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NEWS OF THE WORLD.

THE HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK IN BRIEF.

Despatches from points of interest in different parts of the World—Domestic and Foreign events—The Dark and Sunny Side of Life.

DOMESTIC.

Ottawa, Dec. 24—(Special)—A cable just received says that Corporal George, of Strathcona, died of enteric fever at Domfontein.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Fire completely gutted the establishment of Parker's Dye Works, on Spark street, today. The loss is placed at ..10,00. This is partially covered by insurance.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Joseph Hazleton, druggist, was committed for trial in the police court today on the charge of murder. He is alleged to have killed Mrs. Martha Milne by an illegal operation.

Manitoba, Dec. 23—Sir Hibbert Tupper denies that he has been appointed provisional leader of the Conservative party.

Moncton, Dec. 24.—(Special)—T. H. Tingley, formerly traveller for a New Glasgow jewelry house, has accepted a position as traveller for Levy Bros., formerly filled by the late O. W. Coleman, one of the victims of the Montloalic disaster.

Moncton, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Edmund Casey was today committed for trial by Justice Hennessy on the charge of stealing five dollars. Casey, it is said, is also wanted in Amherst on a charge of stealing fifty dollars.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—(Special)—Ald. F. S. Spence, a member of the board of control and widely known as secretary of the Dominion Alliance, announced himself today as a candidate for the mayoralty. There are five candidates in the field.

Ottawa, Dec. 24—(Special)—Reports were received today at the department of militia from South Africa, from Lieut. Col. Drury and Major Hurdman, but they contained nothing that was new.

Grand Falls, Dec. 24.—(Special)—A man from St. John named Barbour was arrested here today by the Sheriff on the complaint of a Captain Dixon of St. John. It is believed Barbour induced Mrs. Dixon to leave her home. She joined him here some time ago it is stated.

Fredericton, Dec. 24—(Special)—Frank Kilburn, an old gentleman about 80 years of age, residing at Kingsclear was run down this morning by a team driven by a young man from the country and was badly hurt.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—(Special)—The citizens' reception committee had excellent arrangements for receiving the returning soldiers from South Africa. A large crowd met the train and Sheriff Sweetland, chairman of the reception committee, extended an informal welcome to Lt. Lawless and his men. The presentation of lockets will not take place until after New Years. The militia turned out in uniform.

Montreal, Dec. 24—(Special)—James Baxter, a prominent broker, who was sentenced some time ago to five years' imprisonment for conspiracy to defraud the Ville Marie Bank, was released this evening on a ticket-of-leave. Mr. Baxter is a very sick man and only the shadow of his former self. He is suffering from dropsy, and it is believed he cannot live very long.

Digby, Dec. 24—(Special)—The alarm of fire at 9 o'clock last night was for a slight blaze in the old school house building, now owned by Captain John W. Snow, of Lower Granville. It was put out without the aid of the fire apparatus.

Mrs. McAlpine, who attempted suicide at Louisberg, C. B., last Friday, was formerly Miss Lizzie Trask, of Little River, Digby county, and is well known in this town and vicinity, where she for a number of years, taught school. A despatch from Louisberg this morning announces that present seems out

FOREIGN.

Caracas, Dec. 24, (via Haytien Cable) ...rchbishop of Caracas has been ... from religious functions owing ... and mental trouble.

Port-au-Prince, Hayti, Dec. 24 (via Haytien ...) ...ere was a strong earthquake ...here today, but no damage was ...

Cape Town, Dec. 24—Lord Kitchener has arrived ...r, Cape Colony, and is taking ... to crush the Boer invasion.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 22.—The 25th anniversary of ...y activity of Henry Sienkiewich...sh novelist, was observed today ...w. The ceremonies included the ...tion of a large estate.

Kingston, Dec. 24—Letters just received here ...ador report increasing trouble ... the American foremen and ...ican laborers who are constr...e railroad in that country, und...cession obtained by James McDo..., of New York.

Paris, Dec. ... senate this afternoon adopte...ndment to the amnesty bill ... of 201 to 11, after an exhortat... premier, M. Waldeck-Rousse... the measure and "deliver the ...rom the nightmare of the Dreyf...

Omaha, Neb., ...—The latern with ribbons atta...by the bandits to "flag" Mr. ... his drive to the country, to... two trouser legs and a shirt ...d as money bags, have been fo...nd half miles west of Omaha.

