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TWO HUNDRED DROWNED.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT TO A CHINESE STEAMSHIP.

She Takes Fire and the Crew and Passengers Become Panic-Stricken and Jump into the Sea.

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Advices from China give particulars of the burning of the steamship Shanghai, near Woohoo, in the province of Nghan Holi, about fifty miles from Mauking.

The earliest news received stated that the victims consisted of about sixty natives, together with several European officers who were supposed to have met death either in the flames or subsequently by drowning, while attempting escape from the burning vessel.

It now seems that the number of lives lost will amount to over two hundred and all were lost by drowning.

A terrible panic appears to have occurred among the Chinese passengers and crew as soon as the alarm of fire was heard and the panic increased terribly when the flames spread beyond control.

The terror-stricken crew and the few European officers on board the Shanghai seem to have done their best to maintain some kind of order among the Chinamen without result. A large majority of those who lost their lives did so by jumping overboard in order to escape the flames. The others met death through swamping in the clumsily-lowered and over-crowded boats.

NO OUTBREAK POSSIBLE.

Gen. Miles Has the Hostile Indians Surrounded.

DICKENSON, N. D., Dec. 27.—Lieutenant Suydinham and Scout Spencer, of Capt. Fountain's command of eighth cavalry, have arrived here with dispatches. They report no foundation for the story that the command is hemmed in by five hundred hostiles in Cove hills. Capt. Fountain had not, up to Christmas morning, been able to discover any trace of the Indians, but had learned that Sitting Bull's followers are on their way to the Pine Ridge and Cherry creek reservations. The stories about the ranchmen murdered and property destroyed by the hostiles is also stated to be unfounded and as far as the military authorities here are aware not a shot has been exchanged between the Indians and troops.

The general summary of the dispositions of the troops shows that the entire reservation is hemmed in by the troops ready for the field and the fears of an outbreak in the spring are groundless.

A DISSOLVING TURKEY.

How it Became a Quail and Then a Sore Head.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—The most unlucky man in Chicago is John Bellew, who went into a West Madison street saloon with an eighteen-pound turkey, which he had won at a raffle. While he was drinking another gambler appeared with a ten-pound turkey, which he surreptitiously exchanged for the larger bird.

Bellew took another drink, and when he turned around to go home he found that a second thief had left a chicken on the bar and gone off with the ten pound turkey. While he was out in the street looking for the thief, a third robber walked away with the chicken, leaving a mussed up quail in its place. Bellew, now thoroughly angered, put the quail in his pocket and started home. While on the way he was hit on the head and robbed of the quail, a watch and some money.

FIRE IN A PRISON.

Part of It Destroyed--No Estimate of the Loss.

AUBURN, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Fire broke out in the broom shop in Auburn prison at 7 o'clock, and spread into the adjacent shops. The slate shop was entirely destroyed and the broom shop badly damaged. The store room of the collar shop was partly burned; the chair shop slightly damaged. There is no estimate of the losses, neither is it known how or where the fire started.

Fred. A. Mildock and Joe Evans, fireman, while on a ladder were precipitated into the ruins by the falling of a wall and were seriously injured. They are now in the prison hospital.

LOST BARGES.

Where are They and the Crews on Board of Them?

DELAWARE BREAKWATER, Del., Dec. 27.—The steamer Satura, from Roston for Newport News, put in here this morning. The Captain reports that he lost the barges Stormking and Antelope, which he was towing, at 6 o'clock yesterday morning during the storm. At the time the barges broke loose the Satura was about thirty-five miles northeast of Fire Island.

COTTON.

The Total Supply in Bales Now in Sight in the World.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Total visible supply of cotton for the world is 3,337,359 bales, of which 2,849,559 are American, against 3,161,623 and 2,755,223 respectively last year. Receipts at all interior towns, 180,570 bales; receipts at plantations 314,261; crop in sight 5,289,686 bales.

South Carolina Phosphate Revenue.

COLUMBIA, Dec. 27.—The returns of phosphate rock mined and removed from the navigable water of this state for the quarter ending November 30, which is the first quarter of the phosphate year of 1891, have just been filed with the state agricultural department and show a considerable increase in this the heaviest revenue in the state. The figures are for the quarter, 4,807,059 tons.

The Senate Meets and Adjourns.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—There were 18 senators present when the senate met at noon. Prayer was said by the chaplain, and then the journal of Wednesday last having been read and approved the senate, on motion of Mr. Hoar, adjourned till Monday noon.

SCANT COURTESY.

Were These Ladies Intentionally Misinformed?

