

Downers Grove Reporter

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MINOR EVENTS BY TELEGRAPH

Domestic and Foreign Items of General Interest Told in Paragraphs.

COMPLETE NEWS SUMMARY.

Record of Happenings of Much or Little Importance from All Parts of the Civilized World—Incidents, Enterprises, Accidents, Verdicts, Crimes and Wars.

Secretary of War Root approved the recommendation of the Taft Commission that the government buy the Friars' lands and allow the tenants to acquire them on easy payments.

A dinner is to be given in honor of Senator Depew and his bride by Dr. Seward Webb in New York, at which there will be a large company to meet the bride.

Alabama to have another negro town, the second to be instituted in a few months. It will be called Booker City and will have a municipal administration entirely by members of the race.

George Muts, Trevor, Wis., aged 14, was drowned while skating.

Charles Johnson has confessed to the murder of Mat Smette at Houghton, Mich.

Albert Dolbow, aged 18, son of the Marshal of Carbondale, Ind., accidentally shot and killed Carl Stamp, aged 22.

Harrison Camm, 13 years, broke through the ice while skating near Harvard, Ill., and was drowned.

Mrs. J. P. Philhower, Elmwood, Ill., attempted to start a fire with kerosene and died within a few hours.

Mrs. Esther Conroy, Harvard, Ill., was accidentally killed while attempting to cross the railroad tracks.

The hospital and women's guild hall of the White Earth Indian agency in Minnesota are burned.

Louise Avery was found dead at Des Moines, O., holding to her right temple the muzzle of a shotgun. There were indications that she had also taken morphine and Paris green previous to using the gun.

The Pittsburg committee of the McKinley Memorial association has raised \$30,000 for the fund.

William Rambo, Kansas City, Kan., is being held on suspicion of being one of the two men who held up five men in a poolroom and got \$1,500.

While posting bills on the ruins of the Michigan Buggy company's plant at Kalamazoo, which was destroyed by fire Monday night, John J. Decker was caught under a falling wall and instantly killed. He was to have been married soon.

Robert Hines of Chicago began payment at Dowagiac, Mich., of \$34,000 to the Pottawatomie Indians for their title to lands along the lake front of Chicago.

Prince Henry will probably visit the West on his trip to the United States, going as far as St. Louis. President Roosevelt to attend the launching.

Pere Marquette railway's steamer No. 3 is wrecked while attempting to enter the harbor at Ludington, Mich. Passengers and crew rescued.

The Infanta Maria Christina Isabella of Spain is dead, after a lingering illness. She was in her sixty-ninth year.

The sum of \$317,000 has been assigned to build a pier and approach to the freighthouse at Matanzas, Cuba.

Four earthquake shocks at the City of Mexico away buildings and telegraph poles and cause thousands of people to rush into the streets, where many kneel in prayer.

Sam Mertze may be used at third caught through operations in Snap Hook and Eye, price of which stock drops to nothing.

Senator Foraker thanked Ohio assembly for re-electing him and made an address reviewing charges in recent conditions of the country.

Admiral Sholey started Thursday for a deer hunt on St. Catherine's Island. White Star line sold six of its big cargo steamships to the J. Pierpont Morgan syndicate. Another step in the amalgamation of the White Star, Leyland and American lines.

Negotiations under way in New York for the consolidation of the National Starch Company and the Glucose Sugar Refining Company.

King Edward, in an address to officers of the guards, intimated that the war in South Africa is nearing the end.

Rev. Father Kreinhart, 63 years old, for thirty-two years pastor of a German church at Jonesville, Mo., committed suicide.

Opening of St. Louis exposition may be postponed until 1904 because of the difficulty in getting ready at the time originally fixed for the fair.

Samuel Jones ordered negro shot who attacked witness in the courtroom. Onoreo saves his life by over-throwing him.

United States steel corporation ordered the marine engineers in its employ to report the date and Monday night of the company. President Roosevelt on lake boat.

McNelly's Island

T. E. McNelly, under arrest at New Orleans, was identified as the New York diamond thief Kern.

McNelly's island is surrounded by launches and rowboats to prevent scoundrels getting away who escaped from the federal prison.

