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**CONSUMPTION**  
Work of Incubators. RALEIGH, Dec. 22.—Dix Creek academy, in Harnett county, has been burned. The fire was of incendiary origin. Ten days ago three girl students, while on their way home, met some girl students of a negro school. One of the latter struck a white girl. The latter's father the next day whipped the negro girl and her father. It is generally believed that some negro, angered by this matter, is the culprit.

**Skull Crashed by a Fall.**  
WINSTON, N. C., Dec. 25.—Eugene Lamar sustained serious if not fatal injuries in North Winston. He had a contract to dig a well at the Winston furniture factory. He started down in the well by means of a rope, which slipped on the windlass, letting him drop 40 feet. His skull was badly fractured. It is feared that he will not live.

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## A GREAT CRUSADE FOR CHRISTIANITY

One Hundred Thousand Ministers Enlisted In Fight.

## TOUSHER IN NEW CENTURY

Every Protestant In This Country Has Been Interested In The War Against Sin—First Meeting To Be Held In January—Plan of Campaign.

New York, Dec. 25.—One hundred thousand ministers within the next ten days will start on the greatest crusade for Christianity in the world's history. At a secret meeting held in this city Saturday details of the plan, over which prominent clergymen and laymen have been studying for months, were perfected.

This monster revival, to usher in the twentieth century, was the thought of the late Dwight L. Moody. After his death, friends took it up and enlisted in its support the most prominent Christian workers in the country.

It is to be national in scope, with New York as the center, with the towns and hamlets in valleys and on mountain tops as outposts.

It is to be absolutely undenominational in character. "Christ and the Bible" is the only battle cry.

Practically every branch of the protestant church, and the great religious societies identified with it, are united in the crusade. It will be a gigantic national organized effort by ministers and laymen of all protestant creeds working together with denominational lines obliterated and differences buried.

To Dwight L. Moody, the great evangelist, lying at rest at Northfield, Mass., belongs the honor of conceiving the movement.

It was his hope to celebrate the incoming century with a mighty crusade for God in this country with denominational barriers swept away and all Christians a churchless working shoulder to shoulder.

Friends of the dead evangelist took up the work as it fell from his hands and bent their energies to it with a will.

For several weeks these leaders of the mighty movement have been holding secret conferences in this city at the office of William Phillips Hay, at Front street, perfecting the plans which herald a new era in religious effort.

These leaders, banded together as a national central committee, are now opening their well matured campaign, backed by pledges of support from the most eminent ministers and laymen of every protestant denomination.

Powerful men in every walk of religious life—like Bishop E. G. Andrews of the Methodist Episcopal church, Charles Cutbert Hall, president of the Union Theological seminary, and John Wanamaker—are pledged to support the movement.

The first step of the managing committee was the preparation of an appeal for a twentieth century national gospel campaign. This appeal is now being scattered broadcast over the country through the mails.

It has just been decided by the committee to hold a local council of war, as it were, on the afternoon of Dec. 31.

Letters will be forwarded to every minister of the gospel in Greater New York and all cities and towns within a radius of 50 miles.

At this meeting plans for a mighty spiritual campaign in New York and vicinity will be made. Committees made up of ministers and influential laymen in all the cities of the country will study the New York movement as a guide for their own work.

The national committee within a few days will begin the task of explaining by personal letter the full scheme of work to every protestant minister in the country.

Already local organizations are being perfected in Philadelphia, Boston and Providence, while the work is well under way in a score of cities and a dozen states.

**DIED AMONG HIS PET CATS**  
Veteran of Two Wars Passes Away In Baltimore.  
BALTIMORE, Dec. 25.—With none to cheer his dying moments save the three dozen cats he had raised and fed, Joseph Snyder, an aged and eccentric veteran of two wars, is dead. When the police broke into the room they found the old man dead, with his cats silently and mournfully grouped about the room.

**Cattle Poisoned With Paris Green.**  
JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 25.—A startling discovery has been made at the butcher pens of a local packing house which supplies many of the city markets. The company had six cattle already butchered for market when it was discovered that Paris green or some similar poison had been placed in the troughs. The discovery was made because one of the butchered meat was put on the market.

