turned out in force to greet the re-elected chief executive.

President McKinley's reception was most enthusiastic and much importance was attached to his address, as it was his first public utterance since his recent victory. The President's time was fully occupied from his arrival until late to-night. After driving through several of the principal streets of the city he was entertained at the residence of E. T. Stotesbury, a prominent financier of this city. Following this Mr. McKinley was escorted to the Union League where he held an informal reception and sat at the banquetting board. At the conclusion of the dinner, the President held a reception, when the members of the Union League individually paid their respects to him. At mid night the President returned to Washington.

Numerous speeches were made during the evening and those second in point of importance to that of the President were delivered by Governor Roosevelt and Senators Lodge and Wolcott. Mr. McKinley said, in part:

"We cannot over estimate the great importance and the far-reaching consequences of the electoral contest which ended on the 6th of November. It has to me no personal phases. It is not the triumph of an individual, nor altogether of a party, but an emphatic declaration of the people of what they believe and would have maintained in government. A great variety of subjects was presented and discussed in the progress of the campaign.

"We may differ as to the extent of the influence of the several issues involved, but we are all agreed as to certain things which it settled.

"It records the unquestioned endorsement of the gold standard, industrial independence, broader markets, commercial expansion, reciprocal trade, the open-door in China, the inviolability of public faith, the independence and authority of the judiciary, and peace and beneficent government under American sovereignty in the Philippines. American credit remains unimpaired, the American name unimpaired, the honor of American arms unsullied, and the obligations of a righteous war and treaty of peace unrepudiated.

"The Republican party has placed upon it tremendous responsibilites. No party could ask for a higher expression of confidence. It is a great thing to have this confidence; it will be a greater thing to deserve and hold it. To this party are committed new and grave problems. They are two exalted for partisanship. The task of settlement is for the whole American people. Who will say they are unequal to it?

"Liberty has not lost but gained in strength. The structure of the fathers stands secure upon the foundations on which they raised it, and is to day, as it has been in the years past and as it will be in the years to come, the government of the people, by the people, and for the people. Be not disturbed, there is no danger from empire, there is no fear for the republic."

Roosevelt's Speech.

Governor Rosoevelt followed President McKinley. He said in part:

"There is no doubt about our position before the election, and there is no doubt about it now. We are going to carry on the policy that has been pursued during the past four years. It has been the signal good fortune of this nation, on the first accasion when it mixed in the world's politics, to fix the standard to which the other nations of the world will come in dealing with the affairs of the great Asiatic nation. We have kept the currency sound. We have kept the gold standard for the past four years, and it will be kept in the coming years. And the nation has decided that the flag shall float over the Philippine islands. Peace shall come in them; a constantly increasing measure of self government shall be given them; but first of all order must be restored in them."

Senators Lodge and Woolcott then spoke and a number of other speakers were then successively presented.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS

Will Devote Their Future Lives to Ministering to Lepers in Hawaii Islands.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, November 24.—A number of Franciscan sisters will leave this country next week for the leper settlement at Molokai, in the Hawaiians island. It is learned from Rev. Father Godfrey Schilling, superior of the Franciscans in Washington, that these sisters intend to devote their future lives in behalf of the lepers, and probably will never return to their homes in the United States.

The leader of this band is Mother Ann M. Schilling, a native of Syracuse, N. Y., and a relative to the Franciscan Superior here, although for some years past, she has labored among the poor in Louisville, Ky. She and her companions will start from San Francisco direct to Hawaii, bearing with them, it is said, the special blessing of Pope Leo XIII. An industrial school for the lepers' benefit will be started, under the special care of the Franciscan sisters.

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Warm weather is against the Clothing dealers, and the Fishblate Clothing Co. have determined to reduce their Winter stock by offering special bargains this entire week. †

COAL MINES DESTROYED.

Landslide in West Virginia—Five Mines Involved—Narrow Escape of Miners Employed in the Works.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

PARKERSBURG, WEST VA., November 24.—Terrific rumblings and reports startled the citizens of Bingamon Creek, some distance from Shinnston, at 5 o'clock yesterday. They rushed from their homes and beheld the hillside caving in, and a great avalanche of earth, stone and coal rolling toward the creek. It seemed that the crust of the whole earth was being broken by some subterranean force, and the spectators contemplated an earthquake with dire results. At daylight it was seen that five coal mines in that vicinity had been utterly destroyed. The strata of limestone above the coal had been rent and the bluff of the hill, half a mile long and seventy feet deep, precipitated to Bigamon creek below, a distance of 100 feet, forcing the stream out of its natural course some distance. Many of the boulders in the avalanche were thirty feet long and ten feet thick, and contained 3,000 cubic feet. Many large trees came down with the rocks. The bluff just adjacent has a crevice about forty feet long, and eight feet wide at the greater end. It is expected to fall shortly, and destroy another mine. Quite a number of miners employed in the mines that were destroyed were on their way to the mines when the disturbance occurred, and were fortunate in such a narrow escape from death. They could not have been rescued. The destroyed mines had been worked a great many years, but were properly propped and in excellent condition. The cause of the avalance his unknown. The damage is estimated to involve a loss of about $300,000. Many men will be thrown out of employment indefinitely owing to the destruction of the mines.

