

It is rumored in Paris that Capt. Dreyfus has been transferred from the Isle de Diable to Cayenne, where he awaits a steamer to carry him to a French or Algerian port.

Dedham, Mass., went into mourning, on the 29th, out of respect for the memory of the late Thomas F. Bayard. The flags on the town hall and courthouse were placed at half-mast.

A Paris dispatch intimates that President Faure will resign and seek re-election on an anti-revision platform, and that in the event of success he will at once dismiss the Brisson ministry.

An order of the war department directs that sick and wounded soldiers granted furloughs are entitled to \$1.50 per day commutation and transportation when traveling to and from their homes to posts of duty.

It is estimated that the total hop crop of the state of Washington will be between 27,000 and 30,000 bales. Work of picking has begun, and a considerable portion of the crop has already been contracted for.

Although the majority for prohibition throughout the Dominion of Canada is about 18,000, even the prohibition papers consider it too small to influence the government to attempt to enact prohibition legislation.

Sir John V. Moore, an alderman of the city of London, and senior partner of Moore Bros., leather merchants, was elected lord mayor of London, on the 29th, to succeed Horatio David Davies, the present incumbent of that office.

Col. John Hay was sworn into office as secretary of state on the 30th. The ceremony took place in the president's room at the White House, and the oath of office was administered by Justice Harlan, of the supreme court.

It now looks as if it would be November at the earliest before the next expedition can leave for the Philippines. None of the transports due at San Francisco have arrived, though they may put in an appearance at any moment.

Queen Louise of Denmark died at Copenhagen, on the 29th, at 5:30 a. m. The kings of Denmark and Greece and the princess of Wales, alternately, during many hours, held the hands of the dying queen, who for a few moments recovered consciousness, but could not speak.

It is expected that the French minister of justice, M. Sarrien, if he has not already done so, will issue directions that the rigors of the imprisonment of M. Dreyfus be modified, according to custom, pending a final decision in his case, which is now before the court of cassation.

At the meeting of the American Public Health Association at Ottawa, Ont., on the 29th the executive recommended that the governments of the United States, Canada and Mexico be requested to make the Bertillon system of classification of disease the basis of the census of 1900 and 1901.

Complaint reached the treasury department, on the 28th, from a steamship agency at New York, that one of their vessels, the *Arkadia*, had been refused permission by the Spanish authorities at San Juan, Porto Rico, to unload her cargo. The matter was referred to the war department.

The state department has given its assent, through the American consul at Apia, Samoa, to the return to Samoa, after an exile of ten years, of the former king, Mataafa. It is assumed that this chief is to be made king, to succeed the late King Malietoa, who died about a month ago.

The president has given instructions that all the sick at Porto Rico be sent north as soon as they are able to travel, his purpose being to relieve Gen. Brooke of the further care of the sick, and at the same time enable the men to receive the treatment obtainable in the better appointed home hospitals.

It is stated on good authority that a deal has been concluded by Delaware Indians for the purchase of 350,000 acres of land in Mexico, and that as soon as they secure settlement with the United States and the Cherokees, they will remove there. It is thought that many of the full-blood Cherokees will accompany them.

Rear-Admiral Montgomery Sicard, president of the board charged with the promotion of officers distinguished for gallantry during the late war, was retired, on the 30th, having reached the age of 63 years. Secretary Long, however, by special order, directed that the officer retain his place at the head of the promotion board.

The house and furniture of M. Emile Zola are about to be sold to satisfy a judgment of 30,000 francs obtained against him by three handwriting experts who recently won a libel suit, growing out of the Dreyfus case, against the author. The experts refused the offer of M. Octave Mirebeau to be responsible for the amount.

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CURRENT TOPICS.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

The British consul at Hong Kong has been instructed to protect the family of the Cantonese reform leader, Kang Yuwei, on his way to Hong Kong on board the steamer *Ballarat*.

A dozen persons, including a number of women and children, slid down a clothes line at a Chicago apartment house fire, on the 29th, and escaped. Seventeen others were rescued by firemen with ladders. Five persons were injured by flames and by jumping from windows.

Japanese advices state that scandals have developed concerning the financial management of two Japanese railway enterprises.

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Members of the Chicago W. C. T. U. want ginger pop used instead of wine at the banquet to be given the president there during the peace jubilee. They think the use of wine would detract from the dignity of the occasion; and that the president of the United States could be toasted more appropriately with pop or mineral water.

Hawaii is to come into the United States as a territory, with all the government machinery of an embryo state, according to the plans reached by the American commission recently returned from its visit to the islands.

