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THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

President McKinley Sends a Message to Congress Urging AN APPROPRIATION FOR A Representation By the United States.

Sherman Thinks the Sum Should Be \$350,000.

The President has sent the following message to Congress, urging it to make suitable provision for adequate representation of the United States at the Paris Exposition:

"To the Senate and House of Representatives: I transmit herewith for the consideration of the respective houses of the Congress, a report of the Secretary of State, representing the appropriateness of early action in order that the government of the United States may be enabled to accept the invitation of the French Republic, to participate in the Universal Exposition to be held in Paris in 1900. The recommendations of this report have my most cordial approval, and I urge upon the Congress such timely provision for this great international enterprise as will fittingly respond to the testified wish and expectations of our inventors and producers, that they may have adequate opportunity again, as in the past, to fortify the important positions they have won in the world's competitive field of discovery and industry, and to renew the traditional friendships of the United States and France and the mutual advantages to accrue from their enlarged commercial intercourse, less important factors than the individual interests to be fostered by renewed participation in this exhibition, especially when it is remembered that the present project will be complete and on a scale of magnificence equal to the Columbian Exposition in our own country."

Secretary Sherman, among other things in his report, says that if the United States is to be fittingly represented, steps should be taken to insure such representation by making the necessary appropriation, and recommends an appropriation of \$350,000.

FELL IN A FAINT.

When He Knew His Gigantic Insurance Plans Were Discovered.

At Pittsburg, Pa., C. Linwood Woods, of C. T. Woods & Co., bankers, has been arrested, charged with attempt at insurance swindling. When Woods was confronted by the arresting officer he fell in a dead faint. His mode of procedure was to insert advertisements in the local papers for old men to act as collectors. He would ask the applicant for bond, but kindly waived the bond if the applicant would sign an application for insurance on his life. This was generally secured and then Woods would get some irresponsible man to sign a promissory note to the C. T. Woods Banking Company, filed with amounts ranging from \$10,000 to \$15,000, so that consideration for the insurance policy at death could be claimed to be the debt established by the note.

LIMITED TO ONE WIFE.

The A. M. E. Church Shakes Up the Ministers for Their Several Sins.

The Virginia conference of the African M. E. church, which has been in session at Wytheville for some days, and those ministers who have not conducted themselves properly are trembling. Resolutions were passed condemning ministers for getting divorces from their wives. Bishop Handy declared that no man in the connection in the district would receive an appointment who had more than one wife. They also condemned the use of whiskey and several men who were found guilty of using intoxicating drink were left without appointment. Rev. Jas. Minter was expelled from the connection for having two wives. The ruling bishop, Handy, regards this as progressive step for the elevation of the negro race.

Reports Not Encouraging.

The river continues to rise slowly at Vicksburg, Miss., and at all points south, and the situation along the Louisiana system of levees is acute. Several thousand men are working and watching night and day to hold the embankments intact. Reports from the overflowed Mississippi delta are not encouraging. Many cabins are submerged to their very roofs, while several have been carried away by the swift current. At Greenville the river stands stationary.

Nominations Confirmed.

The United States Senate has confirmed the following nominations: Alfred E. Buck of Georgia, to be minister to Japan; James Boyle of Ohio, to be consul to Liverpool; Edgar Angier of Georgia, to be United States attorney for the northern district of Georgia; Marion Erwin, of Georgia, to be attorney for the United States for the Southern district of Georgia; Alexander J. Cook of Mississippi, to be United States marshal for the northern district of Mississippi.

Spalding Confesses.

President McKay, of the University of Illinois board of trustees, says that C. W. Spalding, treasurer of the board and president of the defunct Globe Savings Bank, at Chicago, Ill., has admitted to him and to Trustee James E. Armstrong, that he had hypothecated the University endowment bonds entrusted to his care, as treasurer.

Governor Altgeld is mixed up in the transactions of Spalding, in which the Globe Savings Bank, of Chicago,

ANNIVERSARY OF JEFFERSON.

W. J. Bryan Was the Guest of Honor.

The 154th anniversary of Jefferson's birthday was celebrated Tuesday night at the Metropolitan Hotel in Washington by a subscription dinner given under the auspices of the National Association of Democratic Clubs. The first celebration of the anniversary of Jefferson's birthday occurred at the same hotel, then known as the Indiana Queen. President Jackson was the guest of honor and the occasion was made memorable by the presence of Vice President John C. Calhoun and others, Democratic leaders of that day.

BELL COMPANY WINS.

A Decision in a Suit Involving Five Million Dollars.

The Supreme Court at Washington, D. C., has denied the petition for a writ of certiorari in the case of the American Bell Telephone Company vs. the Western Union Telegraph Company to compel the Circuit Court of Appeals for the first circuit to certify the case to the Supreme Court. The case involves the question of royalties claimed from the Bell company by the Western Union company, and was originally brought in the Circuit Court for the District of Massachusetts to secure an account there of royalties. About \$3,000,000 is involved. After instituting suit the Western Union sought to have it dismissed, and after it was dismissed the Bell company appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals when the decision of the Circuit Court was reversed. The Western Union Company sought to have the case reviewed by the Supreme Court, but the opinion rendered denies this petition. This takes the case back to the Circuit Court for further proceedings.

