

of becoming proselytes to the Mormon faith. The girls were separated from the other passengers as they landed and placed in a room by themselves. Three female missionaries from the emigrant girls home went among them and tried to convince them of the folly of the course they proposed to follow. One of the girls, Karen Sylvestein by name, who acted as spokeswoman for the party, frankly acknowledged that they were all willing to be one of seven or eight wives and were fully aware of the principles of Mormonism. The girls are all young and some of them remarkably pretty. The attempt of the missionaries to influence them proved an utter failure, and as all the barge officers can do is to use persuasion, the party will proceed on their journey to-morrow. The party comprises 202 souls, of whom 32 are children. Among the lot is a married Englishwoman who left her husband in England to take up the Mormon faith. She said she was called and compelled to go, but refused to give her name.

The United States steamer *Corwin* arrived at Port Townshend from Yakut Bay, Alaska, with the National Geographical expedition for the exploration of Mount St. Elias on board. The party consisted of Professor J. C. Russell and M. B. Kerr, of the Geological Society, and seven packers. Prof. Russell extended his geological studies from the terminal moraine to the heads of all the principal glaciers flanking Mount St. Elias and the adjacent range. A large glacier in Disenchantment Bay hitherto unexplored was named Hubbard glacier. A magnificent peak at the head of the glacier was named Mount Rosemann. At elevations of 45,000 feet Mr. Russell discovered fossil plants and mussels. Accurate measurements were taken of the glacier and its rate of motion was determined. A splendid series of photographs were secured which will be embodied in a report to the society later on. Professor Kerr's observations developed two facts of great interest to the geographical world; first, the absolute certainty that Mount St. Elias is in United States territory; second, that its height and that of all other peaks in the vicinity has been greatly over estimated. Instead of being 19,500 feet, according to past observations, Professor Kerr's estimate lowers Mount St. Elias to less than 15,000 feet and other peaks proportionately.

Honolulu advices state that the volcano of Kiluea shows renewed activity.

Mrs. Booth, wife of General Booth, Chief of the Salvation Army, died on Saturday.

The first picking of the Egyptian cotton crop is finished. The quality is very good.

Cholera has reappeared in Toledo. Four cases, one of them fatal, have been reported at Jezz.

The clergy of Treves have denounced lawn tennis as an unbecoming game for German girls.

Cholera is believed to have broken out in Barcelona, where five suspected cases have been reported, two of which have proved fatal.

Castioni, the Swiss Radical who shot Councillor Rossi at the time of the revolution in the Canton of Ticino, was arrested in London on Saturday.

A despatch to the London *Times* from Buenos Ayres says the reports of impending revolution are without foundation. The city and country are tranquil.

The police of the Whitechapel district have received a warning from "Jack the Ripper," that he is about to kill another woman. The handwriting of the letter is identical with that of other letters.

The *Independence Belge* says the adoption of the McKinley Tariff Bill ensures the failure of the World's Fair at Chicago, as it will be a needless and hopeless expense for Europeans to send exhibits there.

Intelligence has been received from Noumea, New Caledonia, that sixty leper convicts confined in the penal establishment there made their escape last June. The authorities have been unable to discover their whereabouts.

The Dockmen's Congress in London has adopted a resolution declaring it impracticable to limit the working day to eight hours. The delegates, however, were strongly in favor of a proposition that 48 hours of labor should complete a week's work.

When the Austrian and German Emperors were leaving Muazsteg for Newburg on Sunday, the horses attached to the carriage shied and dashed the vehicle against a fence, breaking the pole. The Emperors alighted unhurt and walked until they were overtaken by the King of Saxony's carriage.

A short time ago it was said that the coffee plant was hastening on to extinction, and now it is reported that tea is henceforth to be blended with hops, just as coffee is adulterated with chicory. If this report turns out true, the cups will not cheer, and may possibly inebriate. But probably the outlook for the breakfast table is not so bad as these alarming rumors would indicate.

There was an exciting scene at the annual fete at Manich on Sunday. There were 100,000 persons at the grounds, and Prince Luitpold was among the distinguished spectators. During the inspection of prize bulls one of the animals broke loose and dashed into the crowd, trampling upon people right and left. Many were injured but none seriously. Prince Luitpold had a narrow escape.

A rumor is current at Madrid that the Spanish Government intends to enter into negotiations with the United States for reciprocal concessions touching Cuban and American products. It is also reported that the Government has instructed its agents abroad to notify the home authorities of any measures that may be taken by foreign governments with respect to the United States tariff law.

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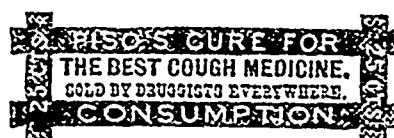
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