London, Dec. ...e learn," says the Daily Mail, ...eports of the serious situation ... Colony are fully confirmed. ...g Boers are receiving muc... from the Cape Dutch. Rail...unication between Cape Town ...rth is almost entirely severe...y Boer operations and party by ...

Berlin, Dec. ... chamber of commerce of Be...sented a petition to Count V... asking for the maintenance ...nt tariff policy of the empire, ... particularly the maximal and ...duties, the abandonment of t...ored nation clause and the exte...e advalorem system.

Sydney, N. ... 24—Sir William John Lyne, ... of New South Wales, who ...ly requested by —the Earl of ... governor general of the comm... Australia, to form the firs...inistry, has declined the ta... advised Lord Hopetoun to ... Edmund Barton, who was ...he federal convention durin...s in Adelaide, Sydney and M... 1897 and 1898

Hamilton, ... Dec. 24—The British torpe...stroyer Quail, Lieut. Edward ...mmanding, left for Jamaica ye...hout escort. It is the first time ...empt has been made. The Qu... only a little coal and her ... slight. The The result is a... with extreme anxiety.

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IN ICY WATERS.

Crew of a Schooner Lived Through a Terrible Experience.

New London, Conn., Dec. 24—The crew of the three-masted schooner Marcus Edwards, brought into port at 10 o'clock tonight by the United States lighthouse tender, Cactus, tell of the fearful experience of clinging to the side of their capsized vessel in the icy waters of Long Island Sound from the early morning until 6 o'clock tonight, when they were discovered and their rescue effected.

The Marcus Edwards, of 135 tons burthen, sailed four weeks ago from Port Grenville, N. S., for New York, with a cargo of tile. In weathering a recent storm a leak was sprung, which increased in size until at 1 o'clock this morning the pumps were worked at the rate of 600 strokes a minute in order to keep the vessel afloat. No danger was anticipated, however, until 4.30, when the Edwards began to fill at the same time listing to starboard. All hands rushed to the deck and superhuman efforts were made to cut away the rigging, but of no avail, and in a few minutes the schooner went over, settling on her side in the water. The crew of six men were all thrown clear when the Edwards capsized and with some difficulty succeeded in working their way back to their vessel, to cling there until daylight should bring them assistance. But at daybreak the fog was so dense that all sight of land and even of the sky was shut out and not a sound penetrated the deadened atmosphere.

For 16 hours the men clung there, soaked by the waves and by the no less drenching mist, until at 6.30 tonight they were sighted by the Cactus. Captain V. C. Bagley, of the Marcus Edwards, explains the disaster on the theory that the constant leaking had so weakened the centreboard that it finally gave way causing the schooner to fill immediately.

The Edwards was owned at Jonesport, Maine, and tomorrow an attempt will be made to tow her into port.

Albert County News.

Hopewell Hill, Dec. 26—Golden Rule Division, No. 51 S. of T., last night, elected the following officers for the ensuing quarter:

John M. Tingley, W. P.; George M. Russell, W. A.; G. Warren Peck, R. S.; Ward T. Conner, A. R. S.; Mariner Smith, F. S.; G. M. Peck, treas.; George W. Newcomb, chaplain; Albert Conner, con.; Laura Tingley, A. con.; Maria Reynolds, I. S.; Cecil McDonman, O. S.; Henry A. Peck, P. W. P.

Mrs. S. S. Calhoun of Lower Cape, has gone to Boston to see her sister, Mrs. Captain J. B. Hamilton, who has been very ill.

Mrs. Miner Reid, of Upper New Horton, went last week to Framingham, Mass., to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Donald Goss.

W. H. West and Misses Laura Peck, Mamie Stewart and O. J. Moore, teachers, came to their home here on Monday.

John A. West and wife, of Moncton, spent Christmas with Mr. West's parents at this place.

Rufus Wright, of Moncton, was at his home at Mountville, for Christmas.

R. B. Bennett, barrister of Calgary, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bennett, at Hopewell Cape. Mr. Bennett is one of the Albert boys who has attained prominence in the great West. He was the unsuccessful Conservative candidate for Alberta in the late federal elections.

A special Christmas service was held in St. John's Episcopal church here yesterday. Rev. A. W. Smithers preached an appropriate sermon from the text, St. Luke, ii—10: For behold I bring you good tidings of great joy. Excellent music was furnished by the church choir. In addition to the Magnificat and Nunc Dimitis, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing, O, Come All Ye Faithful, Carol, Sweetly Carol, and Gently Falls the Winter Snow was sung. Mrs. M. B. Dixon sang a solo. The whole service was very impressive. The interior of the church was very beautifully trimmed with evergreen.