The League of Eligibles, a "get rich quick" concern, failed to comply with the Michigan law and was ousted from the state.

Five persons were killed by the collapse of a factory at Belfast, Ireland.

Miss Stone's captors agreed to liberate her for the amount raised by subscription.

Two Christian missionaries at Pingle, China, were murdered by soldiers and Mohammedans.

The Illinois legislature will be asked to appropriate \$250,000 for a state historical library.

An insurrection reported in China near the Korean frontier.

The loss of uncashed checks for \$1,200 is believed to have driven the treasurer of Wareham, Mass., to suicide.

Commandant Scheepers, the Boer General, was shot by the British after condemnation by a court-martial. He was charged with murdering prisoners.

Prof. Pearson may be dismissed from Northwestern University as a result of his attack on the infallibility of the Bible.

H. H. Matteson, cashier of the First National Bank of Great Falls, Mont., was arrested for embezzlement. He admitted the theft of \$70,000.

The Caffery Central Sugar Refining company of New Orleans and Franklin & Abbeville Railroad company went into the hands of a receiver.

Great Britain announces her intention to impose a countervailing duty on sugar unless bounties are withdrawn.

Miss Effie M. Parham, a junior literary student at Ann Arbor, is suffering with smallpox and students must be vaccinated.

George F. Stone, a brother of Miss Ellen M. Stone, died at Melrose, Mass. Gates & Brown, wholesale grocers at Richmond, Va., were burned out. Loss \$30,000, covered by insurance.

The plant of the H. Wether Manufacturing company at Memphis, Tenn., was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$250,000, covered by insurance.

At Davos Platz, Switzerland, the Norwegian, Schwartz, won the world's skating championship.

United States and Germany busy with plans for the forthcoming visit of Prince Henry, who will arrive in New York Feb. 22 and remain until March 8.

Sir Ellis Ashmead Bartlett died at London, the result of an operation for appendicitis.

Alexander Sullivan, who was convicted of conspiracy to keep Ballif Lynch, a fugitive from justice, out of the state of Illinois, was denied a new trial.

It is current gossip in political circles that all the government transports on the Atlantic and Pacific are to be sold.

Memorial services commemorative of the birthday of General Robert E. Lee were held throughout the South on Jan. 19.

At Jacksonville, Ill., the jury in the Barnes murder case, acting on instructions from Judge Thompson, returned a verdict of not guilty and the defendant was discharged.

The Northeastern Cedarmen's association will meet in January, 1903, in Chicago.

Dr. Hackney of Kansas City and Miss Josephine Mulock of Middleton, N. Y., who had conducted their courtship by letter, met in Chicago and were married.

An immense diamond field has been discovered in Fergus county, Montana.

The ordinance department of the army has perfected a new weapon to take the place of the Krag-Jorgensen. Man seriously hurt while being initiated into a secret society at Spokane.

Twelve horses stampeded by an elevated train injured several persons at Jackson boulevard and Wabash avenue, Chicago.

Great Northern Express company may displace the Adams on the Burlington system.

Sharkey-Maher bout at Philadelphia a fiasco. The men were arrested before the go and then gave a tame exhibition, which the referee stopped in the third round.

Thirty-nine persons are rescued with breeches buoy from Pere Marquette steamer No. 3, which strikes bar at mouth of Ludington harbor and is scuttled to prevent her being pounded to pieces.

President Francis of the St. Louis fair board denies that the exposition is to be postponed one year.

Judge Small at Joliet decides that grain in elevators is in transit and is not subject to local taxation.

In the Park avenue tunnel investigation an official of the New York Central admitted the signals were faulty. Engineers had frequently been unable to see them.

Frank Gould's dog kennels at Lyndhurst are to be transformed into a cooking school.

A. J. Spalding, who arrived in Chicago for a conference with Ben Johnson on baseball affairs, hinted that the National league may be reduced to four clubs.

J. Pierpont Morgan rumored to be interested in the sale of the Panama Canal to the government.

Charles T. Yerkes has invented a suspended railroad car, with which he will equip his underground line in London.

