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## Shipping Disaster

### Wreck of an Excursion Steamer Bound for the Channel Islands.

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The boilers exploded with a tremendous report as she went down.

It is believed sixty persons were drowned.

The coasting steamer *Lyrix*, which brought news of the disaster here, picked up four boats containing forty persons belonging to the *Stella*. The second officer of the steamer who was among those rescued, says a collapsible boat was launched full of people, but he thinks she struck on the rocks, owing to the fog.

Another steamer picked up a boat containing fifty-five people, including 20 women, who escaped from the wrecked steamer. They have been landed here.

The *Stella* had on board 210 passengers, going to spend Easter in the Channel Islands.

## ANOTHER DAWSON FIRE.

### A \$20,000 Blaze Occurs in the Klondike Capital on March 9th.

Steamer City of Seattle reached Sound early this morning, bringing news of still another conflagration at the Klondike capital. On March 9th, five days after the fire which destroyed the California and Wright and Penfuer's restaurants and several other stores and buildings, fire broke out in a barber shop in the Rosenthal building, which was totally destroyed, together with the Aleck building. The damage is estimated at \$20,000.

The buildings destroyed are log cabins and are situated in the heart of the Klondike metropolis—on Front or Water street, directly in front of the Tivoli theatre. The barber shop destroyed in the fire was one of the best in Dawson, with well appointed baths and all apparatus appertaining to a first-class establishment. The Aleck building was owned by A. L. Aleck of San Francisco, who had his store in it. He carried a big stock of millinery and ladies' and gents' furnishing and outfitting goods.

News was also brought by the Seattle that the investigation into the charges of irregularities against ex-Gold Commissioner Fawcett have been completed by the City of Seattle. The findings and the same have been forwarded to Ottawa. Mr. Fawcett is now bound to the coast on his way to Ottawa.

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W. J. Terry, who arrived at Skagway last Friday with a bicycle, claims to have made the trip from Dawson in a little over nine days.

## THE KINGSTON RIOTS.

### Two American Sailors Killed and Many Injured, Several of Whom Will Not Recover.

New York, March 31.—During the night between American sailors and native boatmen on Tuesday at the wharf, says a Kingston, Jamaica, dispatch to the Herald the casualties were: Indiana, two killed and several wounded; Texas, one man concussion of the brain, and one fractured knee. Three men from the Texas are in the hospital. One may die from a stab wound. Twenty-five other sailors were injured. The ship's wharfbot crew, which was being stoned by natives, was forced overboard to escape death. Eight natives are reported to have been killed. The Newark arrived this morning.

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Washington, March 31.—A despatch received at the war department says the second Illinois regiment will leave Havana to-day for Savannah, Ga. So far during the month of March 13,000 troops have been landed in the United States from Cuba.

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The late Baroness leaves several millions pounds sterling, bequeathed chiefly to charities. Baroness Hirsch gave millions to promote the welfare of Jews throughout the world, and recently gave \$100,000 for colonization enterprises.

News of her death was much interested.

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San Francisco, March 31.—Israel Lawton, a resident of San Francisco mint and jewelry maker, is dead from heart failure at his home in New York.

## PLAINT OF THE ALASKAN.

The Coast Cities Want Representation in the United States Congress.

The newspapers of Alaska, especially the *Alaskan Miner*, Douglas Island News and *Stikkeen River Journal*, are up in arms against the congress of the United States. Governor Brady and the outside world in general.

"No taxation without representation," that wonderful old battle cry of the Revolution, is to be taken up by the citizens of Uncle Sam's golden north land. They will keep at it until they get what they have long demanded, a representative in congress. The outside will hear more than ever this year from the cold territory and the chances of making an impression will be better.

Alaska is not satisfied with the taxation law, as the following paragraph from one of the northern papers testifies:

"Residents of Alaska, instead of being taxed, should be paid a premium for undergoing the primary hardships incident to the settlement and development of a new country. The capital in Alaska and it is driven away. Deprived of capital Alaska has no need for any one-missionaries excepted."

Governor Brady's actions at Washington City come in for considerable criticism and the lead of governmental affairs up north is having some abuse heaped on his head. The papers take exception to the manner in which he denied the insult placed on the women of Alaska by Rev. Willbur F. Crafts when Crafts and Brady appeared before the committee at Washington City. Brady denied Crafts's statement. The *Alaskan Miner* says he should have thrashed him, or tried to at least, on the spot. The following editorial paragraphs also speak of the governor:

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### Troops and Volunteers Are Ready to Assist the British Warships Engaged in Samoan Waters.