Miss Ethel Steeves, of Moncton, was married on Monday evening to George Wallace, of Curreyville. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Albert Milton, of Curreyville.

Lieutenant Governor McClelan has presented the Presbyterian church at Riverside with a new bell.

Miss Celia I. F. Peck, organist of St. John's church, was on Christmas day, presented with a handsome leather-bound hymn book by the rector and choir.

A very successful concert and variety entertainment, under the auspices of the Minto Cornet Band, was held at Albert on Monday evening.

Repairs on the Shepody River bridge have been completed. The work was done under the supervision of W. A. West, of this place.

Leander Elliot and family have moved into the house owned by Alex. Rogers and lately occupied by A. C. M. Lawson.

On Sunday last Miss Edna M. West presented the members of her class in the Baptist Sunday school with pretty and suitable books which were greatly appreciated by the children.

Schr. Jessie arrived in the river this week with freight from St. John.

Hay is now selling very rapidly in this section and prospects are that the price will be away up before spring.

The merchants in this vicinity report an unusually brisk Christmas trade.

Miss Flora Russell went, on Saturday, to spend a few weeks with friends at Moncton.

Tortured and Robbed by a Negro.

Marietta, Ohio, Dec. 27—Abram Johnston and wife, both 80 years old, were bound, tortured and robbed during the night at their home a short distance below Marietta on the West Virginia side. Their assailant was a negro. After securing all valuables, he left his victims still bound. Mrs. Johnston was almost totally paralyzed from the shock and her husband was badly injured.

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CLOSING OF THE HOLY DOOR.

Ceremoniously Sealed by Pope Leo the XIII.

AN IMPOSING FUNCTION.

The Door Was Opened a Year Ago to Inaugurate the Holy Year Which Has Now Terminated--Eighty Thousand People Were Spectators of the Ceremony.

Rome, Dec. 24—The pope performed today the ceremony of closing the holy door of St. Peter's Cathedral with the utmost pomp of the Catholic church. His holiness descended to St. Peter's Cathedral at 11 a. m. and the ceremonies lasted until 1 p. m. The pope then returned to his apartments apparently not fatigued. He intoned the Te Deum in a resonant voice and throughout gave evidence of being in excellent health and spirits. He used the artistic golden trowel, subscribed for by the Catholics of the world, in mortar and the three gilded bricks which he placed, as a first layer, on the threshold of St. Peter's door. The whole pontifical court participated in the ceremonies.

The pope, December 24, 1899, solemnly inaugurated the holy year by performing the impressive ceremony of opening the holy door of St. Peter's Cathedral at 11 o'clock in the morning. The ceremony was performed in the vestibule in the presence of the papal officers, the members of the diplomatic corps, leading representatives of the Roman nobility and a number of invited guests.

After donning the pontifical robes, the pope, borne on the sedia gestatoria and escorted by the papal guards, proceeded with the cardinals and the court to the Sistine Chapel, in the Vatican Palace, where were gathered representatives of the Roman religious orders and clergy. After a brief prayer before the holy sacrament, which was there exposed, his holiness intoned the Veni Creator and then again ascended the sedia gestatoria. Preceded by the clergy and friars, who bore lighted candles, the pope proceeded to the vestibule of the Basilica, priests lining the halls and staircases en route.

The papal throne had been erected in the vestibule. The supreme pontiff ascended the throne, which was immediately surrounded by cardinals and other dignitaries.

Suddenly a heavy bell boomed, the pope arose and, preceded by the grand penitentiary, walked towards the holy door. Cardinal Mgr. Vannutelli, prefect of the Congregation of Bishops and Regulars, met him and handed him an artistic golden mallet, given by the Italian bishops. His holiness, wearing the mitre, uttered the verses of the liturgy and struck blows with the hammer on the door, which had previously been cut with a saw.

A few moments of silence followed, the pope and the papal dignitaries, in their state robes, being grouped before the door. Then the latter swung back and the officials of St. Peter's laved the threshold and door posts with holy water, while the pope opened the psalm Jubilate Deo, which was taken up by the pontifical choir.

The pope, having again covered his head and holding in his right hand a crucifix and in his left a lighted candle, knelt at the threshold, amid the strains of Te Deum. Rising to his feet, he stepped alone within the portals of the vast and empty Basilica. The cardinals and others followed.