Old-Time Printers at Chicago observe anniversary of Ben Franklin with a banquet.

EARTHQUAKE KILLS 300 PERSONS

A Terrible Catastrophe in the State of Guerrero, Mexico.

CHURCH FALLS ON PEOPLE.

Population of Chilpancingo Camping Out Under Tents Around the Town—Much Suffering—Troops Called Out—Disturbances Felt in Many Cities.

One of the most terrible catastrophes in the history of the state of Guerrero, Mexico, is reported to have occurred late Thursday afternoon, when an extremely violent earthquake shock was felt at Chilpancingo, causing a great loss of life and injuring many persons.

Details from the stricken district are very meager, but scattering reports received at Mexico City indicate that probably 300 persons were killed and as many more injured. It is known that the state capitol, the parish church and many business houses and residences are in ruins, and there is much suffering as a result of the awful seismic disturbance.

One of the edifices that suffered most was the federal telegraph office, which explains the paucity of news that has so far reached this city.

Meager details finally begin to arrive at Mexico City. The telegraph lines and apparatus at Chilpancingo were badly damaged, but the employees, all of whom were uninjured, quickly proceeded to erect an improvised telegraph office on the outskirts of the city.

The number of deaths was greater in the parish church than in any single place, as a crowd of worshippers were gathered there for the afternoon service. The solid masonry walls and roof came toppling down on the worshippers, and many persons were killed.

The war department has ordered troops in the neighborhood to co-operate in the work of rescue. Until this work is completed it will be impossible accurately to learn the number of victims. It is believed that this is one of the most destructive seismic phenomena that has occurred in Mexico.

The greater part of the population of Chilpancingo are now camping out under tents around the town, which is five days' journey from the national capital.

Earthquake shocks were felt in many other cities and towns. In Mexico City the earthquake took place at 5:17 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and was of such violence as to shake the most substantial buildings. The Pan-American congress was in session at the time, and many of the delegates were greatly alarmed.

The first movement was one of trepidation, and was very sharp. It was followed by an easy, oscillatory movement northeast to south-southwest. The duration was fifty-five seconds. The damage in this city was only slight.

The state of Guerrero has always been the focus of seismic disturbance. Reports received state that the shock was very severe at Chilpancingo. No casualties are so far reported from there.

The duration of the Chilpancingo shock was less than that in Mexico City, having lasted fifty seconds, against fifty-five seconds at the capital. Late advice says that the earthquake was also intense at Iguala, in the state of Guerrero, destroying the parish church and many buildings in the city and neighborhood. Among the latter was the sugar mill of General Frisbie, an American.

The mill had just been completed and fitted up with American machinery at a cost of \$200,000. The property loss is immense throughout the state of Guerrero.

Lepor at Evansville. Isaac Lockett was taken to the infirmary at Evansville, Ind., suffering from a disease resembling leprosy.

