

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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DON CARLOS, the Spanish pretender, is one of the handsomest men in Europe. He is six feet tall and of splendid physique.

THE shattered health and mental trouble of Lord Randolph Churchill will soon lead to the retirement from politics of that brilliant English statesman.

SENATOR JOHN SHERMAN has scrap books covering the history of the United States for the past thirty-eight years. He has been keeping his letters since he was fifteen, and everything of value has been saved.

THE British war office is considering a proposition that all soldiers should be instructed in the elements of anatomy and physiology in order that they might be able immediately to stop the flow of blood from a leading artery.

MR. GLADSTONE is quite generally credited with having a thorough appreciation of his own genius. His wedding gift to Miss Tennant of a full set of the works of William E. Gladstone attests this fact anew.

Box elder trees are said to furnish a sap so closely resembling the sap of the maple that it can be used as a substitute, and experts can not detect the difference. Successful experiments have been made in Nebraska.

THE British steamship Akaba the other day cleared at the Pensacola, Fla., custom house for London with a cargo of 2,021,000 superficial feet of lumber and timber. This is the largest cargo of its kind that has ever left a gulf port.

IN Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota and Wisconsin a man may vote before he is a citizen, provided he has declared his intention of becoming one.

THE unqualified success of Mr. Nathan Straus' experiments in behalf of New York's poor, particularly his pure and sterilized milk experiments, is already bearing fruit. A similar plan in behalf of the poor children of Philadelphia is now being worked out by Philadelphia philanthropists.

THE rate of mortality of London has steadily decreased with the introduction and perfection of adequate means of disposing of the sewage of the city. At the end of the eighteenth century the annual average mortality was estimated at fifty per 1,000 and in 1892 it had dropped to 19.1 per 1,000.

A NEW brand of smokeless powder discovered by a Virginian and developed by Mr. Leonard, has been proven by experiments made by government officials to be the superior of any yet discovered. A petition has been presented to the house asking for an appropriation to allow further tests.

THE latest development in the milk business in London is to drive the cows around the route and have them milked in the presence of the customers. The customer is thus enabled to judge for himself of the healthy appearance of the animal, and is sure of the freshness of the milk. The practice is a common and ancient one in Egypt.

FISHERMEN at Wrightsville, Pa., on the Susquehanna, are talking of a novel swimming race between several kinds of fish. There is a great dispute as to which is the fastest swimmer, an eel, a black bass or a May sucker. They propose constructing a wooden trough 500 feet long, in shallow water, and then race the fish to decide the bet.

AN international fire congress is to be held at Antwerp on June 9, 10 and 11, and will be continued at Brussels on the three following days. Representative fire brigades from all countries will take part in the displays and contests. A British brigade has been formed of picked men from forty-five brigades. At a similar congress two years ago an American team took first prize.

A MUCH bigger wheel than the great Ferris wheel, which revolved in the Midway and is to be set up in New York, is building at Earl's court, London. It is a 400-foot wheel, and will carry 2,000 people in fifty cars. Three restaurants will be built on platforms at varying heights on the supporting towers, and a big ball room will crown the towers at the axle.

AFTER January 1, 1895, no more days of grace will be allowed in New York state on notes, drafts, checks, acceptances, bills of exchange, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness made, drawn or accepted by any person or corporation, and no grace, according to the custom of merchants, will be allowed after that date unless there is a stipulation to the contrary. There is nothing left for the debtor to do but call at the captain's office and settle or let his obligation go to protest on the day the obligation matures.

IT is not likely that we will soon talk to our English cousins by telephone across the Atlantic ocean. The trouble is, or at least one of the troubles, is that the cable to carry the wires must be quite a foot thick. It would be an enormously costly business, and a difficult one, to lay a cable of that size. To lay it in one piece would be out of the question; it would have to be spliced more than once. And, safely laid, there is no knowing that it would not prove a failure. It is likely that, for a while yet, the telegraph will do for us. A sub-marine telephone is not yet a long-felt want.

DEDICATED.

The Field Columbian Museum Formally Opened at Chicago.

Many Interesting Relics of the Great Fair Disclosed to the Public Gaze — The Simple But Impressive Dedication Exercises.

HAS NO EQUAL.

