

News Summary

The largest hospital in Europe is at Moscow, and has 7,000 beds. Its staff consists of 96 physicians and 900 nurses and about 15,000 patients are cared for every year.

A private cablegram received from the front conveys information that Rev. Father O'Leary, the Catholic chaplain with the first Canadian contingent, is down with enteric fever and his condition is serious.

Lieut. Colonel White, D. O. C., of Quebec, has been ordered to Halifax to take over the command of the provisional battalion stationed there from Lieut. Colonel Vidal, who will return to headquarters as assistant adjutant general.

The national populist convention has nominated W. J. Bryan for President, and Chas. T. Towne for Vice-President. The candidates of the middle of the road populist party are Wharton Barker for President, and Ignatius Donnelly for Vice-President.

Settlers on Dominion lands within the railway belt in British Columbia, were charged \$1 per acre for homesteads. An order-in-council has just been passed doing away with this, and bona fide settlers can now have lands free and the same conditions exist in Manitoba and the Northwest.

The thirteen-year old son of Peter McIntyre, who was shot and killed at Toronto on Thursday during a quarrel, was acquitted by the coroner's jury of all intent to do harm. The jury decided the boy only intended to frighten his father and that the revolver was accidentally discharged.

The Filipinos have suffered a heavy loss at Tabako, near Legaspi, province of Albay, Luzon. Two hundred riflemen and eight hundred bolomen were preparing to attack the town and Capt. Lester H. Simons, with a company of the 47th volunteer regiment, advanced to meet them and killed many.

Under the title "The Ancient Hebrew People," Dr. Lyman Abbott begins, in the May Magazine Number of The Outlook, a series of articles about the life and literature of the Hebrews in Old Testament times. Subject and treatment will make this one of the most important books, when finished, from Dr. Abbott's pen.

The famous relief steamer, Quito, sailed from New York on Thursday for Bombay, India, with 200,000 bushels of corn for the famine districts. This, the largest cargo ever carried by any vessel on a similar errand, comes from people of all denominations in every part of the United States. It is expected that the voyage will be made in forty days.

The June Magazine Number of The Outlook will be its Eleventh Annual Recreation Number, and will be largely devoted to articles and pictures relating to out-door life. Among the authors who will contribute are Henry van Dyke, Joseph H. Twichell, General Roy Stone, William Gillette, Jane Barlow, Ernest Ingersoll, Dr. S. D. McConnell and Frank H. Spearman, author of "Foley's Nerve" and other railway stories.

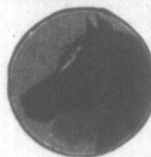
In a speech at Birmingham on Friday night Hon. Joseph Chamberlain said in referring to the South African war: "It is an insult to my colleagues to say that I am responsible for the war, or to say that it is a war of capitalists. I would not be ashamed to take the whole responsibility for the war, but if there was any special responsibility, it rests with those who misled Mr. Kruger and who encouraged him to resist demands whose moderation had been acknowledged. If England has erred, she has erred in being too lenient." Turning to the conditions of the question of South African settlement and the fate of the republics, Mr. Chamberlain said: "While the government do not wish to be vindictive, they are determined that never again shall the republics be a nursery of conspiracy; and they will see that justice is done to those who are determined to be loyal. The government are not prepared to recognize the independence of the Boer republics, and we are determined that the republics shall be finally incorporated under the British flag. For an interval they must be a crown colony, such as India is, but we hope they will eventually become a great self-governing colony, like Canada and Australia."



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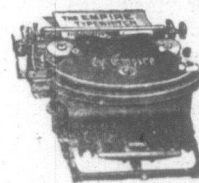
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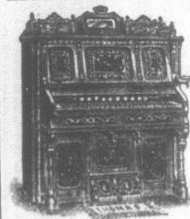
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