LATEST MARKET QUOTATIONS

January wheat, 77 1/2 @ 78 1/2; January corn, 29 1/2 @ 30 1/2; January oats, 14 1/2 @ 15 1/2; January pork, 12 1/2 @ 13 1/2; January lard, 10 1/2 @ 11 1/2; Cattle—Native shipping and export steers, \$4.50 @ 7; dressed beef and butcher steers, \$2.25 @ 4; steers under 1,000 lbs., \$2.75 @ 3.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.00 @ 4; cows and heifers, \$2.00 @ 3.50; bulls, \$2.50 @ 3.50; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.50 @ 4; cows and heifers, \$2.00 @ 3.50; Hogs—Figs and lights, \$5.75 @ 6.50; packers, \$5.75 @ 6.50; butchers, \$2.25 @ 3.50. Sheep and lambs—Native muttons, \$2.25 @ 3.50; lamb, \$1.50 @ 2.50; culls and bucks, \$2.50 @ 3; stockers, \$1.50 @ 2.50. Butter—Extra creamery, 23 1/2 @ 24; first, 22 1/2 @ 23; second, 21 1/2 @ 22; third, 20 1/2 @ 21; fourth, 19 1/2 @ 20; fifth, 18 1/2 @ 19; sixth, 17 1/2 @ 18; seventh, 16 1/2 @ 17; eighth, 15 1/2 @ 16; ninth, 14 1/2 @ 15; tenth, 13 1/2 @ 14; eleventh, 12 1/2 @ 13; twelfth, 11 1/2 @ 12; thirteenth, 10 1/2 @ 11; fourteenth, 9 1/2 @ 10; fifteenth, 8 1/2 @ 9; sixteenth, 7 1/2 @ 8; seventeenth, 6 1/2 @ 7; eighteenth, 5 1/2 @ 6; nineteenth, 4 1/2 @ 5; twentieth, 3 1/2 @ 4. Eggs—Fresh southern, 31; fresh northern, 28 1/2 @ 30; poultry per pound—Live turkeys, \$4 @ 5; chickens, \$3 @ 4; springs, \$2 @ 3; roosters, \$2 @ 3; geese, doz., \$1.50 @ 2; dressed turkeys, \$8 @ 11; ducks, \$6 @ 8; geese, \$6 @ 8. Beans—Pea, hand picked, \$1.75 @ 1.75; screened, \$1.55 @ 1.62; medium, \$1.65 @ 1.70. Apples—Fair to choice, brl., \$2.50 @ 3; fancy, \$3 @ 4.50; bushel, \$1.00 @ 1.25. Potatoes—Rural, but 707; mixed, 607; Burbanks, 71674c. Wool—East Missouri E., washed, tub, 26 1/2 @ 27.

Three Miners Killed.

In a cave-in at the Ada mine at Carterville, near Joplin, Mo., three miners lost their lives, another was injured fatally, and several others were seriously hurt. The dead: Arthur Roberts, John Simmons, Bruce Westfall. The accident was caused by a premature explosion of dynamite, which blocked the entrance to the mine. It took several hours' work by the men from adjoining mines before the imprisoned miners were reached. The Ada mine is owned by a Chicago syndicate, Dr. Gundling of that city being superintendent.

Want Raines Law Enforced.

The Society for the Prevention of Crime at New York has threatened to prosecute Mayor Low and the Police Commissioner if the police do not enforce the Raines excise law.

Emperor William Approves

Plans for Prince Henry's entertainment in the United States entailed by Emperor William and approved by him. The royal visitor is to start for Chicago on February 28.

Government Official in Trouble.

Investigation of the attempt to secure control of mineral lands in the Utah Indian reservation is likely to result in the retirement of some government officials.

England Declined to Interfere.

Lord Cranborne in the House of Commons admitted England was invited by the powers to coerce the United States during the Spanish war, but refused.

Inducements to Emigrants.

It is declared that at the close of the war the British government contemplates offering special encouragement and facilities for immigration to South Africa on a large scale.

Chamberlain Asks for Troops.

Chamberlain has cabled the governors of Australia and New Zealand inviting each to send a further contingent of 1,000 men to South Africa.

Minister Wu's Home.

The residence of the Chinese minister at Washington has been transformed into an ideal oriental home by Mme. Wu.

Boyer General Beheaded.

General Tung Fuh Slang, who led in the attacks on the Pekin legations, has been executed by order of the Dowager Empress.

Diamond Dealer Murdered.

B. E. Brown, a prominent diamond dealer of Rochester, N. Y., was murdered in his store after being bound and gagged.

Philippine Rebels Surrender.

The War Department is advised of the surrender of 365 insurgents at Cebu, Philippine Islands, Jan. 14.

Crocker Stands by Tammany.

Richard Crocker, in conferences with Democratic leaders, advised them to stand by Tammany.

MAKING LAWS AT WASHINGTON

The Record in Brief of Legislative Work in Senate and House.

NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL.

Mr. Clark Protests Against Appropriating \$40,000 to Entertain Prince Henry—Military Post at Manila—Senate Considers Department of Commerce.

Friday, January 17.