A number of ladies went to the Richmond and Danville railway depot this morning intending to take the Murphy branch train for the west. On reaching the station, knowing there was some trouble on the line, but ignorant of the nature of it, they asked of the ticket agent at what time the train on that division would leave. They were told that its schedule was 6:40, and in reply to a second question were also told it would go out this morning. After waiting for some time, and not feeling assured, they asked the attendant in the waiting room about it and were again told that the train would go out. The ladies waited until about 8:15, or about an hour after the time they reached the depot, and then a man who appeared to be connected with the railroad came in and the ladies casually heard him, in conversations with a friend, remark that the train would not go out for several hours and possibly not all to-day. This caused the waiting passengers to enquire at headquarters, the train dispatcher's office, and they were there told that the train would not go for several hours. Thus the information which should have been given at first was imparted an hour later, and after the ladies had sent their carriage home.

AT ALMSHOUSE AND JAIL.

The Ladies Did Not Forget the Paupers and Criminals

It is gratifying to know that the true spirit of Christian benevolence pervades the city and that the festive occasion of Christmas tide was not confined to the homes where mistletoe and holly were bountiful, but that in places where luxuries were unknown the Christ child's advent was recalled.

Particular mention should be made of two feasts at the alms house and the jail; the first under the auspices of the Flower Mission, and the other by the W. C. T. U. At the alms house a table was spread in regular banquet style, with pyramids of fruit, etc. Grateful speeches were made by several of the inmates and all hearts were overflowing with gratitude.

Mrs. Turner, the superintendent of prison work, accompanied by Mrs. Fitch Taylor, visited the jail, carrying delicacies and Christmas cards. A Christmas service was held and words of solace and encouragement given.

It is to be hoped that much good may result to these unfortunates and criminals from such attentions paid them by Christian people.

A RARE MUSICAL TREAT.

The Symphony Club at the Grand Opera House.

The concert of the Boston Symphony Orchestral club last evening was of a very high order of merit. Where each member is an artist in his line it is difficult to discriminate, but the flute solo of Fr. Rueqnoy was extremely fine and was encored.

Miss Mantell's singing was highly appreciated as she was recalled after each song. She has a very clear and sweet voice.

The violincello solo by Mr. Ernest Oehlhey was a perfect gem and he was recalled and gave another very sweet selection.

Mr. Alfred DeSeve's violin solo was remarkably fine and shows him to be an artist of the highest rank; he too had to respond to an encore.

Mr. Richard Stoelzer in his Viola d'Amour solo was excellent and he was twice recalled.

There was not as large an attendance as the merits of this musical aggregation deserved but those present heartily appreciated the program, and were sorry they could not have them here oftener.

THE SOUTH AND THE FAIR.

The Peopld Down Our Way Said to be Enthusiastic.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Vice-Chairman McKenzie, of the National World's Fair commission, has returned from his tour through the Southern states. He was enthusiastic, because, he said, wherever he had went he had found the people enthusiastic.

"The men I talked with," he added, "said they intended to bring their best exhibits to the word's fair. 'We must, to keep up with the procession,' they say, 'and we are not going to let the western states get the best of us. The south is the most prosperous section of the country, and it is the only section to which the immigrants can go. They can sell him land for the rent he has to pay in the northern states, and these people are going to use the world's fair to invite immigration.'"

Still More Like Him.

From the Fliegende Batter.

"Your son, the student, ordered this likeness from me." "It is certainly very much like him. Has he paid for it?" "Not yet." That is still more like him."

CHURCH NOTICES.

French Broad Baptist church—Preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor, J. L. Carroll.

First Baptist Church—Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. W. A. Nelson. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Sunday school at the Methodist Chapel on College street beginning promptly at 4 p. m. Claude Miller, superintendent. There will be no other service.

First Presbyterian church—Rev. W. S. P. Bryan, pastor. Divine worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m. Young people's prayer meeting at 6.45 p. m.

North Asheville M. E. church, South—Rev. C. M. Campbell, pastor. Divine Service at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath school at 9:30 a. m. Everybody invited to attend.

Riverside M. E. church, South—Divine service 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. by the pastor, Rev. I. C. Troy. Sunday school at 3 p. m. All are cordially invited to attend these services.

Trinity (P. E.) church—Rev. McNeely Dullose, rector. Holy communion 7:30 a. m. Morning service 11 o'clock. Children's Christmas service 4 o'clock. Special mission service 7:30 p. m., sermon by Rev. Mr. Kitson, on "The sacraments." Sunday school and Bible class 9:30 a. m.

VIEWED WITH SUSPICION.

WHY SENATOR PADDOCK IS AGAINST THE FORCE BILL.