ALL ON BOARD PERISHED.

Steamer St. Olaf Wrecked and Sunk on the St. Lawrence River—The Crew and Passengers Lost.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

QUEBEC, Nov. 24.—News reached here early this afternoon that the steamer St. Olaf, which has been coasting this port and Point of Aux Esquimaux, in the lower St. Lawrence, for the last two years, had become a total wreck off Seven Islands and that her crew was entirely lost. Captain Lemaistre, in command of the steamer, and several of his officers and crew belonged to this city. The first dis patch from Seven Islands brought but very meagre news and it was only late in the afternoon that Messrs. A. Frazier & Company, owners of the steamer, were informed of the extent of the disaster. Besides the nineteen men of the steamer's crew, it was learned that seven passengers had also perished.

The St. Olaf was an iron steamer of 350 tons and was built on the Clyde at Port Glasgow in 1882. She was valued at about $40,000 and insured for $20,000. As soon as the news of the wreck reached Seven Islands, a searching party went out to attempt to rescue any of the shipwrecked people if possible, but it was impossible, as every one board the vessel seems to have been lost.

TRIED TO BRIBE THE GOVERNOR.

Building Contractor Arrested at Jackson, Miss, on Complaint of Gov. Longino.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSON, MISS., Nov. 24.—A man claiming to be J. E. Gibson, a building contractor of Logansport, Ind., has been taken into custody here on an affidavit sworn out by Governor Longino to the effect that Gibson had attempted by bribery to secure his influence to receive the contract for the new million dollar State House which will be let December 10th. According to the Governor's story, related at the preliminary hearing before Judge Fitzgerald, Gibson tried to induce him to open the State House bids on the day preceding the letting of the contract and furnish his firm with the figures so that they could prepare a bid lower than the others. The Governor testified that Gibson offered him any sum he would ask, to do this. At the preliminary hearing Gibson was admitted to bond in the sum of $5,000.

ON THE PLANT SYSTEM.

Fast Mail Collided With a Freight Train. Engineer Killed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., Nov. 24.—Before daylight this morning the Northern fast mail train on th Plant system collided with a freight train at a siding at Green Pond, S. C. The freight was partially in the siding when the mail train struck it. Engineer T. N. Jones, of the mail train, was killed and his fireman, Thomas Lester, was seriously injured. A number of the freight cars were wrecked.

WARM WIRELETS.

The population of the State of Virginia is 1,854,184, agoinst 1,655,980 in 1890; an increase of 198,204 or 11.9 per cent.

The population of the State of Maryland is 1,190,050, as against 1,042,390 in 1890. This is an increase of 147,660, or 14.1 per cent.

A news agency in London says it is reported that the Prince of Wales informed the Marlborough Club that the Czar was dead; but it is unable to secure any confirmation of the rumor.

A special dispatch from Shanghai says an official telegram from Sian Fu confirms the report of the illness of the Dowager Empress, and says her condition has become considerably worse.

President McKinley was the chief guest at the wedding of Miss Lillian Gary, daughter of the former Postmaster General, to Robert Coleman Taylor, of New York, which took place in Baltimore yesterday.

The Duke of Newcastle sails from England for the United States Dec. 6. The Duke intends to spend a few months in Florida, returning in April. He will not be accompanied by the Duchess.

General Horace Porter, the United States ambassador to France, has arrived at Tangier. It is said that his visit is in connection with the settlement of the American claims against Morocco.

The weekly statement of averages of the associated banks shows: Loans, $792,723,000; increase $4,874,000. Deposits, $851,391,000; increase $11,721,200. Circulation, $30,688,200; increase $10,700. Legal tenders, $60,383,600; increase $1,648,800. Specie, $164,742,500; increase $5,890,000. Total reserve, $225,126,100; increase $7,538,800. Reserve requirements, $212,847,825; increase $2,930,300. Surplus reserve, $12,278,575; increase $4,608,500.

CRUSADE AGAINST VICE.

Bishop Potter Calls a Meeting of Citizens. Croker's Committee Says Something is Going to Happen.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, November 24.—A call for a meeting to consider how to purify the city was sent out after Bishop Potter's address on "God and the City" yesterday, and received to-day by a large number of prominent citizens. The address is signed by Abram S. Hewitt, Charles Stewart Smith, Levi P. Morton and others. The address reads:

"The agitation which has for some time been made in several important quarters to assure ways and means through which it would be possible to suppress the vice which has become so rampant in many parts of this city, is well understood without requiring explanation.