By a strictly partisan vote the Senate committee on commerce orders a favorable report upon Senator Frye's ship subsidy bill. The report, prepared by Senator Frye, was read to the committee. It says that the purpose of the bill is to establish the maritime supremacy of the United States in trade with Asia and in the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean; to establish thoroughly trade between the United States and South American republics, and to give the United States a respectable representation on the North Atlantic. The claim is made that all these results will be accomplished within ten years. The report also asserts that the bill will so extend shipbuilding as to transfer in time from abroad to the United States the center of that industry as the centers of other industries have recently been transferred, and also that it will give to the United States a measure of maritime independence corresponding to our industrial and agricultural independence.

Bill providing for a national pure food commissioner will be introduced in both Senate and House by Illinois men.

Owing to family opposition friends of President Harrison's widow decide to abandon their effort to obtain a pension for her.

Outlook for legislation on the Nicaragua Canal is discouraging because of the confusion that has been caused by those opposed to any legislation on the subject.

Prince Henry's visit will make it necessary for President Roosevelt to establish precedents in the etiquette of such occasions.

House Committee on Election of Resolution will report favorably on resolution to elect senators by popular vote.

Strife in Congress over reciprocity with Cuba grows bitter and the President and Senate may clash with the House, with the possible result of reopening the entire tariff contest.

Monday, January 20.

The time of the House of Representatives was occupied in general debate on the urgent deficiency appropriation bill. An item in the bill carrying \$500,000 for a military post at Manila precipitated a long debate.

Mr. Cannon, in charge of the measure, explained that the bill provided for the government service for the current fiscal year, where existing appropriations were not sufficient. The bill carried \$18,704,230.

Mr. Clark protested against an appropriation of \$40,000 for the entertainment of Prince Henry. Mr. Clark also indulged in some general comments on the vast increase in governmental expenditure, which had grown, he said, from \$1.52 per capita in 1860 to \$12 per capita last year.

Mr. Cannon twitted Mr. Clark with having asked for the \$5,000,000 appropriation for the St. Louis exposition. Taking up Mr. Clark's statement that the per capita cost of the government had increased from \$1.50 in 1860 to \$12 in 1900, Mr. Cannon said it was absurd to compare the situation then and now.

During the greater part of the senate session the measure providing for the establishment of a Department of Commerce was under consideration. An effort was made by Mr. Nelson of Minnesota to secure a vote, but the opposition to many of its provisions became so strong that the effort had to be abandoned.

Wednesday, January 22.

According to the Daily Mail correspondence a letter has been received at Constantinople from Miss Stone saying the writer and Mrs. Telika were well.

Six Financial Combs. Bank, trust companies and insurance companies of New York having \$3,000,000 capital and \$3,000,000 surplus are said to have combined.

Illinois Postmasters Indicted. The United States grand jury returned several indictments against postmasters in southern Illinois who are short in their accounts.

Defend Prof. Pearson. Prof. Oscar L. Triggs of the University of Chicago, declares that Prof. Pearson had a perfect right to say what he did.

Shoots His Fiancée. Fred Brockman, a young coal miner of Coffeen, Ill., shot and killed Miss Gertie Clifford near Coffeen and then attempted suicide by shooting himself twice in the head. He was supposed to be engaged to the girl.

Disproves Koch's Theory. Dr. G. D. Barney of Brooklyn, has completed experiments which he declares disprove Professor Koch's theory that human beings cannot get tuberculosis from cattle.

Reproves Wait on Roosevelt. A delegation interested in the advancement of the colored race invited President Roosevelt to attend the negro young people's Christian congress at Atlanta, Ga., next August.

CANAL COMMISSION REPORTS

President's Special Representative Reports on Congress—Is Urged to Proceed. The President Monday sent to Congress, with a message simply of transmittal, the supplemental report of the Isthmian Canal commission, in which it is unanimously recommended that the offer of the new Panama Canal company to sell all of its rights, property, and unfinished work to the United States for \$40,000,000 be accepted. The senate ordered the report printed in the Congressional Record and also as a document.

The state department will now proceed to arrange a protocol with Minister Silva, engaging Colombia to approve the transfer of the franchise of the Panama company and to make any desirable extensions of time, both in the allowance for the completion of the canal and in the life of the lease.

PASTOR KILLS STEPSON.