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The volunteers, who are encamped at Auckland for the Easter manoeuvres, promptly offered their services.

German Proposals Accepted.

Berlin, April 1.—The correspondent here of the Associated Press learns authoritatively that after acting minister of foreign affairs Baron von Richthofen had been closeted with the emperor to-day the United States ambassador passed an hour at the foreign office. It is generally believed an understanding has been reached which is likely to bring about an amicable and satisfactory solution of the whole Samoan difficulty. It is understood that while the United States and Great Britain steadily declined to accept Germany's two previous propositions, the new one has been accepted by all three powers. According to a high German official, "The American explanations have been found satisfactory," and the proposal "to send a commission of investigation to Samoa" has been accepted.

Washington, April 1.—The new proposal, referred to in a Berlin despatch as being accepted by all three governments, is for a joint high commission, that being the only proposition now pending. White's call at the German foreign office was doubtless to express the favorable view which this government takes of this proposed settlement. The British government has not signified its formal acceptance up to noon to-day, although in the absence of Lord Salisbury, the acting officials at the foreign office take such a favorable view that British acceptance is considered assured.

## GERMANS IN CHINA.

### Two Towns Will Be Occupied Until Order Is Guaranteed.

London, April 1.—The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "Under orders from Berlin the Germans will occupy Chuan-Fu and I-Chau-Fu, in the province of Shan-Tung, until China is able to give the requisite guarantee of her ability to preserve order within that province. Since she is unable to give such guarantees Germany's action is equivalent to effective interference in administrative control within the German sphere of influence."

## RUN DOWN AND KILLED.

Montreal, April 1.—A very sad accident, by which a prominent Montrealer lost his life, took place at the Windsor street station yesterday. Geo. H. Mills, who was in charge of the western branch of G. H. Robertson, coal merchant, while walking along the track, was run down by a Boston express, which passed over his body and almost instantly killed him. Mills was 38 years of age, and was greatly respected.

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Washington, March 31.—President McKinley has issued an order amending the customs tariff and regulations for Porto Rico, which will enable Porto Ricans to secure cheap packages for the shipment of raw sugar and molasses. He has also directed that the customs tariff and regulations for ports in Porto Rico shall be amended by the insertion of a paragraph which permits articles of growth, produce and manufacture in the island exported to foreign countries and returned without having been advanced in value, or improved in condition by any process of manufacture or other means, and upon which no bounty shall have been allowed, to be returned to this island free of duty. A similar amendment has been made to the Cuban tariff.

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Sir Hilbert Tupper left here to-day for the coast. He intended to go yesterday but did not get away.

It is just probable that the order-in-council granting Deadman's Island will be rescinded, and a new one passed, giving the lease of the park to the city and the lease of the island to Mr. Ludgate. That, at any rate, is suggested, but nothing definite has been done about it. Mr. Ludgate saw Dr. Borden to-day. At present the city does not hold any lease for the park.

It is understood that the government has under consideration the withdrawing of a number of troops from the Yukon. There are 203 officers and men in the contingent. About 75 will likely be left at Dawson, and the remainder recalled.

The department of agriculture will take charge of all exhibits of food products intended for the Paris exhibition, and make them part of a grand Dominion exhibit. Several exhibitors, who furnish exhibits which are accepted, will each have a chance to receive an award on the merits of his products.

General Otis Preparing to Continue an Active Campaign Against the Filipinos—All Quiet at Malolos.

Washington, April 1.—A cablegram to the war department early to-day from General Otis from Manila says the American troops rested yesterday after entering Malolos.

The dispatch indicated that the American forces have made no forward movement either yesterday or to-day. All is quiet at the front.

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Another Engagement.

Manila, April 1, 7:50 p.m.—Natives have been collected along the fronts of Gen. Lawton and Gen. Hall's brigades, who are holding the line on the waterworks to La Lonia. There was shooting nightly along this line, and consequently Gen. Lawton detailed five sharpshooters from each company to attend to them, the Americans picking off a number of the rebels.

It is reported that 3,000 rebels under Pilar are concentrating at Cainta and Taytay.

Gen. King this morning sent two companies of the North Dakota regiment to reconnoitre and a brisk engagement followed during which seven Filipinos were killed. On the American side a lieutenant and two privates were wounded. The death of Lieutenant Gregg of the Fourth Infantry, killed near Manila waterworks yesterday, deeply affected the army, as he was one of the most popular young officers.

Tired of the Fighting.

New York, April 1.—A Washington despatch to the Evening Journal says: It is reported on seemingly good authority that Aguinaldo has sent trusted friends to treat with the American commissioners for a cessation of hostilities.

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