

LATEST OLD WORLD NEWS

DELAY IN THE PROGRESS OF THE NILE EXPEDITION.

Crothers Refuse to Pay Rent—Germany Takes What Britain Refuses—Lord Rosbery on the Upper House.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Wolsey reports that the delay in the concentration of the troops at Kort will retard the advance across the desert until the second week in February.

Preparations for the demonstration from Suakin have been postponed. The military authorities fear the relief of Khartoum cannot be accomplished before the middle of March.

The Kabbalah tribe has offered to provide 300 men to protect the English expedition through the desert to Ardabieh, half-way between Khartoum and Shendi, and also to protect the English telegraph lines from Dongola, and to forward by mail, the shekels to remain at Dongola as hostages.

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The Duke of Argyll's Troubles with His Credit Tenants.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The credit tenants of the duke of Argyll on the island of Tiree refuse to pay their rent and are extending their credits.

The duke has asked for an armed force to protect his rights, and a company of marines has been sent to suppress the rebellious tenants.

A meeting of highland land reformers was held in London to-day. The speakers denounced the landlords, and declared that Irish land legislation had been adopted in Scotland.

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LONDON, Dec. 23.—The Times says an annexation of a portion of New Guinea and other islands in that vicinity by Germany will expose the government to popular excoriation in Australia, and to censure in England.

The refusal of the Earl of Derby, colonial secretary, to recognize Australia's annexation of the same territory has opened the door to Germany. The colonists wanted to annex the whole of New Guinea, for in the event of war the island would form a post of operations against Australia.

Ministers in London.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The London correspondent of Noyes Vyemys alleges a complete organization of Russian nihilists exists under the guise of an export firm within the precincts of the city of London and is exporting to Russia criminal documents and explosives.

Grave Desecration in Ireland.

DUBLIN, Dec. 23.—At Ballisluiff last night the vault of Col. Tucker, formerly inspector general of police, was broken open and Mrs. Tucker's coffin taken out and thrown into the gully.

House of Lords Reform.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—Lord Rosbery has written to a number of peers with a view of taking concerted action in favor of a reform of the house of lords.

Anarchism in the French Army.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—It is reported the government has searched the barracks here and found evidence of anarchism spreading among the soldiers.

Rejected.

PARIS, Dec. 23.—The National says France has rejected England's proposals with reference to the financial difficulties of Egypt.

Fast Trip across the Atlantic.

QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 23.—Arrived Oregon, in 6 days, 6 hours, 52 minutes; quickest passage on record.

CABLE NOTES.

The American neutrality scheme has been shelved by the Congo conference on account of the opposition of the French representative.

UNITED STATES NEWS.

The railways in Colorado are blocked with snow.

There are three thousand idle carpet operators at Amsterdam, N. Y.

The passenger rates on lines running south from Chicago will be restored immediately.

Seven cadets at the Annapolis naval academy have been put in irons for insubordination.

Miss Emma Britton, aged 40 and wealthy, has married her coachman at Staten Island.

The petrified bodies of a man and woman were found in a gypsum quarry at Point St., Cal.

The commercial associations of New Orleans protest against the ratification of the Spanish treaty.

Cooley's carriage factory at Pittsfield, Mass., was burned, together with a large number of carriages.

A school building at Salem, Mass., was burned yesterday during school hours. All the children got out safely.

The Commercial cable company opened at New York last night for business to Great Britain, Ireland and France, its rate being 40 cents a word.

A syndicate at Metropolis, Ill., has been systematically defrauding the Blooming ton mutual life insurance company by insuring old and diseased patients.

The Explosives mine feature.

MILLERSVILLE, Pa., Dec. 23.—Wm. Heckler, Michael Miley and Harry Heine were fatally injured at Kewa's stone quarry this morning by the premature explosion of a blast.

Fatally injured while drunk.

MOUNT CARMEL, Pa., Dec. 23.—Last night Henry Snook and Wm. Evans, while driving in a sleigh, went over an embankment. Both were intoxicated and fatally injured.

The Weather in the West.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 23.—The weather here moderated to-day. It is now six below. Reports from the Northwest indicate that a very cold wave struck the Rocky mountains a few days ago.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 23.—It is stated on good authority that Gen. Butler has signed a contract with a New York publishing firm to write his political reminiscences. Butler is to receive \$50,000 and a small royalty.

THE WAY THEATERS GO.

Harrigan & Hart's at New York Starred—A Hit: Hotel in Danger.

New York, Dec. 23.—Harrigan & Hart's theatre on Broadway was entirely destroyed by fire this morning.

The Colorado hotel, which adjoins the theatre on the south, as well as the building on the north caught fire several times, but the flames were put out.

The regular company of the theatre was rehearsing Harrigan's new play, McAllister's Legacy, up to 3 o'clock this morning. Nothing was saved from the wreck. The books and money belonging to the actors' fund association are supposed to have been totally destroyed. The safe in the treasurer's office of the theatre contains besides the books of the establishment \$2000 in money and the manuscript of several of Harrigan's plays. Harrigan and Hart witnessed the destruction of their establishment from the windows of the New York hotel. Harrigan saved all their money and other valuable property, the accumulation of years, was destroyed, and their loss could not be far from \$25,000. They had no insurance, the policy having run out some time ago.

Faith Cure Fanatics.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—Emma Kitmiller died here Saturday. Both she and her family were believers in faith cure and were members of a band known as the "Heavenly recruits." Emma refused all medicine, saying Jesus would heal her.

Her husband, after reading a portion of scriptures, laid his hands upon her and scooped her. In the morning she was dead. At the inquest to-day a physician testified a simple remedy of oil taken at the proper time would have saved her.

A Defaulter Takes Prison on the Eve of His Wedding.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 23.—Radolph Scholtz, the discharged bookkeeper of J. W. McFadden & Co., was called to the store to-day and charged with a default of \$1000. A constable present arrested him. Scholtz obtained permission to go into an adjoining room. He returned in a moment and dropped dead, having taken a dose of cyanide potassium. His wife has been married to-morrow.

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