Family Tragedy at Shipman, Ill., May Result in Two Deaths.

The Rev. Mr. Gidding stabbed to death his stepson, Harry Highfield, and was himself perhaps fatally injured, sustaining two fractured ribs, besides internal injuries. The affair took place three miles east of Shipman, Ill., Friday evening. The tragedy was the culmination of a feud of long standing between the father and son, dating from the marriage of the boy's mother five years ago. Highfield had just returned from three years' service in the Philippines.

Oil Well Near Danville.

The Fuel Oil company, which has been leasing oil lands about Danville, Ill., for several months, shot its first well east of that city Friday. The well proved to be a gusher. Daniel Fishell, a representative of the company, said: "We are satisfied that this field will prove to be one of the greatest crude oil producers in the world. The entire output can be marketed in Chicago for less than Illinois or Indiana coals are being sold, saying nothing of the advantages in freight handling and the convenience in using."

Minister Sent to Prison.

Judge Swan of the United States district court at Detroit sentenced Rev. G. F. B. Howard, who had previously pleaded guilty to using the mails to obtain money under false pretenses at Horton, Mich., to two and a half years in the Detroit house of correction. Howard, who is well known throughout the country, was arrested by a United States marshal in Columbus, O., several months ago as he left the Ohio penitentiary after serving a nine-year sentence, and taken to Detroit. He made an eloquent and pathetic plea for mercy.

Mrs. Astor Leaves New York.

Tired of what she considers unjust taxation, Mrs. William Astor, the society leader, has petitioned the court at Newport, R. I., for a certificate of citizenship in Rhode Island. This undoubtedly will be granted, and it is expected that on Monday the legal residence of Mrs. Astor will be changed from New York to Newport. The New York millionaires, Hamilton Fish Webster, Samuel E. Huntington and William C. Schermerhorn, the last Mrs. Astor's brother, will also become citizens of Rhode Island on Monday.

Robbed of \$400.

Edmund Luettege, an employe of the Meyercord company of Austin, was robbed of \$348 and a \$-E certified check while carrying the pay of employes to the company's office.

"Get-Rich-Quick" Man Arrested.

A get-rich-quick scheme, said to have netted \$40,000, resulted in the arrest at New York of Herbert R. Fulton, who will be brought to Chicago for trial.

Smallpox Scare at City Hall.

A man having smallpox was sent to Chicago from Camp Lake, Wis., by the authorities of the latter place. He visited the city hall, which was afterwards fumigated.

Railway Men to Meet in Chicago.

Chicago was selected as headquarters and as the place of next meeting by the convention of the United Brotherhood of Railway Employees.

Sam Jones Attacks Bishop Potter.

Sam Jones in a letter to a Southern paper made a vicious attack on Bishop Potter of New York for his attitude on prohibition.

England's Iron and Steel Trade.

England's imports of iron and steel are increasing, while the exports are falling off. British trade papers are much alarmed.

Detroit Buildings Collapsed.

Four four-story buildings in the wholesale district of Detroit collapsed, causing \$200,000 damage. No casualties.