At this moment all the church bells in Rome rang out. The pontiff stopped before the altar of Michael Angelo where the janitors of the holy door for the coming year kissed his feet. He addressed a few words to them on the importance of the ceremony, and then proceeded to the altar, where the sacrament was offered, followed by a short prayer. Then, advancing to the high altar, he pronounced a solemn benediction, according to plenary indulgences.

By 1.15 p. m. the pope had returned to his private apartments, having performed the ceremonies with great apparent satisfaction. He was smiling throughout, but grew pale and showed signs of fatigue toward the end. Nevertheless, he gave the three blows upon the door with considerable force. Profound silence was maintained throughout the ceremony save when the pope gave his blessing which evoked loud "vivas." The weather was fine and an enormous concourse assembled in the precincts of the Basilica. Order was preserved inside by the pontifical guards and outside by the Royal Carbineers, and the police participated in the ceremonies. The spectacle inside the vast Basilica was superb. The pillars of the central nave were draped with gold embroidered scarlet cloth, and the porch under which the functions took place was transformed into a magnificently decorated hall. On the left of the holy door was erected the pontifical throne, covered with red and gold. On the right hand of the door stood tribunes for royal personages, princes, knights of Malta, prelates, representatives of the Roman nobility and other distinguished persons.

Inside the church every inch of space was occupied by the throng, which gathered early in the morning. A strong detachment of troops, stationed in the square in front of the cathedral, controlled the incoming crowds, who literally raced to secure the best positions.

The pope left his apartments at 11.45 a. m. borne in the sacred chair and preceded by clergy with lighted candles, bishops, archbishops and cardinals and escorted by the pontifical noble guards. On his arrival at the portal of St. Peter's he alighted and entered the church through the holy door. As he appeared on the threshold, the solemn and silvery tones of a trumpet echoed through the edifice. The chapter of the vatican met him and presented to him holy water which he sprinkled upon the congregation. Applause being forbidden, a religious silence was observed which heightened the grandeur and impressiveness of the moment.

Borne now on the sedia gestatoria to the high altar, he stepped to the ground and knelt before the most precious relics of the Catholic church, which were displayed on the altar.

Then the procession reformed and proceeded to the chapel of the sacrament, where the pontiff again knelt for some time, while the choir of the Sistine chapel chanted psalms.

The pope was then borne to the holy door, where he alighted from the sedia gestatoria and waited until the entire procession had passed out through the door, he leaving the church last and walking to the throne, where he seated himself. A number of sacred songs were sung by the papal choir, after which Leo rose and blessed all the material employed in closing the door. Then he descended from the throne, knelt before the door and laid with the golden trowel a layer of cement, on which he placed three gilt bricks bearing commemorative inscriptions. Beside the bricks he placed a casket containing gold, silver and bronze medals and bearing the head of Leo and inscriptions recording the opening and closing of the holy door.

The pope having re-ascended the throne, Cardinal Zecafino Varmutelli, great penitentiary, and four other cardinals, performed a similar ceremony of laying cement and three bricks, after which the masons employed by the vatican closed the doorway with a canvas screen, painted to represent marble with a cross in the centre.

The candles borne by the clergy were extinguished, the Te Deum was sung and the pontiff, having given solemn benediction, was immediately carried back to his apartments.

It is estimated that eighty thousand persons were spectators of the ceremony.

A SORY OF HORSES IN WAR.

They Last Six Weeks and Cost Three Hundred and Sixty Dollars Each.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 23—Captain Heygate, of the British army, is purchasing 50,000 cavalry horses and mules for the British army in South Africa. He came here more than a year ago to buy horses and mules, but was ordered home a short time ago. But the unexpected renewal of hostilities has made the purchase of more horses and mules necessary. As fast as the animals are inspected and bought they will be sent to New Orleans and shipped to Cape Town, Durban and New London on British transports, some of which are on their way to the United States. One ship load of the animals will be taken to South Africa by Lieut. David Moberly, leaving New Orleans soon after January. Lieut. Moberly said: "By the time the horses and mules are landed in South Africa they cost the British government $360 a head. This is a large price for an animal which will be fit for service only six weeks. Most of the animals die because of the change in climate. They must cross the equator in going to South Africa and the torrid heat of the tropics kill them rapidly. The average death rate on shipboard is 32 to the 1,000. Forty days after a horse is purchased in Kansas City it is landed in South Africa. So great is the demand for the horses at the front that it is impossible to give them the needed rest after landing, before putting them into service. Consequently they go to the front in a weakened condition and not getting a sufficient amount of food they soon die. Since the beginning of the Boer war England has purchased over 100,000 head of horses and mules in the United States. It required 65 ships to carry them from New Orleans to South Africa. Government transports will be kept very busy from now on carrying the horses which England will need in South Africa and which have been ordered purchased in the United States. Baden-Powell now has 25,000 mounted police and it is proposed to mount 30,000 of the Imperial Infantry. England has discovered that her soldiers must be mounted to be able to cope with the Boer, who gets over the country with alarming rapidity."