**Head For Forgery.**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Byron A. Robinson, superintendent of the Hamilton Grange Baptist Sunday school, was held in \$5,000 bail by Magistrate Braun in the Harlem police court on the charge of forgery.

**Literary Perverts.**  
"I pity authors who have to lead such sedentary lives."  
"Sedentary? You don't call chasing publishers a sedentary life, do you?"  
Chicago Record.

## JOINT NOTE HANDED TO CHINESE ENVOYS

It Will Be Immediately Communicated to Emperor.

## CHINA DESIROUS OF PEACE

Prince Ching Predicts a Speedy Reply to the Demands of the Powers—Li Hung Chang Unable to Attend the Meeting of the Ministers.

PEKING, Dec. 25.—The preliminary joint note was delivered yesterday to the Chinese envoys. Li Hung Chang found that he was unable to attend the meeting of the ministers and his credentials and those of Prince Ching were presented by the latter to the foreign envoys.

Prince Ching, replying to the Spanish minister, Senor B. J. DeColagan, who presented the note, said he would immediately communicate its contents to the emperor and assured the ministers that a speedy reply was the desire of the court, as it felt that all China wants peace and prosperity.

The ministers assembled at the residence of the Spanish minister and the dozen of the diplomatic corps and received Prince Ching, to whom the Spanish minister handed the joint note from the hands of Li Hung Chang, who is still ill, and to be executed, Prince Ching said:

"I have the honor to accept the note concerning the re-establishment of diplomatic relations and will transmit it immediately to the emperor and communicate to you his reply as soon as received."

## PETITION IN BANKRUPTCY.

Porter Bros., Dealers In Agricultural Implements In Franklin.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 25.—A petition was filed in the United States court today by E. F. Porter & Bros., dealers in agricultural implements, of Bowling Green, Ky., and the individual members of the firm. The firm's liabilities aggregated \$20,000, with assets of \$12,000.

In his individual schedule E. F. Porter lists a total indebtedness of \$13,333, which includes debts of the firm. His assets amount to \$24,100.

Edward Lacey Porter lists in his individual schedule debts to the amount of \$94,129, including firm debts, with assets amounting to \$10,294.

Clifton J. Porter owes a total of \$140,702, including firm debts, with assets of \$23,392.

Charles William Porter owes, including firm debts, \$83,738, with assets totaling \$41,783. The firm of Porter Bros. was well known and had always been considered of sound financial standing.

## MUNGER FINDS HIS IDEAL

Advertised 40 Years For a Wife Before Finding Her.

DUSKIRK, N. Y., Dec. 25.—Forty years ago Munger began advertising for a wife. At last he has found her and has gone away to Connecticut, where his ideal lives, to marry her and bring her home.

Mr. Munger was the pioneer in the advertising-for-a-wife business. He began his quest in 1860, when he was 20 years old. At intervals Mr. Munger renewed his advertisement, changing the style of the advertisement with the times, and he gradually collected an enormous quantity of letters and pictures from candidates for the position.

None of them suited him entirely, but as the years went by he still retained his ideal and never doubted that he would some day find her.

**Christmas at the Capital.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Christmas day was generally observed here, special services being held in all the churches. The President and Mrs. McKinley dined alone at the White House and spent a good part of the day in their private apartments. The government departments were closed and until late in the day the streets presented an almost deserted appearance.

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**Parents Avary; Child Perished.**  
ASHEVILLE, Ga., Dec. 25.—A house occupied by Frank Middlebrook, a negro, in the northern portion of town, was burned and his 5-year-old son who was locked up in it was burned to death. The family was at the negro church attending a Christmas tree.

**Criminals Released.**  
SAN JUAN, Dec. 25.—Governor Allen has celebrated the holiday season by releasing executive clemency to 24 prisoners in Porto Rico jails. He has pardoned 17 murderers and homicides and seven thieves.

