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NEWS IN BRIEF GUSTS

BLOWN IN FROM ALL PARTS OF THE EARTH.

An Important Record of the Week
As Told by the Telegraph—Latest from Foreign Shores—Crimes, Calamities, Fires, Etc.

Geners to Aid in Reconstruction.

A dispatch from Remedios, Province of Santa Clara, Cuba, via Havana says: Gen. Maximo Gomez, the Commander-in-chief of the Cuban army, has placed himself in position as an active ally of the United States Government in the work of reconstruction of Cuba. As a result of the conference which Robert P. Porter, the special commissioner of President McKinley, had had with Gen. Gomez, the latter cabled to President McKinley assuring him of his co-operation in endeavoring to have the Cuban soldiers distributed among the Cuban soldiers to \$3,000 appropriated for the purpose of enabling them to return to their homes. Gen. Gomez also telegraphed to Maj. Gen. Brooke saying he would accept the latter's invitation to go to Havana.

Died with His Boots On.

Bob Marks, a noted sporting character and typical dead shot of Texas, was killed in a fight with John W. McSwain, proprietor of the Tex. Silver King saloon and gambling house at San Antonio, Texas. Marks had been drinking, and announced as he left his own saloon that he was going to die with his boots on. He entered the Silver King saloon and threatened to do just that. The girls were drawn. Marks and his five companions, he revolver, shooting Bennett through the abdomen. Struck through the floor mortally wounded, Bennett fired three shots at Marks. The latter was shot through the body and died with his gun still in his hand. Bennett died in a few hours.

Big Columbus Blaze.

Fire made a clean sweep of fine property bounded by High, Chestnut and Wall streets, Columbus, Ohio, as far as possible. The Green & Joyce building may not be a total loss. The loss is estimated at \$1,100,000. The Green, Joyce & Co. building and stock were worth \$750,000; the Dunlap building, \$75,000; Chicago bankrupt store, \$100,000; the Souder Bright building, \$75,000; McCauley, milliners, \$25,000; the building, \$75,000; the shoe and clothing houses, \$25,000. Several firemen were injured by a falling wall. None were seriously.

Forty People Injured.

A wreck occurred at Dyerville, eighteen miles east of Manchester, Iowa, on the Illinois Central, which resulted in injuring about forty persons. The westbound passenger train was lying at the station and was run into, from the rear by a freight train, the engine going at almost full speed. Two Pullman cars were badly damaged, and one day coach, which was filled with passengers, was completely demolished. It seems almost miraculous that no one was killed.

Alger Red-Handed.

The interview with Miles, in which he says he has affidavits and reports proving the beef was embalmed, has stirred the War Department to its foundations. Secretary Alger, it is said, will ask the President to take action immediately. On the strength of the evidence thus far, he is guilty of neglect of duty in not reporting it to the Secretary of War. Besides, there was a strict rule against airing such matters in newspapers, Alger red-handed.

Closer Customs Inspection.

A New York dispatch says: "The new Treasury regulation, providing that American tourists returning home shall make detailed declaration of all things purchased abroad, has gone into effect. The cabin passengers by land, air, and water are being increasingly scrutinized, twenty-two, shivered in the cold, while the customs inspectors examined their smallest belongings. One small valise and hanging took twenty minutes to examine.

Two Killed in Powder Mill.

The press mill of the Ohio Powder Company, located five miles north of Youngstown, Ohio, was completely wrecked by an explosion of a pound of powder. Two employees—Evan Evans, aged 27 years, and Henry Dahm, aged 30—were instantly killed. Dahm leaves a widow and two children. Evans a single man. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

Fawn Felt to Death.

One man was instantly killed and three others fatally injured by falling a distance of fifty feet while working on a bridge over the extension of the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsfield road, at Punxsutawney, Penn. Charles Mohr of Hamburg, Penn., was killed and J. S. Treadle and Edgar Seeger of Selins Grove, Penn., were internally injured.

Killed by Natural Gas.

Patrick Flanigan, his wife and their son, were found dead in bed at Lafayette, Ind. They were asphyxiated by natural gas.

In Honor of Dewey.

The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs has decided to report favorably the joint resolution reviving the rank of admiral in the interest of Rear Admiral Dewey. The resolution was so amended as to extend the time of his retirement year.

Dakota Divorce Law.

The North Dakota House has passed a bill requiring a residence of one year before a divorce can be secured. It previously passed the Senate and will be approved by the Governor.

EASTERN.

Charles McLean, who says he is the "man" known as Schlett, all over the West, until his disappearance and reported death in New Mexico in 1897, is now in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Closely competition in business and inability to collect money due him from customers caused August Branding, a retail oil dealer of Carnegie, Pa., to commit suicide on his child's grave.