Indications That the American Claim Is Adjusted.

Washington, Dec. 19—The nomination of John G. A. Leishman to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of the United States to Turkey is construed to mean that the United States claim will be paid and relations renewed as before. The officials here will not admit that they have any official knowledge that a settlement has been reached by Mr. Griscom, United States charge at Constantinople, of the American mission claims, and in some cases a flat denial is given. Yet it is recalled that when Minister Straus came back to the United States and resigned in disgust at his inability to close up these claims, the impression was semi-officially given out that no minister would be named to succeed him until the Turkish government had met the demands.

After waiting a long time the Turkish government itself was obliged to take notice of the diplomatic manifestations of the displeasure of the United States, evidenced by the absence of Mr. Straus from Constantinople. Therefore it caused the announcement to be made that it had terminated the ministerial office of Ali Ferrouh Bey, the minister resident here. But to prevent the issue from becoming too acute it at the same time named Shekib Bey as minister to Washington. But Shekib has not thus far left Constantinople and Ali Ferrouh Bey remains in Washington, although, as he frankly states, he is nothing more than a chargé d'affaires for the moment. It is expected that Shekib Bey now will come to Washington or that the former minister will be recommissioned, which in either case might be taken as a sign that a settlement has been reached of the mission claims under cover of the purchase of a warship or in some other unofficial manner.

Prospector Killed and Eaten.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 27—The steamer Miowera brings advices from Queensland that a prospector named Kirlane has been killed and according to the belief of the ship's people, eaten by the natives.

A report of the discovery of gold in Samoa, near Apia, and that Mataafa is becoming restless and on Dec. 6th, called a meeting of native chiefs.

A Fiendish Father.

Toronto, Dec. 27—(Special)—Ernest Pettet, was arrested today, charged with having, while in a fit of temper, placed his two-year-old son, naked, upon a hot stove, holding the child there till the skin came off and adhered to the hot iron. The inhuman crime was committed about a month ago, but the story only reached the department today through indignant citizens. The child was found to be still suffering from the terrible experience.

A STATEMENT BY MR. CUDHAY

A Personal Account of the Kidnapping of His Son.

FIRST STORY WAS RIGHT.

The Great Pork Packer Contradicts Stories Which Have Been Circulated Throwing Doubt Upon His Son's Misadventure--Banker Tells of the Withdrawal of $25,000.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 24—Owing to conflicting reports sent to papers outside of Omaha, E. A. Cudahy this afternoon signed a statement, giving the details of the kidnapping of his son on the night of December 18. It is as follows:

"It has been called to my attention that despatches are being printed which throw doubt upon the kidnapping of my son. I regret exceedingly that there should be any conflicting reports or any misrepresentations with respect to the crime that would create any doubt or uncertainty. The facts briefly are these: On Tuesday night, December 18, between 7 and 8 o'clock, our son was sent to a neighbor and was expected to immediately return. Failing to return, the police were notified. About 1 o'clock on Wednesday morning, the coachman found a letter on the lawn fastened to a stick and addressed to 'Mr. Cudahy.' This was a five-page letter, with lead pencil writing and unsigned, stating that they had kidnapped my son and demanded $25,000 in gold coin for his return and with specific instructions as to where the money should be placed. I procured $25,000 in gold coin and delivered the same at the point designated in the letter. I recognized that the leaving of the money was but a chance at best, but a chance that under all the circumstances I was compelled to accept. About five hours after depositing the money my son was returned. While a captive he was informed that he was held for ransom in the sum of $25,000.

"These are the plain facts, any statements, rumors or assertions other than stated above being made without any foundation in fact.

(Signed). "E. A. CUDAHY."

George B. Barker, president of the National Bank of Commerce, confirms the statement of the $25,000 being withdrawn from that bank, and Melvin L. Sears, Mr. Cudahy's attorney, confirms other details of the statement.

Publications.