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## GREATLY OVERDRAWN AND EXAGGERATED

What General Davis Says of William's Statement

SAYS THERE IS SUFFERING

Means of the Coffee Planters Reduced by the Storm—Crop Damaged to the Amount of \$12,000,000—Treaty Forwarded to London.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—General Davis, when seen at the war department concerning the report made public today by Dr. Williams, a contract surgeon in the department of Porto Rico, set forth an appalling state of affairs among the coffee planters in the island, said that from his knowledge of affairs in that section of Porto Rico, he should characterize Dr. Williams' statement as much overdrawn and exaggerated.

That there was suffering in the coffee plantings of the country, he had no doubt. The heavy losses incurred by the big hurricane, he said, could have had no result other than to greatly reduce the means of the planters who had \$12,000,000 worth of coffee swept away by the big storm. When General Davis was military governor of the island the war department issued rations to the people of Porto Rico in order to help weather over the evil effects of the hurricane.

When the government passed under civil administration, however, the issuance of the rations was discontinued, as it was believed the islanders had sufficiently recovered. The general said that Dr. Williams was acting as assistant surgeon in the department and accompanied a small expedition under command of Major Watt, Fifth cavalry, which on a march across the island traversed the coffee plantation region. The doctor reported a bad state of affairs in this section in the way of sickness and want of food among the natives.

General Davis said that he was turned over to Governor Allen.

## CONGER SIGNS AGREEMENT

Close of the Most Important Phase of the Negotiations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Secretary Cuyler has received a telegram from Minister Conger, at Peking, announcing that he had signed the agreement reported by the foreign ministers, but had done so with a written explanatory statement setting forth the exact position of his government.

It is believed that the United States alone, while sanctioning the provisions of the agreement relative to the maintenance of permanent lines of communication, location guards and prohibition of the importation of arms into China, indicates clearly that constitutional reasons prevent the executive from making any pledge to take part in the execution of the plan.

The signature of the agreement by the ministers closes what is regarded as the most important and the most difficult phase of the negotiations as to China, for it is not doubted that the Chinese envoys will adhere to the agreement without amendment.

## TREATY SENT TO LONDON

It Is Submitted Without Comment on the Amendments.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The state department decided to send the amendments to the Hay-Panamao treaty to the British government today. The state department will make no representation whatever as to the changes made in the treaty; the senate amendments will be allowed to speak for themselves, and the British government in notifying them to the British government will be purely informal.

It is stated that there has been no exchange whatever, either in the shape of written notes or oral communications between the state department and the governments of Nicaragua and Costa Rica that has developed a threat on the part of these governments to refuse assent to the construction of a canal in view of the action of the United States senate on the Hay-Panamao treaty.

## United States Not Responsible.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The German embassy has laid before the state department the claims of a number of German subjects for damages to their interests in Cuba as a result of the Spanish-American war and the insurrection which led up to the war itself. This action of the German government has raised the question of the responsibility of the United States government in this connection.

**MacDonald Is Improving.**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Samuel MacDonald, the treasury clerk who shot and killed Frank H. Morris, auditor for the war department, Saturday, and then attempted suicide, was reported to be better today. Last night he had a sinking spell and it was thought at the hospital that he could not survive until morning.

**Rouse Will Recover.**  
TALLAHASSEE, Dec. 24.—Senator Rouse, who was shot at Ashmore last Thursday, when Edgar Nims was killed, is not dead. Rouse was brought here Saturday, where he could have proper medical treatment. Hope is entertained for his recovery. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of murder in the second degree against Walker and at the preliminary hearing Saturday he was held for manslaughter.

**Boat Sunk; Both Drowned.**  
TAMPA, Fla., Dec. 24.—The body of W. H. Bigelow, who has been missing since last Wednesday, has been found near Tarpon Springs. He went out in a small boat with a negro and not returning he was reported missing. It is believed they overloaded the boat and it sank, both being drowned. The bodies were badly mutilated by sharks.

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## DRAGGED FROM HOME; MAY HAVE BEEN KILLED

Evidences of Severe Struggle In the House.

Young Lady Left at Home Alone Disappeared During Her Sister's Absence—Possibly Searching For the Criminal—Cudahy Kidnaping.

PUEBLO, Colo., Dec. 24.—Maggie Hoel has been missing since about 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon and it is feared that she has been murdered.

