

GENERAL WEYLER'S BOOK ON HIS MILITARY CAMPAIGN.

London, Jan. 1.—General Weyler will shortly publish a book entitled "My Military and Political Campaign in Cuba," according to a special dispatch from Madrid.

BUSINESS PROSPECTS FOR 1904 REGARDED AS FULL OF HOPE.

Representatives of American Industries See More Elements of Strength Than Weakness—Settlement of Labor Troubles Gives Promise of Restoring Confidence in Many Lines.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, Jan. 1.—Men representative of American industry have been asked by The Republic for an expression of their opinion as to the present state of business and the prospects for 1904.

zuelan message; the Governors of nearly all the States offering their troops to the President with which to make war on England; the sinking of the Maine; war with Spain; acquisition of and war with the Philippines; assassination of President McKinley; the Boxer massacres in China and the preservation of the Chinese Empire through the influence of the United States; the great coal strike of 1902 and the assumption of an additional responsibility by President Roosevelt; the rejection of a canal treaty by the United States of Colombia; the success of the Panama and its immediate recognition as a nation by the United States and a treaty made far as the executive can make with Panama for the construction of an isthmian canal.

First—I regard present conditions to be in a large measure the natural reaction that inevitably follows periods of great activity. That the reaction should come in 1904 instead of one or two years later is the result of a number of causes.

By John C. Weir, president of the Adams Express Company. The temporary cessation of business at concert pitch is largely due to apprehension rather than a conviction, of the end of prosperity.

COMMISSION FAVORS GOLD STANDARD.

Recommends Legislation to Establish New Financial System in Mexico.

Special by cable to the New York Herald and the St. Louis Republic. Mexico City, Mexico, Jan. 1.—(Copyright, 1904.)—The Mexican Monetary Commission finally has rendered a definite report after months of investigation, relative to the adoption of the gold standard for the Republic.

WOULD CHANGE BY DEGREES.

Advises Closing of Mints Temporarily and Prohibition of Reimportation of Mexican Dollars.

The commission adds: "On the contrary, as the most adequate means of bringing about a regime under which gold coins will constitute the chief circulating medium of the Republic, it is advisable to adopt, for the time being, a system which will keep the silver coins in circulation in considerable quantities. This is possible without impairing the practical maintenance of their parity with gold at a rate to be adopted."

LABOR DISTURBANCES POTENT.

While a great improvement is noticeable at present in the labor world, yet the present and past disturbances cannot be ignored as a factor of weakness.

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PROGNOSTICATION FUTILE.

Fifth—If present conditions were normal, judged by standards prevailing prior to 1902, the future of good business would be assured, notwithstanding the approaching presidential election.

It is reiterated that if there is any breaking off of relations, Japan, not Russia, will take the initial step. The information of the Japanese Minister in London, therefore, is in a line generally with that which the Diplomatic Corps here has been in possession of for several days.

I CURE MEN



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THE WEATHER.

Official Forecast Announced for To-Day and To-Morrow. Washington Jan. 1.—Forecast: Illinois—Snow Saturday; colder in extreme south portion. Sunday fair; fresh northeast to north winds.

Our After-Season Selling!!

The Greatest Bargain Event of the Year for St. Louis Clothing Buyers.

To-Day we begin our annual cleaning-up of winter stocks, during which we will give the most remarkable values in Men's and Boys' Clothing of any time since we opened this store.

Lot 1---Men's and Youths' Suits==Overcoats

Suits of Fancy Scotches, in light, medium and dark shades; Fancy Mixed Worsteds, Oxford Cassimeres and smooth-finished Chevots, lined with serge and fine Italian cloth; single-breasted style; in regular, stout, slim and extra large sizes for men, and all sizes for youths men.

\$8.85

See them displayed in the Washington Avenue windows.

Lot 2---Men's and Youths' Suits==Overcoats

Suits of hard-finished Worsteds, in small checks, broken plaids, etc.—Scotch Chevots in dark effects and smooth-finished Chevots in a variety of patterns; lined with all-wool serge; in single-breasted style; hand-tailored; in all sizes for men and young men.

\$10.25

See them displayed in the Washington Avenue windows.

Lot 3---Men's and Youths' Suits==Overcoats

Suits of Hard Twilled Worsteds, Oxford and Steel Gray Chevots, fine Scotch Mixtures, fine Worsteds in pen checks and hairline stripes; single-breasted style; lined with pure wool serge; beautifully trimmed and hand-tailored; all sizes for men and youths.

\$12.90

See them displayed in the Washington Avenue windows.