The new monthly, the Ladies' Magazine—the Canadian woman's newspaper—is in its second issue with the Christmas number, and already its promised growth in strength and brightness is very apparent. The December number appears in a handsomely tinted cover, and its contents are of real interest to family readers, admirably printed and profusely illustrated. There is a beautiful full-page frontispiece; three bright stories; an illustrated article on the work of the Victorian Nurses; a sketch, Christmas With the College Girls; two pages of fashion notes; the month's weddings, with portraits—one of the popular features of the magazine; The Table on Christmas Day, with illustrated recipes; The Knack of Happy Gift-Making, and other holiday suggestions; Answers to Correspondents; and a page of news from Canadian women's societies. The whole number is bright—one of the best, and in price the cheapest, Christmas publications of the year—and a credit to Canadian journalism. Ten cents a copy.—The Hugh C. MacLean Company, Toronto.

From the standpoint of illustrations, the Canadian Magazine surpasses itself in its Christmas number. This is an age of pictures, and the quality of those presented in this issue are sufficient to engender enthusiasm in the most sluggish of patriots. The reproductions of characteristic bits of Canada's Scenic Splendors are done in colors most effectively. The list of contents is just as commendable. There are special poems by Ethelwyn Wetherald, Eve Brodlique, William Wilfred Campbell, Franklin Gadsby and Elizabeth Roberts Macdonald, all well-known singers. There are short stories by Virna Sheard, Arthur Stringer and Jane Fayrer Taylor, all bright and characteristic. J. Macdonald Oxley writes a most interesting article on the Bank of Montreal, giving considerable attention to the circumstances of its foundation and its early history. Alfred Edmonds writes of The Young Idea in Japan, while John A. Ewan takes us to the other end of the world to see Mrs. Kruger at Home. The colored cover represents Johnny Canuck's Christmas. As a souvenir to send abroad nothing could surpass the special issue of Canada's national publication.

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I can recommend Kendall's Spavin Cure not only as an excellent, but as a sure remedy, to any one that it may concern. Yours truly, SAMUEL THITTEN.

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A RAILWAY HOLD-UP.

American Freight Seized by a French Railway.

Paris, Dec. 24—Thirty cars, forming part of the United States exhibit at the recent Paris exposition, were suddenly laid under embargo today at Havre, the railway company declining to surrender them, pending payment of a claim of 5,710 francs. This extraordinary action, seriously delayed the departure of the United States auxiliary cruiser Prairie from Havre with the government exhibits, has made the subject of a formal protest to the French government by United States Ambassador Porter.

The company bases its claim on demurrage charges on freight in the cars when the goods were brought to the exposition for installation. Sometime ago the claim was submitted and Major Brackett, secretary of the American commission, investigated it and concluded that it had no foundation, as some of the cars charged against the American government never contained official exhibits, while the others were cars utilized by private exhibitors and not therefore chargeable to the United States.

Major Brackett thereupon endeavored to secure a settlement, but without avail. The matter dragged along through the summer, the secretary of the American commission repeatedly expressing his willingness to settle any just claim against the United States. The company left the case in an unsatisfactory condition and finally embargoed the cars.

When Major Brackett was informed by the United States agent at Havre he wired him instructions to pay to the company 500 francs in the presence of the legal authorities and at the same time to enter a claim against the company for 10,000 francs as damage for obstruction and delay. Tomorrow being a holiday there will be no loading of the Prairie. The cars will be released by the payment of the 500 francs. Should Wednesday not bring a satisfactory solution, Major Brackett will probably pay the rest of the claim under protest in order not to delay further the sailing of the Prairie. At the same time he will enter an additional claim for damages.

GERMAN CLAIMS.

The United States Will Not Be Responsible for Damages in Cuba.

Washington, Dec. 24.—The German embassy has laid before the state department the claims of a number of German subjects for damages to their interests in Cuba as a result of the Spanish-American war, and the insurrection which led up to the war itself. This action of the German government has raised a most important issue, and the department of state has given it the closest consideration. It has been concluded, however, that the United States government cannot accept responsibility for the claims. They are regarded as practically the same in principle as the claim of Porto Rico, against Cuba, for $2,500,000 on account of a war loan. Although in that case Governor Allen, of Porto Rico, represented the United States government in preferring the claim that government was obliged to deny its liability or the liability of Cuba under present conditions. The answer to the German presentation will be based upon the reply to Governor Allen, recently made. It is known that other governments beside Germany have claims aggregating a very large sum, all based on the Cuban insurrection, and succeeding events. They will not be abandoned on account of the attitude of the United States government, but on the contrary probably will be held in abeyance until such time as Cuba shall have become independent, when they will be presented directly to the government of the island.

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And as it was a weight machine
She surely had her weigh.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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