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NO. 1.

GOMEZ'S MODEST REQUEST

The Cuban Commander Wants Uncle Sam to Provide For All Officers Who Fought For Independence.

He Refuses to Disband the Native Army Until the United States Government Pays \$50,000,000.

New York, Jan. 31.—A Washington special to the Tribune says: Maximo Gomez, the Cuban commander, has demanded nearly \$50,000,000 from the United States, and refuses to disband his "army" until the money is paid. He has repudiated the arrangement made by Garcia, who came to Washington with authority from Gomez to provide for the return of the Cubans to their peaceful pursuits, and whose work was barely accomplished before his sudden death on December 11.

It was then agreed that the United States in order to secure the prompt resumption of labor on the plantations of the island, with view to promoting the speedy revival of prosperity and settled conditions, should distribute about \$5,000,000 among the thirty thousand natives of every grade to stay with the army of \$100 a man, the officers in proportion to their rank to receive a greater amount, the ordinary enlisted man to be discharged with sums less than \$100, depending on the length of service and other considerations. For over a month the terms of the army have been proposed to carry out this arrangement, the national defence fund being available for that purpose.

Some have come out against the scheme, which is operating satisfactorily to most Cubans and has struck terror into the hearts of the Spaniards. It is being endeavored to dissuade the Cubans from accepting office under the American occupation and its urging all the natives of every grade to stay with him in the field until the United States is compelled to accede to his terms of disbandment. Gomez alleges that his army consists of 40,000 men, and he insists that most of them shall be paid for three years' service at the rates which prevail in the United States army. He fixes the date of the Cuban declaration of independence, February 25, 1895, as the beginning of the period for which he himself and his forces are to be remunerated and for himself, with the rank of lieutenant-general, he will be satisfied with \$11,000 annually, the meritorious grades, Gomez also has about twenty major-generals, for each of whom he demands \$5,000 annually. His "army" is equipped with nearly two hundred brigadier-generals, each rated according to the United States army pay scale, \$5,500 annually. This aggregates the nice little sum of \$3,783,000 for general officers. Then there are colonels, lieutenant-colonels, majors, whose numbers run into the thousands.

HER MAJESTY INVOKED.

Protestants Protest Against Ritualism in the English Church.

London, Feb. 1.—The Royal Albert Hall was the scene this evening of a great demonstration on the part of thousands of Protestants, including the representatives of fifty Protestant organizations connected with the English Church in England, Scotland and Ireland. Baron Kinnaird presided, and the proceedings were marked by the utmost order and decorum. The demonstration was held in the Established Church of England, and the Rev. Canon Kinnaird presided, and the proceedings were marked by the utmost order and decorum. The demonstration was held in the Established Church of England, and the Rev. Canon Kinnaird presided, and the proceedings were marked by the utmost order and decorum.

A MAN WITH TWO FAMILIES.

Des Moines, Jan. 31.—A decision rendered by the Supreme Court brings to light another story of one man with two families. Richard D. Combs died in 1880 and left two families, one at Burlington and one in Wichita, Kan. The estate was divided between the two families, but Combs had maintained both for 20 years, and lived most of the time just prior to his death with the Kansas wife and three children whom he recognized. Combs, who was a traveling man, had a policy insurance of \$4,000 in the Iowa Legion. The money was paid to the Burlington family, and a suit was brought by the guardian of the Kansas children to recover money from the Burlington family. The Iowa Legion of Honor, the mother of the Kansas children having died. The court ruled that the Burlington family must divide with the Kansas children, since their father recognized them as his.

ONLY THREE HUNDRED LEFT.

London, Jan. 31.—Reports by mail from Coruna, Spain, give sad accounts of the landing there last week of the Seaman regiment from Cuba. The regiment was recruited in Coruna and included many young men of good families. In June, 1895, it sailed for Cuba 1,400 strong. Only 300 men returned alive. As the survivors marched down the gangway of the steamer they were met by an immense crowd of people from Coruna and the neighboring villages. There were shouts and cheers of welcome from the friends of the men, but their cheeks were drawn and their eyes full of tears. They were met by the friends of the relatives and friends of the 1,400.

NEW SPANISH TAXES.

