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## LOSES A SECOND SHIP.

### WRECK OF SPANISH CRUISER CRISTOBAL COLON.

Lemons Scarce and Very High Because of the Florida Failure—To Commemorate the Rout of the Hessians—China Accedes to England's Demand.

**Providence Favors Cuba.**  
Following closely upon the loss of the Spanish cruiser Barcezegui, which was sunk in collision with the Spanish merchant cruiser Morter of Moro Castle, at the entrance of Havana harbor at midnight Sept. 18, resulting in the drowning of Admiral Delgado Parcejo, Commander-in-Chief of the Spanish naval forces in Cuban waters, and forty-six men, comes of the Spanish warship Cristobal Colon, a second-class cruiser of about 1,200 tons displacement and 1,500-horse-power. All on board were saved. The Cristobal Colon formed part of the fleet of Spanish warships detailed to watch the coast of Cuba in order to prevent the landing of filibustering expeditions from the United States and elsewhere. The cruiser was wrecked and abandoned during a cyclone.

#### VICEROY LIU DEPOSED.

**Officials Held Responsible for the Se-Chuen Riots.**

Minister Derby cabled the State Department from Peking as follows: "Imperial decree issued. Abstract—Responsibility for Se-Chuen riots rests with officials. Viceroy Liu careless; took no notice of the beginning of the riots. He is deprived of office, never to be employed. Other officials to be punished." This would seem to indicate that the crisis impending in China, involving a naval demonstration by the British forces, has been averted, for a time at least, by a compliance with the principal demands of the British. It cannot be learned whether the decree conceded all of the demands made, and the cablegram makes no reference to the sweeping conditions imposed by the British Minister that the guilty officials be punished by suspension for three years on all promotions and appointments in the civil service in the Province of Se-Chuen. Viceroy Liu, whose fall is announced, has been in trouble before. The present conclusion, which has been brought about apparently by British threats, will not involve the abandonment of the independent investigation into the Ching-Tai riots which has been ordered by Secretary Olney.

#### BIG CARGO OF LEMONS.

**Tramp Steamer Brings Cargo of 26,900 Boxes Into New York.**

The British tramp steamer Sylvia, from Messina and Palermo, has just brought 26,900 boxes of lemons to New York. Owing to the entire failure of the Florida crop, together with short production in Sicily, lemons had jumped to \$10.25 a box and \$12.50 a case. A box holds from 130 to 150 lemons and a case just as many, only the fruit in the latter is larger and finer. In a day or two the steamer Victoria, from Malaga, Spain, is due with 22,000 boxes of lemons. Prices will then drop again. The nominal rate is from \$3 to \$4 a box. Not since 1883, when, owing to very small crops in Italy and Spain, lemons sold at \$10 a box, have they been high as within the last thirty days. Yet fruitmen say this year's invoices are only about 10 per cent. less than last year's. Last year Florida supplied New York with 150,000 boxes, and the total consumption in the metropolis was 200,000 boxes, or about 140 lemons for every man, woman and child.

#### WHERE WASHINGTON CROSSED.

**Monument at Taylorsville, on the Delaware, Dedicated.**

An immense assemblage of Pennsylvanians and New Jerseyites took part in the exercises attending the dedication of the monument of Washington's crossing. This monument is at Taylorsville, formerly known as McKone's Ferry, and marks the spot where Washington and the patriot army crossed the Delaware River on a bleak December night and routed the British and Hessian troops at Trenton, N. J. The exercises consisted of the singing of patriotic songs, the reading of a poem and of historical papers, and an oration by General William S. Stryker, adjutant general of New Jersey.

#### MISSOURI BANKS CLOSED.

**Institutions at Monett and Purdy in the Hands of Receivers.**

A Jefferson City, Mo., dispatch says: The Bank of Monett and the Bank of Purdy, both Barry County institutions, have been closed by Secretary of State Lesueur upon notification by the State bank examiner of their insolvent condition, and are in the hands of receivers. This makes thirteen banks closed by the Secretary of State since the execution of the new bank examination law began on July 1, besides some half dozen others that anticipated the examination by making assignments.

#### WESTERN DEEP-WATER CONFERENCE.

The informal opening of the Western States deep-water conference was inaugurated at Topeka, Kan., by serenades at the various hotel headquarters. Gov. Morrill called the first session to order. Organization was effected and an address of welcome delivered by Gen. J. C. Caldwell, one of the heroes of Gettysburg, and ex-minister to the Argentine Republic.

#### Tobacco Crop Nipped by Frosts.

Central Kentucky experienced a killing frost. Much of the tobacco crop was still in the field and is almost entirely ruined.

#### Taught by Daughters of Ham.

At Lexington, Ky., there was a registration of women to vote for members of the Board of Education. Of 1,958 women 1,048 were colored. The white women did not register until they heard how numerously the colored women were putting down their names.

#### Go Up in Smoke.

The Red Cloud roller mill, elevator and warehouse, one of the largest plants in Nebraska, was totally destroyed by fire. The loss will amount to \$40,000, with \$20,000 insurance on building and machinery.