CHICAGO, June 5.—In the presence of 10,000 enthusiastic Chicagoans the already famous Field Columbian museum, the epitome and memorial of the great World's Columbian exposition, was formerly opened to the public at 2:30 p. m. Saturday. The dedicatory exercises were brief and simple, and at their conclusion the people took possession of the splendid gift presented to them by the generosity of Chicago's philanthropic citizens. The doors just opened will not be closed on any day in the year, and this noble monument to Chicago's enterprise and public spirit will always be accessible to all who wish to enter it.

The inaugural ceremonies consisted of prayer by Rev. Dr. F. W. Gunsaulus, brief address by Director in Chief Skiff, encompassing a history of the organization of the museum, followed by an oration by President Edward G. Mason, of the Chicago Historical society. At the conclusion of the oration President E. E. Ayer of the Museum association arose and

ITS JUBILEE CELEBRATION.

The Y. M. C. A. of All Lands Observes Its Fiftieth Birthday.

LONDON, June 4.—The thirteenth international conference of the Young Men's Christian associations of all lands has begun here. Entertainment has been provided for all the delegates, of whom about 2,000 are expected. There are about 200 delegates from America. Nearly every civilized country in the world will be represented. By special permission of the council of the city of London a large pavilion has been erected on the Thames embankment. It seats 21,000 people, and in it all the delegates will be served each day with lunch and tea. It is handsomely decorated with the flags of all nations. This conference is called the jubilee celebration because it commemorates the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of the first Young Men's Christian association by George Williams June 6, 1844.

The present gathering, besides being the jubilee of the association, is the thirteenth universal conference. These international conventions have been held every three years since 1855. The first universal conference was held in Paris.

To appreciate the brevity of the existence of the Y. M. C. A., while contemplating its remarkable growth, one needs only to reflect that its founder, George Williams, is still in active business life as senior partner of the great dry goods

FLOODS IN THE WEST.

Disastrous Effects Felt in Missouri, Colorado and Oregon.

PUEBLO, Col., June 2.—Pueblo has been visited by the worst flood in its history. Several thousand people were rendered homeless and property was damaged to the amount of \$100,000. Four breaks in the levee on the north side and two on the south side have flooded the region between Eighth street and the river on the west in a zigzag course, thence to Fourth and Main, Second and Santa Fe, and everything south of and including First street. On the south side the flooded area extends from West Fourth street bridge through the Rio Grande yards to Union avenue. Practically everything west of Union avenue from the river to C street and all west of Victoria avenue, Stanton & Snyder's addition, is under water.

The loss of life and damage to property are appalling. For 3 miles up and down the banks of the Arkansas the water was from 3 to 15 feet deep. Trees were uprooted and street cars carried over 100 feet from their tracks. Only a few unfortunate were able to save any of their household effects. Most of the dwellings were only one story, and were either entirely submerged or carried off their foundation by the current. The carcasses of horses, cows, dogs and sheep floated around in the whirling water. The flood brought with it mud and sand, filling cellars of the business houses and first floors of the stores with from 18 inches to 3 feet of slimy mud.

PORTLAND, Ore., June 4.—The Columbia river was still rising on Friday. The fertile bottom lands along the river from the Rocky mountains to the sea (600 miles) are all inundated. The residents fled with their household goods to higher ground. City basements here are flooded as far back as Ninth street.

BOULDER, Col., June 4.—The flood in Boulder creek has caused great destruction to property in this city and surrounding locality. In this city five houses were swept down stream. The occupants were rescued by a relief corps. All the city and railroad bridges have been washed away. The towns of Crisman and Salina, small mining camps in Boulder canyon, about 7 miles from here, have been totally destroyed and over 300 people rendered homeless. A number of the placer mines are ruined. The Sunset branch of the Gulf railroad has been completely washed out. All the crops in the St. Vrain valley have been destroyed by the flood. The total loss in this city and in the adjacent territory is estimated at \$500,000. On account of the storm and floods, telephone and telegraph wires were rendered useless and outside communication has been cut off.

DENVER, Col., June 4.—Platte river continued to rise until 3 a. m., and a raging torrent continued pouring through this city. Colfax and Jerome Park were flooded at 11 o'clock Thursday night and the people living on the low ground had to flee for their lives. The railway embankment was washed away in places and bridges were badly damaged. The loss will not be very great, but the inconvenience will be extreme. In Jerome Park and vicinity 175 families were driven out of their houses and are camped on higher ground.