London, Feb. 1.—The Madrid correspondent of the Daily Globe says: The cabinet has agreed to undertake the revision of the constitutional guarantee and also to add an exportation tax on the ministry of state, upon the interests of all classes of property will be represented. The ministry of Finance explained to his constituents at today's session of the Cortes his new financial scheme. It was that it will create new taxes calculated to produce £26,000,000 yearly. The cabinet proposes to raise an internal tax and to consolidate a portion of the duties.

CANNOT CATCH THE KHALIFA.

London, Jan. 30.—A dispatch to the Daily News from Cairo says that Colonel Ritchie has been ordered to pursue the Khalifa Abdullah into Kordofan, where he has been making war upon the tribesmen. He has abandoned the attempt to overtake him.

THE CHIMANUS FIRE

A Row of Buildings Destroyed and a Chinaman Burnt to Death.

Chemanus, B. C., Feb. 1.—(Special.)—A fire broke out in the Chinese quarter here yesterday, in which one Chinaman lost his life and another was seriously burnt. When the Chinamen who were working on the night shift returned home they hung their damp clothes around the stove, and after they had retired it is thought that they had set fire to them. The whole row of the Chinese buildings, including a laundry, was burnt, with the fatal result above stated. Provincial Police Constable Maitland Dougal reached Chemanus shortly after the fire. He did not consider it necessary to hold an inquest.

KING FROST'S GRIP.

Seven Persons Frozen to Death in the States.

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 31.—A severe blizzard is blowing in West Tennessee, Arkansas and Mississippi, with the mercury near the zero mark. Fine snow has now begun falling, and exposed stock is suffering severely. At one o'clock to-night the thermometer registered one degree below zero.

WIDOW'S DEATH.

Soda, Feb. 1.—The widow of a Bulgarian prince died yesterday. She was the daughter of a prince of Bulgaria. She was a widow of a prince of Bulgaria. She was a widow of a prince of Bulgaria.

THE ANNUAL BUTCHERY.

Denver, Col., Jan. 30.—Snow began to fall last night and the storm which has been blowing for a week in full blast. The town of Leadville, about forty miles from Denver, is completely isolated. The snow has cut off the railroads and much suffering may result. Reports from Colorado tell of great losses of stock. The winter has been very hard on the cattle and sheep. The snow has cut off the railroads and much suffering may result.

RUN DOWN BY AN ENGINE.

Atlanta, Pa., Jan. 29.—A gang of twenty-six track repairs were working on the railroad at the western opening of the Allegheny tunnel. The men were working on the railroad at the western opening of the Allegheny tunnel. The men were working on the railroad at the western opening of the Allegheny tunnel.

THE POPE'S HEALTH.

Rome, Jan. 29.—Dr. Lipponi, physician to the Pope, says: "The Pope's health is not good. He is suffering from a severe cold and is unable to do his usual work. He is suffering from a severe cold and is unable to do his usual work. He is suffering from a severe cold and is unable to do his usual work."

BURIED IN A SNOWBLADE.

Denver, Jan. 30.—A special to the News from Apex, Colo., says: A snowslide occurred here at 9 a.m. to-day, in which three lives were lost. Mrs. W. H. Rudolph and her two children, aged two and four years. The Rudolphs' home was situated on the side of a steep hill and directly in the path of the slide. W. H. Rudolph, who, with his family, were in their home when the slide started, succeeded in escaping the danger, but his wife and the children were swept away in the avalanche of snow, sealing their graves. It was not until the snow had melted that the bodies were recovered.

REINFORCEMENTS FOR PHILIPPINES.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The war department has issued orders to expedite the movement of reinforcements for the Philippines. The transport Sherman will start from New York next Thursday with the 1st regiment of Infantry. The following officers and men are to be sent: Major Sherman and remaining companies of the 7th Infantry. The "Castille," bound for Manila by the eastern route, has sailed from Punta del Este. The Helena, another transport bound for Manila, arrived today at Colombo, Ceylon.

INJURED BY FALLING GLASS.

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 30.—The six-story building at 918 and 920 Pennsylvania avenue, occupied by the Zinc and Lead Company and the L. A. Grose Art Glass Company, was damaged by fire to-day to the extent of \$100,000. Several men were injured by falling glass, but all will recover. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

CATARRH AND HAY FEVER.

If it's Hay Fever that is the bug-bear of your life, you won't know the pleasure of freedom from it till you've tried Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure.