"It appears important, so that these divers efforts shall become utilized for the single purpose of purifying the community from the vice which no doubt exists in it, that independent actionbe taken, supervising what is being done to that end. For the purpose of conferring on the existing situation, you are respectfully invited to attend a meeting to be held at the room of the Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday evening."

M. Warley Platzek, of Richard Croker's purity commitee, announced to-day that something "very forcible" was going to happen in police circles. "And it is going to happen soon," he said. "The evidence we are now collecting is for our own information, and not for the public. When we get it we are going to hand it over to the police, and we have every assurance that they will act upon it. If they don't we will give it to the grand jury."

It is supposed that a long cable dispatch sent yesterday to Mr. Croker by Corporation Counsel John Whalen may have a bearing on the "very forcible" thing that is going to happen.

Miss Marguerite Gast, of Brooklyn, last night at the Clermont avenue rink in Brooklyn, finished first the six day bicycles race for women, one lap seperating her from Miss Lottie Brandon, who finished second.

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It is unmistakably the fact that this store is a leader in Low Prices.

Be with us this week—and remember—whatever you buy here is **SOLD WITH OUR GUARANTEE,** which means that it must be **RIGHT**—and if it isn't right, we will make it so,

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The Big Racket >Store<

Has New Goods to come in by every train and every boat.

I have just received and will have marked up Monday morning a lot of fine Plaids, 32 inches wide, wool mixed, at 14c, worth 25c

A lot of Camel Hair Plaids, wool, sold at 50c, special job, now at 29c.

Indigo Blue Calico at 4½c.

A beautiful all wool Plaid, 38 inches wide, sold at 50c close, price now 33c.

A new lot of fine Crepon worth $1.50, now 85c; worth $2.00, now $1.15.

All wool Silk Luster Crepon at 55c.

Wool and Mohair Crepon sold at 75c, now 50c per yard

I have a big lot of

Fine Dress Goods and Linings.

My Lining stock is the best and largest in the city.

I have fine Silicia at 8c, cheap at 10.

Spun Glass Lining, as pretty as silk and by far better, 36 inches wide, at 20c.

I have nice Silks as low as 12½c per yard.

Cambrics at 4½c.

A job in Remnant Canvas as low as 5c.

Crown Canvas at 10c.

Linen Canvas at 15c.

I have a part of my store—90 feet long shelves 8 feet high—filled full with fine wool good Dress Goods.

You can come as near getting what you want in the Dress Goods line here as anywhere in the State.

I have a special lot of fine Buttons, Trimmings and Bindings of all grades.

In fine or cheap Dress Goods

I would thank you to look at my stock

before buying elsewhere. My stock is much larger and my prices much lower.

Cloaks, Furs and Capes for everybody.

A nice Cloth Cape as low as 25c, fur trimmed; a better Cape, all wool, silk trimmed, at 50c.

A nice Black Cloth Cape, trimmed in pearl buttons and fur with a double collar, at $1.25.

Beaver Cloth Capes trimmed in braid and fur at $2.00 and up to $5 00.

A new line of Ladies' Jackets just received from $4.00 up to $9.00.

A special drive in Cloth Jackets lined with Nearsilk as low as $1.75.

Ladies' Breakfast Shawls 10c each.

A lot of all wool very fine Shawls at $2.00.

A lot of new Furs just received to day.

Small Cape Collarettes, silk lined, at $1.50.

Nice Fur Collarette as low as $1.25 and up to $5.00 each.

Fur Capes with the tails and heads at $5.00 each.

Plush Capes from $1.50 to $5 00.

Just received five pieces Serge silk Lining in different shades, worth 25c per yard; my price 16c.

We have a

Special job in Children's Under-Wrappers.

They are worth from 50 to 75c. My price on them is from 29c to 38c each. They are made of silk and wool.

A job in Boys' Underwear. Good, heavy cotton goods worth 50c, for 29c.

Boys' Fleece Lined Underwear at 25c each garment.

Children's Heavy Cotton Under wear in good quality as low as 10c a garment.

Men's heavy Fleeced Under Shirts and Pants, regular 50c goods, at 42c each.

Dr. Jargers' all wool Fleece Lined Non-shrinkable Under Vests at $1.00 each.

Ladies' Wool Non shrinkable Vests and Pants at 50c.

Remember our Millinery Department.

In this line our sales are 50 per cent better than they were last year.

Our trimmers give universal satisfaction. We exchange all Hats that do not please or give the money back.

We have just received 37 dozen Sample Hats, all new nice goods, which we sell at from 15c up to 50c.

We trim all Hats free for all our customers that buy Hats and Material from us.

OUR CHRISTMAS GOODS have come in, and in this line we have most everything. We have Tricycles, Velocipedes, Go carts, Wagons, Carriages, Chairs, Dolls and everything in this line. Also, a full line of Fancy Chinaware.

We are still giving away Presents in Chairs, Tables, Desks, Lounges, Crockery and Glassware. We sell goods at the lowest prices and give you a present free. Come to

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