Lot 4---Men's and Youths' Suits==Overcoats

Suits of Bannockburn Chevots, fine imported Worsteds, in dark effects, and imported Scotch Mixtures; lined with finest wool serge, hand-tailored in every detail; in regular, stout, slim and extra sizes, for men and youths.

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During this special selling we fit clothes just as carefully as in season and guarantee the complete satisfaction always obtainable here. Your money back freely for anything that isn't satisfactory.

The MODELS Seventh and Washington Ave.

"Your Money's Worth or Money Back."

RUSSIA TO REJECT JAPAN'S DEMANDS; ACTION MEANS WAR.

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RUSSIANS INDIFFERENT AT PROSPECT OF WAR.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 1.—Advices from Moscow, the center of Russian business life, confirm previous reports to the effect that outside of military circles people there are not interested in the differences with Japan.

Commercially Moscow has much at stake in the far East, but there is neither excitement nor enthusiasm. This is regarded here as extremely significant by those who remember the passionate fervor of all classes in the Empire, from the Czar to the peasant, before the Russo-Turkish war.

ARMY AND NAVY PREPARING TO PROTECT AMERICANS.

Washington, Jan. 1.—The news of the likelihood of actual war in the Orient was communicated to the General Staff of the army and the General Board of the navy, the members of both being gathered in their respective departments preparatory to marching to the White House.

Neither Russia nor Japan," said this authority, "will abate any of their claims and there is no disposition on either side to invite the mediation of friendly Powers. It is believed that Japan will take decisive steps within the next few days unless a conciliatory message is dispatched from St. Petersburg, a contingency which those who are best able to form judgment, do not anticipate."

KILLS FATHER-IN-LAW ACROSS THE STATE LINE.

Knotty Problem Now Arises as to Which State Has Jurisdiction to Try Case.

Somerset, Ky., Jan. 1.—In a family quarrel in the southern end of Wayne County, J. J. Smith and his son Fred upon Jane Blevins and his two sons, killing Blevins and fatally wounding both sons. Smith is Blevins's son-in-law.

DOWIE DEPARTS ON TRIP AROUND THE WORLD.

Thousands of His Followers Turn Out to See Him Board His Train and Bid Him Farewell.

Washington, Ill., Jan. 1.—Every resident of Zion City turned out to see Dowie and his party start on their round-the-world trip to-day, and when, at 2 o'clock, Ethel emerged from his palace he saw surrounding it thousands of his followers. He entered an open carriage and fell in behind the Zion City guards formed in line and Dowie gave the signal for the procession to start.

GREAT BRITAIN HURRIES BATTLESHIPS TO ORIENT.

Portsmouth, England, Jan. 1.—The British armored cruiser, King Alfred (14,000 tons), left Portsmouth to-day for China. The British battleships Formidable (12,500 tons) and Irresistible (12,000 tons), the second-class cruiser Vindictive (6,800 tons) and another cruiser have been ordered to China from the Mediterranean. These vessels will be replaced on the latter station by ships from home ports.

WASHINGTON OFFICIALS DEEPLY STIRRED BY NEWS.

Neither the Russian Embassy nor the Japanese Legation has yet received an official inkling of the Russian reply. News from Tokyo received by Mr. Takahira shows that the situation is increasing in tension there and every day of waiting adds to the anxiety of the Government.

MILES SAYS OTHER STATES MAY BE INVOLVED IN WAR.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 1.—General Nelson A. Miles was in Richmond for a few hours this morning, en route from St. Louis to Cincinnati. In speaking of events that might take place in the new year, the General said: "I predict that the year 1904 will be signalized by one of the world's greatest wars. It will be between Russia and Japan—and the conflict may involve several European States. I do not believe that the United States will be dragged into it."

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Cap Girardeau no Station. Carbondale, Ill., Jan. 1.—An unusual announcement was officially made by the Illinois Central headquarters in this city to-day, when it was given out that after Sunday when a new time card goes into effect the city of Cape Girardeau, Mo., will no longer be recognized as a station on the system. The trains which heretofore went into Cape Girardeau will stop at Cairo over the new line, the Mounds and Olive branch.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Switchman Edward Brown Assaulted. Edward Brown, a switchman, was assaulted and seriously injured by Frank Lindhorst, at the home of the former's wife, Mrs. Ida Brown, No. 1104 South Second street, yesterday afternoon. Lindhorst, it is alleged, struck Brown with a "billy" and went to visit his wife, from whom he has been separated for several months and quarreled with Lindhorst, who boards at her house. Brown lives at No. 604 Chouteau avenue.

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