The girl, who was about 18 years old, lived with her sister, Mrs. Charles Beatty, in a lonely spot about 37 miles west of the city. On Saturday Mrs. Beatty left Maggie in charge of her little child at her home. Upon her return two hours later her sister was gone and the baby was alone in the house.

Indications about the premises led to the immediate suspicion that the girl had been taken from her home by force. There were evidences of a struggle and in the yard were found the foot prints of a man evidently of large size and weight. At other places the trail indicated that the girl was dragged or carried along by her captors.

Near the river bank where the ground is harder all traces were lost. A large number of men have been searching, but the girl has not yet been found. At Mrs. Beatty's home Maggie Hoel was seen by the police Saturday morning when she was nearly worn out of doors were found undisturbed.

In the immediate vicinity a large force of men have been working on reservoirs now under construction.

## HAS IDENTIFIED PAT CROWE

He Is the Man Who Made Inquiries About Cudahy.

OMAHA, Dec. 24.—A man whose name the police refuse to reveal has identified Pat Crowe as the light complexioned individual who, in company with a woman, accosted him in the vicinity of the Robert's saloon regarding the ownership of the house at which young Edward Cudahy was carried by kidnapers last Thursday night.

When shown a picture taken from the rogue's gallery of Crowe the man stated positively that it was a perfect likeness of the man he saw at Thirty-sixth and Grover streets. Questioned closely as to the man's countenance, his name and general description, he gave a detailed statement which convinces the authorities that they are on the right track.

The man's account is so interesting for the renting of the house with the man supposed to be Crowe he made sufficient note of his personal appearance to be absolutely certain as to the identification.

## WOMAN CAUSED HIS ARREST

Tennessee Bank Robber's Capture Due to the Telephone Girl.

MANCHESTER, Tenn., Dec. 24.—The capture of the burglar who robbed the Manchester bank Friday night and the recovery of all the money was due to the incident of the Manchester Telephone Exchange being located over the telephone.

## NEW RAILROAD PROJECTED

It Will Run From Rutherfordton to Spartanburg.

RUTHERFORDTON, N. C., Dec. 25.—Application will be made to the next session of the general assembly for an act authorizing a vote on bonds in Rutherfordton, Sulphur Springs and Union townships to be subscribed to the Rutherfordton Railroad company, which will be chartered by the next legislature, for the purpose of building from Rutherfordton, N. C., to Spartanburg, S. C., or any other point in South Carolina, or in Polk county, N. C. It is certain that the bonds will be voted and the road built. Spartanburg county has already voted \$50,000 to build a road to Rutherfordton.

**Cullom Bill Indorsed.**  
WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 25.—The Wilmington chamber of commerce has unanimously indorsed the Cullom bill, providing for the enlargement of the powers of the interstate commerce commission. The action was based on a request from the Louisville chamber of commerce to join that body in condemning the measure. Resolutions were passed requesting North Carolina's representatives and senators to use their influence in behalf of the bill.

**Will Appoint White Men.**  
RALEIGH, Dec. 25.—One of the highest officials here, who is very close to Senator Pritchard, says he has reason to believe that President McKinley will make sweeping changes in federal appointments during the next year, and that these changes will give office to many men who this year supported the administration for the first time, the president desiring to recognize that element as giving special strength to the party.

**Stomach Removed.**  
CHATTANOOGA, Dec. 24.—Although his stomach was removed by the doctor, Albert Foushore of this city, is still living, and in all probability he will recover. About a month ago Foushore, while working as a machinist in a local shop, sustained an internal injury which caused him to suffer excruciating agony. Dr. Berlin was called in and he said that it would require some heroic treatment to save the man's life. Foushore was removed to a hospital, where the operation was performed.

**Murdered and Robbed.**  
LOUISVILLE, Dec. 24.—John Happleman, night watchman for the Green River Asphalt company, was murdered and robbed at the company's plant in this city early Sunday morning. His body was found yesterday with his skull crushed in and his pockets rifled. He was wearing a watch which had been paid him the night before. Five men, who are suspected of being implicated in the crime, are under arrest.

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