Louis J. Snare, who stole \$20,000 from his employers in New York in order that he might surround his dying wife with luxuries, has been sentenced to seven years in Sing Sing prison.

At Philadelphia, Robert T. Bink, Jr., aged 29 years, took his life in the same manner as that adopted by Mrs. Ayres at Penn Yan, N. Y., by closing his self in a trunk and taking poison.

Disabled by an accident to her steering gear during a trip up the sound, the steam launch boat J. C. Austin of New York ran on the rocks of Norwalk, Conn., and sank. Five persons lost their lives.

Theodore Kirschner, aged 60 years, shot and instantly killed his wife Paulina, aged 46 years, in their house at Newtonville, N. Y., by the careless handling of a gun, which was accidentally discharged.

A parrot that had more accomplish-

ments than a vaudeville star and a market

police, by too precipitately arresting four of the officers, enabled several others to escape.

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WESTERN.

Ex-Mayor R. R. Herrick of Cleveland is dead, aged 73.

In a snowdrift, which occurred at Apex, Col., Mrs. W. H. Rudolph and two children, aged 2 and 4 years, were killed.

A valuable mahogany stock belonging to J. Raynor in Chicago was destroyed by fire. The damage will amount to \$200,000.

Six prisoners escaped from the county jail at Canton, Ohio. They were aided by a trustee, who left their cell doors unlocked.

At Lima, Ohio, striking union printers have been issuing a daily paper to fight the local dailies, which refused to sign the new scale.

At Newark, Ohio, Charles Moore, indicted for murder, pleaded guilty to manslaughter and was sentenced to the reformatory.

Henry William Sebastian, president of the St. Louis Bridge and Iron Company, has been appointed receiver of the Farmers' Elevator Company.

At Canton, Ohio, Mrs. Charles Baum went to the barn, leaving an 8-year-old girl in the house. When she returned the child was burned to a crisp.

Jerome Colton & Co., stock dealers in Cincinnati, have brought suit for \$75,000 damages against the C. & G. Stock dealers of New York for libel.

A south-bound freight on the Valley Railroad was wrecked at Sandyville, O., by the dropping of a brake beam. Grant Slatz, a brakeman, was crushed to death.

Cleveland waiter girls have formed a union and affiliated with the Knights of Labor. The name of their organization is the "Lady Waiters" Industrial Association.

In a quarrel at Ardmore, I. O., over a trivial matter, John Edwards shot and killed Edward McSwain. McSwain had attempted to stab Edwards. Both men are prominent.

F. A. Torrey entered Kessler's saloon in West Toledo and shot down Thomas Black, a well-known employee of the Michigan Central Railway. An old grudge appears to have led to the crime.

Practically all the apples west of the Alleghenies, it is announced, are cornered in Indianapolis by J. L. Keach and his associates. The stock is in cold storage and is being held for further advance in price.

A marvelous strike of almost pure gold was discovered in the Lambella mine at Crystal Creek. The vein in sight is said to be six feet wide, twenty feet long and six inches thick, and the ore assays nearly \$300,000 to the ton.

On one of the Bass islands, in Lake Erie, has lived a family named Robson. A young child died. Preparations were made to convey the remains to the Canadian mainland. The entire family, with the hired man, set out in a small boat. The boat has been found badly damaged and the family is believed to believe that the little girl was jammed to pieces by an ice floe and that the funeral party went down to death in the lake.

At San Francisco, Charles Schulte, known there as a bartender and in Evansville, Ind., as the exiled son of a millionaire, died under mysterious circumstances. The seven men aboard the St. Lawrence got ashore and managed to live for ten days, when they were rescued by the ship.

According to a dispatch from Port Arthur, the Russian post in the Liang-Tung peninsula of China, had water is causing terrible mortality among the Russian troops. Two hundred and fifteen men died during the month of November and December, less nearly one-third, in the case of females, for good conduct.

Alonzo C. Yates of Syracuse, N. Y., died suddenly at Nine, France, aged 27 years. He was left a large fortune by his father, who was one of the wealthiest men in Syracuse. Young Yates quickly scattered his fortune between Syracuse, New York, Paris and Europe. He died in his cousin, Edna Yates of Milwaukee, a few years ago. His wife left him a short time prior to his departure for Europe in December last.

JUSTIFIES A CHANGE.

EXPANSION POLICY SHOWN NOT TO BE INCONSISTENT.

Two Notable Instances Serve to Prove that a Great Nation Can Alter the Purpose of a War After It Has Been Begun.

Senator Hearst and some of the other anti-expansionists declare that, because the Congressional resolution declaring war against Spain disengaged the purpose of making it a war of conquest, we cannot consistently take and keep any of the territory that has been wrested from Spain. The anti-expansionists say we should stand by our first proposition.

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