MANITO, Col., June 4.—Business is practically suspended and hundreds of men are working to save their property. The stream from Williams canyon is rushing over Mineral Water park, leaving gravel in place of grass. Tons of earth have been torn from the pavilion grounds. Dynamite has been used frequently to demolish gorges.

IDARO SPRINGS, Col., June 4.—The damage by the flood in this county is estimated at \$100,000. The storm was the longest and most disastrous in the memory of the oldest inhabitant. On the mountain tops instead of rain, 18 inches of snow fell. Almost all the bridges over Fair creek and its branches are gone. Some houses were washed away and mines flooded.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., June 5.—As a direct result of the high water in the Missouri river, which will not begin to recede for some time, the once prosperous village of Winthrop, 30 miles south of St. Joseph on the Rock Island, Hannibal & St. Joe, Missouri Pacific and Kansas, Joseph & Council Bluffs railways, will soon be wiped off the face of the earth. The Missouri river when it first began its spring rise this year began cutting the bank at the edge of the town and adjacent to it, and now half of the place has melted into the river, together with half a dozen farms of 160 acres each. The channel of the river was a half mile west of Winthrop last year, but to-day that channel is a sand bar, and the new channel occupies what was once the main street of the village. The water is now within a few rods of the tracks of the four railroads, which parallel each other at that point, and is rapidly eating its way into the railroad right of way, and all four companies are preparing to abandon their roadbeds and enter Atchison from point farther north.

The ranching districts of northern Colorado are all damaged by reason of the destruction of irrigating ditches and reservoirs. The rains melted the snows on the mountains and snowslides are reported from many districts, fortunately without loss of life.

EZETA'S CAUSE LOST.

Defeat Forces the President of San Salvador to Resign.

PANAMA, June 5.—The Star and Herald received a dispatch from San Salvador saying that in a battle at Santa Ana, May 24, the government troops under Gen. Antonio Ezeta were defeated, and Gen. Ezeta was killed. Six hundred soldiers also fell in the battle. Gen. Bolanos was wounded. President Ezeta has resigned in favor of Gen. Bonilla. A counter revolution is sure to break out, as Bonilla is not generally acceptable. Possibly Gen. Manuel Rivas may become president.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—A dispatch received by the state department announces that the revolutionists in Salvador have triumphed completely and that President Ezeta has fled the country.

Let Hawaii Alone.

WASHINGTON, June 2.—A resolution was reported from the committee on foreign relations and was agreed to unanimously, declaring that of right, it belongs wholly to the people of the Hawaiian islands to establish and maintain their own form of government and domestic polity; that the United States ought not in any way to interfere therewith, and that any intervention in the political affairs of those islands by any other government would be regarded as an act unfriendly to the United States.

WASHINGTON, June 5.—The disbursement of \$6,500,000 to the Cherokee Indians began here Monday. It will take the treasurers two weeks to complete the payment at this station, after which he will go to other points and distribute the funds until each Indian has received his share.

Negro Democratic League.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—C. H. J. Taylor, president of the Negro National Democratic League, has issued a call for a convention to be held in Indianapolis August 2.

The President's Choice.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—Among the nominations sent to the senate was that of Charles Neilson, of Maryland, for second assistant postmaster general.

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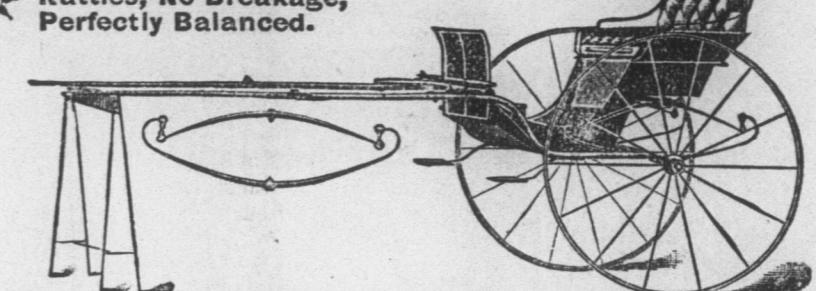
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