

THE CRISIS PAST

Mrs. McKinley Now on the Road to Recovery

NO PUBLIC FUNCTIONS

School Children Disappointed by the Failure of the President to Review Their Parade—Kodak Fiends

San Francisco, May 17.—A marked change for the better in the severe illness of Mrs. McKinley occurred today, and the most sanguine opinion of those who are watching over her is that the danger point has been passed. It now seems apparent that the first improvement in her condition which occurred yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock marked the passing of the crisis, and under the watchful care of her physicians she will not again relapse. The report of her near relatives and friends at the improved condition in her illness was such as to prepare them for any further improvement that might be noted today. Secretary Cortelyou issued the following bulletin:

"Mrs. McKinley has had a good night and her condition is so much improved that her physicians will not hold another consultation until the afternoon."

Before 11 o'clock all of the members of the cabinet who are in San Francisco, except Secretary Hay, went to the Scott residence to ask the President personally regarding Mrs. McKinley's health. He was almost boyish in his delight at the favorable turn that the case had taken.

The President's physicians were prepared for another sinking spell early this morning similar to that which occurred yesterday morning. Mrs. McKinley rested comfortably all day and it was not necessary to apply the strong restoratives which were resorted to the day before when it was thought that the end was approaching. She slept some time, and upon awakening her mind seemed clear and she was conscious. The President was at her bedside all of the time she was awake, and in fact only left the house for a half hour's drive in the afternoon. He went with Henry T. Scott, and those who saw him as he entered the house observed that he looked more cheerful and less worn than on the day before. Mrs. McKinley's condition has been a severe strain upon the President as for the past two nights he has been up almost constantly. Today he took several naps while Mrs. McKinley was asleep and was somewhat refreshed.

A review of the school children's parade was on the program for today, and the little ones expected until this morning that the President would be able to honor them with his presence, but it was impossible. This afternoon several hundred of them, sorely disappointed, gathered in LaFayette Square, opposite the Scott home, and watched for a glimpse of the executive. Finally a number of them drew up a request and signed it asking that the President come out on the front porch in order that the girls and boys might see him, but Mrs. McKinley was sleeping at the time and the message was delayed in reaching him, so when darkness fell the little folks had to go home without having their curiosity satisfied.

From early in the morning until late at night a crowd composed of both men and women continued to loiter in the park opposite the Scott home. A squad of policemen is kept continually on duty about the home to keep the people back a respectful distance and to suppress noise and any unnecessary outbursts. No vehicles are allowed to pass the residence. Most conspicuous in the throng which at one time today numbered fully 2,500 people, are the photographers and kodak fiends. They and their cameras are pointed toward the house like a battery of guns ready to fire. Every time there is a movement near the front door or a caller arrives several snap shots are taken.

General interest in the welfare of the President and Mrs. McKinley has reached such a state among the people of the city that prescriptions and remedies are beginning to be received, and the donor of each is willing to vouch for their respectful merits. This afternoon a motherly looking old woman called at the Scott home and begged to be granted an audience with the President. She had with her a bottle of old wine which she wished to present to him to help him regain strength. She was much disappointed when informed that it would be impossible for her to see the President. At 9:30 tonight Secretary Cortelyou issued the following bulletin:

"Mrs. McKinley's physicians find that the improved condition of the morning has been maintained through the day."

Forty Feet of Sea Serpent

Bainbridge, Me., May 17.—S. S. Chapman, captain, and Charles E. Brinkwater, mate, of the schooner Kiddy Lawry, which arrived here yesterday from Rockport, report that on Tuesday afternoon they saw an immense sea serpent in Penobscot Bay, so close to the vessel that they could not be mistaken. The huge snake was going along at steam-

RIGHTS OF BALL PLAYERS

National League Contracts Held to Be Inequitable

Philadelphia, May 17.—The injunction proceedings begun by the Philadelphia National League Baseball Club to enjoin Second Baseman Lajoie and Pitchers Bernhard and Fraser from playing baseball with the local American League club, and to enjoin the managers of that club from engaging the players, were dismissed by the judges of the Common Pleas Court today. The judges say the contract lacks mutuality. The court says if the injunction was granted, Lajoie's services would be subject to the Philadelphia baseball club for all time, while if the club cared to do so it could dispense with him on ten days' notice.

STRIKERS REFRAIN FROM FURTHER RIOTOUS CONDUCT

Terms Upon Which the Company Will Agree with Striking Employees—End of the Trouble in Sight

Albany, May 17.—At midnight it looked as though the United Traction Company and its striking employees tomorrow might reach an agreement whereby the strike will be settled at once. The executive committee of the company, after eight hours' conference this afternoon and tonight, made it plain to a committee representing the strikers just how far the company will go. If an agreement is reached it will embrace these three essential points:

First. Hereafter the company will be at liberty to employ men, whether or not they are members of the local union of the International Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees.

Second. The company will not take back in its employment strikers who have attacked the property of the company.

Third. The company agrees to the wage demand made by the men, giving all a twenty-cent-an-hour wage scale.