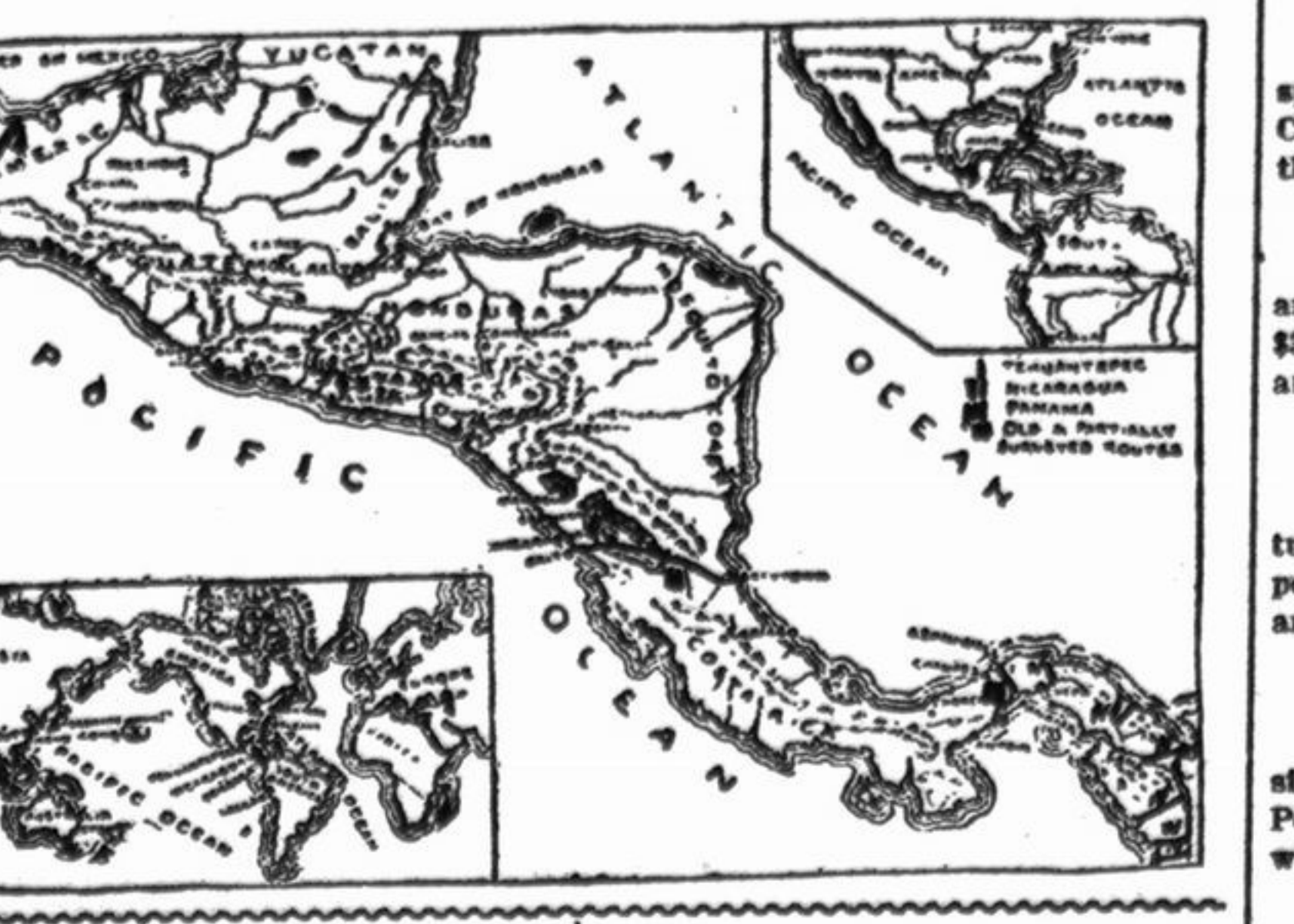
Seeks Damages for Child's Death.

John Fuerst has brought suit against the city of St. Louis for \$30,000 damages for the death of his 4-year-old daughter, who he alleges, was killed by the administration of antitoxin furnished by the Health department.

Negroes Wait on Roosevelt.

A delegation interested in the advancement of the colored race invited President Roosevelt to attend the negro young people's Christian congress at Atlanta, Ga., next August.

CANAL ROUTES ACROSS THE ISTHMUS.



Insurgents Sink Colombian Warship. A battle between three insurgent gunboats and the government warship Lautaro in the harbor of Panama resulted in the destruction of the latter and many on board, including General Alban, governor of Panama.

Concentration Camps in London. Guerrilla warfare in the Province of Estangon, London, to be crushed by harsher methods. The natives have been ordered to move into concentration camps near the garrisons.

Steel Workers in Good Shape. The Amalgamated association went into the strike with the United States steel corporation with \$72,000 and spent \$200,000. It will go into the next convention with \$100,000 in the treasury.

Germany's Foreign Trade in 1901. Germany's foreign trade in 1901, amounted to 44,354,527 tons, compared with 42,811,757 and 44,033,332 tons in 1899 and 1900 respectively. Exports of wheat rose 1,250,000 tons.