#### Re-Elect Old Officers.

The Committee on Nominations presented its recommendations at the opening of Thursday morning's session of the deep-water conference in Cleveland, Ohio, for the re-election of the old officers and the election of seven members of the Executive Board. The report was promptly adopted.

#### The Franco-Russian Alliance.

The Berlin Krieg Zeitung declares that the Franco-Russian alliance has now become a political factor of the first importance. At any moment war, which up to the present time has been avoided only by a miracle, may break out.

#### NEW POWER IN CHINA.

Russian Influence Becoming Dominant in the Orient.

Reports to officials and to the diplomatic representatives of Eastern countries indicate that Slavonic or Russian influence is becoming dominant, and that the Anglo-Saxon or English influence, which has hitherto been uppermost in the development of the East, is being systematically and surely eliminated from the control of China and the East. This evolution is regarded as of great importance. The advance of Russian influence and the retirement of the British have come by almost imperceptible stages, none of which has been sufficient in itself to attract marked attention, but all of them combining toward complete Russian supremacy. At the close of the recent war Russia dictated the evacuation of the Liao-Tung Peninsula and the great fortress of Port Arthur, which had been captured by Japan. It is now believed by those in a position to be officially informed of the situation, that it is the ultimate purpose of Russia to occupy Port Arthur, and that the formal evacuation by the Japanese will be followed before long by a Russian entry under Chinese approval. After Russia had dictated the retirement of the Japanese from Port Arthur, the Russian Government advanced the sum necessary to pay the first installment of indemnity to Japan. The amount reached \$100,000,000 in gold, including the war indemnity and the payment for the release of Pei-Arthur. This has followed within the last few days by reports of a Russian bank which will be a medium of China's financial dealings with Russia. These are some of the principal events which are regarded by those in official positions as tending towards Chinese dependence on Russia.

#### CHINA'S WAR LESSON.

How the Late Unpleasantness in the Orient Affected Trade.

The Department of State is in receipt of a report on the trade of China for 1894 prepared by the secretary of the British legation at Peking. The most remarkable feature of this trade for the year is found in the facts that, notwithstanding the Japanese war and many other untoward circumstances, good results were obtained and that a promising revival of commercial prosperity has set in. Both exports and imports show an advance and the customs revenue was increased by every division of trade with the one exception of Indian opium. The receipts from the exports exceeded the maximum collected during the most prosperous days of the tea trade. In accounting for this condition the author of the report says no ports were blockaded during the war and the usual calamities of the war were almost wholly absent. The report takes the position that the opening of the ports of Suchow and Hangchow by the Japanese treaty will have little influence on the volume and value of foreign trade, and account of the absence of banking and shipping facilities at those places. Commenting upon the effect of the war, the writer of the report says: Even if, as may be the case, China has learned no lesson by the war, yet it seems scarcely credible that she will be able to avoid some measures of reorganization, if not merely in self-defense, at least by the necessity of providing money for the large indemnity which must be paid.

#### INCREASE IN PENSTON LIST.

A Thousand Names Added in Excess of Those Struck Off.

A year ago Commissioner of Pensions Lachman said that the limit had probably been reached in the number of pensions, or rather in the amount to be yearly appropriated for pensions, but that for two or three years the payments would remain about the same. It was his opinion that there would be a slight reduction in the number of pensioners on account of deaths, but that the allowance of new pensions with back pay and arrears would probably keep the amount about even. While the amount of money paid for pensions will not be materially different from that past years, it appears that there has been added to the pension rolls during the year about 1,000 names in excess of those that have dropped out, so there has been an increase instead of a decrease. There have been a great many outstanding pension claims adjusted during the year, and that accounts for the large increase. The year has been very fatal to pensioners, the death rate being less than would be anticipated at the time of life at which the veterans of the late war have arrived.

#### BOLD ROBBERY.

Woman Plundered in a Sleeping Car in the Heart of Chicago.

A daring robbery took place in Chicago on a Wabash sleeping car Thursday night and seems to have been successfully through the consummate nerve of its perpetrator. Mr. and Mrs. George Mack, tigers of the train, occupied one of the compartments in the rear car. Mr. Mack was, for a few moments absent in the smoker. A young man sprung upon the steps of the car as the train neared Archer avenue, pushed the porter aside without even offering him a tip, and made his way inside. He rushed into Mrs. Mack's compartment and told her to keep still and she would not be hurt. Catching up her purse and valise he turned to go, but Mrs. Mack seized his coat. He struck her twice in the face and knocked her down. Then he picked up a wrap and a dress skirt, added them to his boot and disappeared. The trainmen roused by the woman's screams, came to her rescue just too late to catch the robber.

#### League Season Finished.

The National Base-Ball League finished the season Monday with the clubs standing in the following order:

P. W. L. cont.

Baltimore .130 87 43 .639

Cleveland .130 84 40 .646

Philadelphia .131 78 53 .595

Chicago .130 72 58 .554

Boston .131 71 60 .542

Brooklyn .131 71 60 .542

Pittsburg .132 71 61 .538

Cincinnati .130 68 64 .508

New York .131 68 65 .504

Washington .128 43 85 .336

St. Louis .131 39 92 .298

Louisville .131 35 96 .267

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