An agreement along these lines will be acted upon by the striking employees before 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, at which hour the executive officers of the company and the representatives of the strikers will hold a meeting to finally determine whether or not the men will accept the ultimatum of the company as outlined above.

The strikers met tonight to consider the company's final proposition. Of course, if the men accept, which their attorney, Mr. Wallard, expects they will, the carrying out of the agreement naturally would mean that the services of the 150 "professional" non-union men brought here from other cities by the company during the past few days to operate the road will be dispensed with.

The most eventful incident of the day was the arrival of the Ninth regiment from New York City this afternoon. More non-union men arrived in the city and cars were started from the North Albany barns in addition to the Quail street barn, the company operating fourteen cars today.

While the riot prevailed in the city today, yet it was no indication that all trouble was over, for it was not. The shooting of yesterday was discussed, but this time it was more with sorrow than anger. This was due to the fact that E. LeRoy Smith, who was wounded by a bullet from the arrival of the Ninth regiment, Wilson in the riot, died at Albany Hospital this morning. This makes the second death. Previous to his death Mr. Smith said: "It was right. They were justified in shooting, and I had no business to be where I was."

THE BROOKLYN AT MELBOURNE

British Loyalty Appreciates the Compliment

Washington, May 17.—On May 7 the following message from the Duke of Cornwall and York, dated Melbourne, Australia, was received here:

"To the President of the United States, Washington:

"I thank you, sir, for sending your fine cruiser, the Brooklyn, which I have just had the pleasure of visiting, to Australia to take part in the commonwealth celebration. Your action is deeply appreciated by myself and the Australian subjects of my father, the King.

"GEORGE."

The following reply was transmitted through the State Department today:

"His Royal Highness, the Duke of Cornwall and York, Melbourne:

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"WILLIAM McKINLEY."

DEAR TO THEIR HEARTS

Naval Officers Attached to Old Form of Commission

Washington, May 17.—When Capt. Charles D. Sigbee, chief naval intelligence officer, received the President's commission advancing him three numbers for his services in the war with Spain, he found that the engraved commission was almost illegible. Captain Sigbee called the attention of the Bureau of Navigation to this, and an examination was made of the plate from which the blank forms of commissions are printed. It was found that the plate was practically worn out, and that a new one was necessary. The old plate had been made by the American Bank Note Company in 1830 and had been used since then for printing the com-

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Remarkable Story Told by One "Dr." Stanley Who Occupied the Rooms Where the Body Was Found

New York, May 17.—Rev. Edward S. Phillips, rector of St. Gabriel's Roman Catholic Church at Hazleton, Pa., and known over the world as "the coal miner's friend," was found dead last night in the apartments of a man calling himself "Dr." Kird Stanley, in the rear of No. 730 Ninth Avenue. The priest had been dead probably seven or eight days and the police are now of the opinion that he was lured to the rooms by a woman who had lived for a year past with Stanley as his wife, and who is said to have been frequently seen at night, without escort, in the vicinity of Fourteenth street Third avenue.

The priest, who recently came to New York and succeeded in averting the threatened strike of the miners of the Pennsylvania Coal Company by pleading with J. P. Morgan, left Hazleton April 28th last. The next day he was registered at Fitzgerald's Hotel, Eighth avenue and Fifth street, and disappeared May 5th.

Stanley admits meeting the priest at midnight May 5th, and the landlady of No. 730 Ninth avenue says the woman who posed as Mrs. Stanley left her home on the morning of May 9th and has not since returned.

The police believe that the woman in the case met the priest in the street and that he went to the apartments where he died, that Stanley was with the body on his hands, did not know what to do, so hid it behind a portier and left it there to decompose, or until such a time as he could safely dispose of it. Stanley was arrested at 1:30 o'clock this morning. Coroner Bausca visited Stanley in his cell today, and there, after much persuasion, the prisoner told the following remarkable story to the coroner:

"It is true I knew the priest, and this is the way I became acquainted with him. I left my home about midnight May 8th and walked over to the corner of Ninth avenue and Fifteenth street. There I saw, standing on corner, the priest, talking with two girls. He was somewhat intoxicated, and so was I, and I had been drinking in my rooms. The priest was in good humor, and so were the girls. They spoke to me as I approached them and I stopped. After a little conversation I asked them to accompany me to my rooms, where we would have some whiskey. They all accepted the invitation, and in a few minutes we were seated in my sitting room, drinking whiskey.

"The girls remained with us about two or three hours and then left, saying they had to go home. After they left both the priest and I were taken ill. I don't know whether the girls had put anything in our drinks or not, but we were nauseated. The priest took a small bottle of medicine from his vest pocket and swallowed a little, and then told me to do the same. I did it and in a little while we both felt better.

"It was then the priest told me he was a Roman Catholic clergyman from Pennsylvania and offered to financially back me in my cure. He did not tell me his name.

"As dawn was breaking I told the priest I thought I would take a little walk, as the air would do me good, and I asked him to accompany me, but he said he would rather rest where he was. I went out and returned, I should say, two hours later. When I got back the priest was gone and that was the last time I ever saw him. The dead man in the room which Captain Donohue showed me was not the priest I knew. The dead man looks like a negro.

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