It is Purely a Political Matter in Which Only the Straight Out Republicans are Interested—It Also Would Hurt Business.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The Post publishes the following:

Senator Paddock, of Nebraska, was in earnest when he warned the senate a few days ago that he would soon move to lay aside the elections bill and take up the pure food bill, and he will, before long, again take occasion to renew the warning, but he will first give his party ample opportunity either to pass the elections bill or conclude to lay it aside.

"My position," he says, "is that I regard the consideration of the bill at this time as unwise. I think that it would be better to discuss and pass a financial measure. The elections bill is purely a political matter, in which only the straight out republicans in the country are interested, while the financial legislations vitally concerns all business men, and is sadly needed.

"Another thing against the elections bill is that it is regarded with a suspicion that may not be well founded, but which is certainly operating to disturb the business relations between the north and south."

WEST VIRGINIA WEALTH.

Heavy Investments by Vanderbilts and Others in That State.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 27.—Morgan, Drexel & Co., of Philadelphia, who represent the Vanderbilt interests, have purchased 50,000 acres of coal and coke lands in Raleigh county. The Chesapeake and Ohio railroad has also bought large tracts of mineral and lumber lands, and are laying down new railroads. The Baltimore and Ohio railroad people have purchased 75,000 acres of mineral and timber lands from ex-Senator J. N. Camden of this city. The syndicate, representing Senator Gormon, of Maryland, Secretary of State James G. Blaine, ex-Senator Henry G. Davis, Stephen Elkins, and others, have purchased within the past few weeks a number of tracts of timber and mineral lands, ranking in extent from 10,000 to 20,000 acres in each tract. Railroads are being laid off or prospected through all these lands.

Besides all this, engineers have lately traced the Pocahontas coke field from the head of Guyan river across Indian mountain to the Otter and Barker forks of Guyan, through Wyoming, across Raleigh county, following the Peney valley through Fayette county to the New river coal country.

Across and through this entire stretch there is an average of four veins of coal, both bituminous and channel.

A PLUCKY WOMAN.

Believing Her Husband Innocent She Procures His Release.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 25.—Frank B. Aldrich was sent to the penitentiary last November for eight years on the charge of having buncoed an old gentleman named Lemon, who resides in Allegheny, out of $1,000.

Mrs. Aldrich believed her husband innocent and first interested the Rev. Mr. Beatty, of Columbus, O., in the case. He wrote letters to the Pennsylvania Pardon Board and to Warden Wright. Then she travelled all over the country procuring evidence and enlisting in her cause prominent men. The result was she proved a case of mistaken identity, so strong that the pardon was granted.

Mrs. Aldrich was at the penitentiary bright and early Christmas morning. In the Warden's office she noticed a man coming toward her with head bowed down. At first she did not recognize him, but a moment later he raised his head. It was her husband; they had a joyful meeting.

It has been found that the real bunco men have been in Europe several times since comming the crime.

LIMITATIONS OF LYMPH.

An Expert Opinion on Mr. Koch's Discovery.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Dr. George F. Shrady says in the Medical Record on the limitations of the curative lymph:

"So far it must be conceded that Koch's lymph has shown no special remedial power against pulmonary tuberculosis. There is a belief that it is more effective against larnygeal tuberculosis, but we hear as yet of no announced cures. Its specific effect upon lupus so far is quite interprising. Temporary cures have certainly been produced by it."

Christmas at St. Andrews.

The Christmas tree at St. Andrew's chapel, just over the French Broad river, was a great success, notwithstanding the weather. About fifty children were made happy with warm clothing, toys and candy. The chapel was decorated with greens and lighted with Chinese lanterns and candles.

Senator Hearst Very Sick.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Senator Hearst is better this evening than he has been for several days. No one but his nurse is permitted in his room. He is a very sick man, but his physican feels greatly encouraged by his patient's favorable symptoms to-day.

AFFAIRS OF CONSEQUENCE.

HOME.

Dr. Koch's lymph, which is called kochine, will be tried for cancer in New York.

The New York police commissioners decline to appoint police matrons, through the law is mandatory.

Wealthy invalids who cannot secure the Koch treatment otherwise are applying to the hospitals for admission along with the needy poor.

It is announced that Baker Brothers & Co., and B. K. Jamison & Co., Philadelphia bankers, who suspended several weeks ago, will resume business and pay dollar for dollar.

William Strong was arrested on the charge of robbing his former employers, Schcutte & Co., of Pittsburg, Pa., of $1,000. When arrested Strong was a leading character in a Santa Claus entertainment at the Bingham and Thirteenth street Methodist Episcopal church. A sensational scene followed, as he was very prominent in church work.