Humiliated by the knowledge that he had been supplanted by another, and believing himself forever disgraced his profession, Scott Ingalls, leading actor of Julia Arthur's company, killed himself in New York by sending a bullet into his heart.

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The Epworth League of the Methodist church south now numbers 235,725 members.

The Madrid *Nacional* boldly advocates the giving up by Spain of the Philippines. This attitude is also taken by many of the leading papers throughout Spain, the view being that the retention of the archipelago is yet another pitfall for Spain.

The American peace commission has taken possession of its working quarters, a suite of seven rooms on the ground floor of the Hotel Continental in Paris, formerly used by the ex-Emperor Eugenie. American flags drape the entrance of the commission's apartments.

The Hawaiian commissioners returned to San Francisco, on the 30th, on the steamer *Gaelic*. Little in regard to their work in the islands and their probable recommendations could be learned, although they were willing to talk of the beauties of the island, and their kind and enthusiastic reception by the islanders.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

Savannah, the southern coast and the Sea Islands were visited, on the 2d, by a violent West Indian cyclone, which wrecked shipping at sea and property on land, and doubtless carried death and maiming to many homes. Growing crops were destroyed and the losses will aggregate a heavy amount.

Personal investigations made in the provinces, emphasize the determination of the Philippine insurgents to obtain a specific guarantee of favorable terms before releasing the prisoners now in their hands, and it is certain that they will never cheaply relinquish their dearly-bought conquests.

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At White lake, near Forestport, N. Y., a deer hunter while stalking mistook a moving object in the woods for a deer and fired, killing instantly his 16-year-old son.

Maj. T. C. Tupper, who died recently at Cleveland, O., was on the active list of the army for 32 years, having enlisted as a private in the Sixth United States cavalry in 1862.

George Mulligan, a Klondike miner, lost a purse containing \$61,000 in cash and checks in a San Francisco street car. Grimes John Donahue found it and restored it to him.

One hundred and twenty-three members of the sacred college of cardinals have died since Leo XIII. ascended the papal throne, and 67 of this number were of his own creation.

Lady Gay, a noted dog owned by Samuel B. Stannard, died at Mr. Stannard's kennel in St. Louis. The collie was valued at \$5,000 and has taken first prizes all over the country at bench shows.

Dr. G. Q. Colton, the noted American dentist who died in Rotterdam some time ago, had pulled more than 1,000 teeth in the course of his practice, and was the first dentist to use "laughing gas" in practice.

Robert Roberts, an English writer on religious affairs, the author of over 100 books and editor of the *Christadelphian*, of Birmingham, England, was found dead in his room in San Francisco from heart disease.

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HOOSIER HAPPENINGS

Told in Brief by Dispatches from Various Localities.

Off the Ticket.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 1.—The fact has just been made public that on September 12 Leonard J. Hackney, one of the judges of the supreme court of Indiana, had sent to the state board of election commissioners his formal withdrawal as a candidate for reelection on the democratic ticket. The reason generally assigned for this action on the part of Judge Hackney is that he has been offered a position as associate counsel by the Big Four railroad at a salary of \$6,000 a year for a term of years.

Little Girl Missing.

Warsaw, Ind., Oct. 1.—The two little daughters of Mrs. Grant Randall left their home to go to school Thursday and have not been seen since. All efforts to locate them by their parents and the officers have proved fruitless. Their father, Charles Miller, committed suicide a few months ago, and facts brought out at the inquest go to prove they have been kidnapped.

Had Thirteen Husbands.

Noblesville, Ind., Oct. 1.—Mrs. Polly Owens, who was lately married to William Owens, of White River township, near here, is now living with her thirteenth husband. Mrs. Owens has six children as the fruits of her former marriages, no two having the same name. She is about 50 years old. She was separated from the larger number of her husbands.

College Openings.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 1.—The various colleges that constitute the University of Indianapolis are beginning the sessions of 1898 and 1899. Wednesday the Medical College of Indiana opened its doors with nearly 200 students entering. The Indiana law school and the Indiana dental college will begin next Tuesday. Butler college will open Monday.

Prisons the Soldiers.

Anderson, Ind., Oct. 1.—In a letter from Quartermaster J. T. Brunt, of the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana infantry, to his family in this city, he says Gen. Fitzhugh Lee said to him: "I am going to take the One Hundred and Sixty-first to Havana with me as an escort and they will make a great parade in that city."

School Children's Pennies.

Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 1.—The governor has issued a proclamation inviting the school children of the state to contribute their pennies for the monument to be erected over the grave of La Fayette in Paris, it being the expectation to unveil this monument during the Paris exposition of 1900.

L. A. W. Nominations.