AN APPALLING DISASTER

Canadian Pacific Railway Station and Round House at Rogers Pass Buried Under the Snow.

Seven Persons Lose Their Lives and Two Others Are Seriously Injured—Latest Particulars.

Vancouver, Feb. 1.—The accident at Rogers Pass yesterday was the worst which has occurred since 1887. The big snowslide carried away the C. P. R. station and roundhouse, and so far as known seven lives were lost. Throughout yesterday slides of more or less serious nature have been causing anxiety to the railway officials east of Glacier. A number of snowslides suffered, and both the Pacific and Atlantic express were held, one at Donald and the other at Glacier, until the track could be cleared.

The avalanche, opening the devastating mass of snow and rock came down the mountain side at Rogers Pass. In a moment the main buildings were under the avalanche. The agent, Mr. Cator, at his post of duty, was suddenly buried in a living tomb, while Operator Carson, probably asleep, was also killed. Cator's wife and two children met death with him, though under what circumstances is not known. An engine wiper, Ridley, was also a victim, and a man, about whom no particulars could be ascertained, is still under many feet of snow.

THE FRENCH ROYALISTS.

London, Jan. 30.—The Times's Paris correspondent says: The Duke of Orleans received a deputation of French royalists at Brussels yesterday. Comte Potemkin, who is the recognized head of the royalist movement, is now in the hands of the fatherland and the army. He is now in the hands of the fatherland and the army. He is now in the hands of the fatherland and the army.

CANADIAN BREVITIES.

Ottawa, Jan. 31.—Major Hutton left Kingston today to attend the opening of the three months staff course at the Royal Military College. West Huron nominations take place on February 11, and the election will be held on February 18.

THE RESULT OF BRITISH RULE.

Middleton, N.Y., Jan. 31.—Rector Evans, of Grace church, on Sunday replied to the attack made by Bourke, solicitor of Britain as the robber nation of the world. He replied to the attack made by Bourke, solicitor of Britain as the robber nation of the world. He replied to the attack made by Bourke, solicitor of Britain as the robber nation of the world.

GERMAN SUGAR IN DANGER.

Berlin, Jan. 31.—In the lower house of the Prussian diet yesterday, Baron Erffa, referring to the opinion of the secretary of the imperial treasury that there was no danger to the German sugar industry from America in the near future, said the manufacturers of Saxony took a different view from those who underrated the colossal financial resources and enterprises of the American sugar trust in California. Baron von Hammerstein Loetzen, the minister of agriculture, in reply, said he fully agreed with the statement that most serious danger existed from America. The danger arising from the production of beet sugar in America, he further said, was continually increasing.

CATARRH CAN BE CURED.

Catarrh is a kindred ailment of consumption, long considered incurable. But yet there is one remedy that will positively cure catarrh in any of its stages. For many years this remedy has been used by the late Dr. Stevens, a widely noted authority on all diseases of the throat and lungs. Having tested his wonderful curative powers in hundreds of cases, he desired to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all sufferers from Catarrh, Asthma, Consumption and nervous disease, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparation and use. Sent by mail by enclosing with stamps, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 820 Powers Block, Rochester N. Y.

ANGLO-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

London, Jan. 30.—Addressing his constituents at Manchester this evening, the Right Hon. A. J. Balfour referred to the late relations with the United States. He said: "Some foreign critics, cynical by profession and training, hold the view that the friendly now happily existing relations between the English-speaking peoples on both sides of the Atlantic, as out of the growth of the moment, and depends upon a transitory community of interests. They are not to be shaken by any change of circumstances, while the latter might be the foundation of what is infinitely more important. It is that species of friendship which is based upon the mutual respect and admiration of the two nations. It is that species of friendship which is based upon the mutual respect and admiration of the two nations. It is that species of friendship which is based upon the mutual respect and admiration of the two nations."

GREAT BRITISH VICTORY

Russia Gets a Serious Set-Back in Railway Affairs in the Chinese Empire.

CHINA PLEDGES HER HONOR THAT BRITAIN WILL NOT BE MOLESTED IN THOSE GIANTIC UNDERTAKINGS.

London, Feb. 1.—The Times in its financial article to-day announces that a Chinese five per cent railway loan of \$11,000,000 has been arranged, unconditionally guaranteed by China, and specially secured on the Chinese national railway. China has given a good attendance a pledge that these railways will not be alienated to any foreign power.

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