PURIFYING MISSISSIPPI WATER.

The Largest and Best Filter Plant in the World.

The largest, the costliest and best plant in the world has just been completed at Davenport, Iowa. Practical men, whose experience has made their opinions worthy of respectful attention, according to the Chicago Times-Herald, say that this plant really solves the water supply question for nearly all Western cities. The cost of the plant is \$1,300,000. The ten double filter shells, which contain the immediate water supply, have a capacity of 7,000,000 gallons. The water is taken from the Mississippi River at a point above any large sewage outlet, and where the river water is naturally aerated and oxidized by the presence of rapids.

STARVATION IN CHINA.

Hundreds Dying for Lack of Food.

A San Francisco, Cal., special says the natives in the vicinity of Ichang, China, are dying by hundreds of starvation. The grain crop last year was almost a total failure, and as the people exchanged their maize for rice to last them through the winter, food has been scarce for a long time. Supplies are now completely exhausted and the harvest of death has begun. The officials are making efforts to furnish food for the starving people by sending in rice, but the supplies they are able to contribute are so small and the number of those in direct need is so great that little good is accomplished.

Great Loss of Cattle.

Between blizzards and high water cattle on the ranges throughout the Northwest have been having a tough time of it since the first of last winter's storms. In several South Dakota counties the loss to stockmen will be 40 or 50 per cent., and scarcely anywhere will it fall below 20.

Beet Sugar Factories.

Seven beet sugar factories are now shown to be in operation in this country, and four others are building or contemplated. The rate of increase in sugar consumption for twenty-three years has been 278 per cent. in the United States; 142 in France; 139 in Germany; 107 in Austria, and 90 in England.

Streets Flooded.

Two hundred families were driven from their houses at Grand Forks, N. D., owing to the streets becoming flooded.

Germany's Protest.

Germany makes a vigorous protest against the sugar clause of the Dingley bill, claiming it to be a violation of an agreement heretofore made; she threatens to retaliate in the matter of importation of American pork; several other foreign nations make protests against the bill.

Senator Voorhees Dead.

Daniel Wolsey Voorhees, ex-United States Senator from the State of Indiana, is dead. He had long been a sufferer of rheumatism of the heart.

FLOOD AND AGRICULTURE.

The Crop This Year Depends Upon When the Water Recedes.

4,000,000 ACRES FLOODED.

A Statement By the Government Showing the Magnitude of the Interests Affected by the Flood.

A statement relative to the agricultural interests of the Mississippi valley, south of Illinois, has been issued by the Department of Agriculture at Washington. It is based upon a chart prepared under the chief of the Weather Bureau, showing the extent of the flood on April 6. To this chart the Department has appended the crop statistics of 1896, as representing more closely than any other available data the acreage and value of the crops now in jeopardy in the flooded districts of Mississippi in the ratio of more than 5 to 1, in Missouri; 100,335 in Arkansas; and the remainder almost equally divided between Missouri and Tennessee. Taking the entire region, the colored population outnumbered the whites in the proportion of 13 to 7, a third predominating in the north of the Mississippi in the ratio of more than 5 to 1, in Missouri and Tennessee the population of the flood district is largely white, in the former State in the proportion of 10 to 1, and in the latter, 20 to 1. The flood districts, it is estimated, contain about 30,000 farms, of which 15,000 are in Missouri; nearly 10,000 in Arkansas, and a like number about equally divided between Missouri and Tennessee. These farms have a total area of about 3,800,000 acres, one half of which is in Missouri, and rather over one fourth in Arkansas, the proportions in Missouri and Tennessee being about the same as in the case of the number of the farms.

NEWS ITEMS CONDENSED.

Southern Penitentiaries.

Harris Bramlett, the most noted noonshiner in Georgia, has been captured and jailed at Atlanta.

The Kentucky Building and Loan Association.

The Kentucky Building and Loan Association law has been declared unconstitutional by Judge Scott at Winchester.

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The dead body of Charles Hoffman.

The dead body of Charles Hoffman, a well-known and respected citizen, was found in a chapel, about four miles from Brunswick, Ga. He had shot himself through the head. He had evidently gone into the building for the purpose of committing suicide.

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NORTH BOUND.	
Leave Wilmington	No. 2, Daily, 8:00 a. m.
Arrive Fayetteville	11:10 "
Leave Fayetteville	11:21 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	11:27 "
Leave Sanford	1:00 "
Leave Climax	2:25 "
Arrive Greensboro	3:25 "
Leave Greensboro	3:35 "
Leave Stokesdale	4:23 "
Leave Walnut Cove	4:55 "
Leave Rural Hall	5:24 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	6:50 "

SOUTH BOUND.	
Leave Mt. Airy	No. 1, Daily, 8:40 a. m.
Arrive Maxton	10:04 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10:52 "
Leave Stokesdale	11:07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11:55 "
Leave Greensboro	12:15 P. M.