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STRIKES IN PROSPECT.

Ten Thousand Men Belonging to the Building Trades at Pittsburg will Go Out May 1st.

Jack the Ripper Does Some Work in New York--Rioters Drilling in Pennsylvania.

PITTSBURG, April 24.—It is estimated that 10,500 men belonging to the building trades of this city will be either locked out or will strike, May 1st.

ST. LOUIS, April 24.—Over two thousand union carpenters of this city have resolved to strike May 1st unless the losses accrue to their demands for 40 cents per hour.

GUBERNATORIAL DIGNITY.

Pennyroy Will Stand on His Rights as Governor of a Great State.

PORTLAND, April 24.—Governor Pennyroy today said that although the opinion published yesterday as to the manner in which President Harrison should be received by him was not intended for publication yet he had nothing to retract today.

The governor believes the opinion expressed by him yesterday that he should not meet the president at the state line but that the president should call on him at the state house, fully accorded with the dignity of his position as governor of Oregon.

"JACK THE RIPPER."

A Horrible Murder in New York Last Night Laid to Him.

NEW YORK, April 24.—Last night a man and woman registered at a cheap hotel as man and wife. They immediately retired, and, as nothing was seen of them this morning, the door of the room was broken in. On the bed lay the woman covered with blood. Her abdomen was ripped open with a dull, broken table knife that lay in the blood. The viscera had been cut and from appearances part was missing. The man had escaped. The police think he is "Jack the Ripper."

AGAINST THE SCALPERS.

A Man Sues the Southern Pacific but Loses His Suit.

CHICAGO, April 24.—Peter Peterson bought from a scalper at Sacramento, Cal., a ticket over the Southern Pacific railroad to New Orleans. He was put off the train at Carter, Cal., on the ground that the ticket which was not transferable had been issued in the name of E. Weinberg, that Weinberg's name had been erased and Peterson's substituted. Peterson brought suit here for \$25,000 damage against the company. Judge Briggs today decided in favor of the company.

SOME GLIMMERINGS OF SENSE.

The Poles and Slavs Want the Socialist Leaders Sent Away.

SCOTTSDALE, Pa., April 24.—Comparative quiet reigns in the coke regions up to noon. Evictions are being made at several places, but thus far there has been no trouble. The Poles and Slavs are up in arms against the socialists and talk of giving the district officers notice that unless Jonas and Delaher are sent away they will withdraw from the strike.

The Detroit Street Car Strike.

DETROIT, April 24.—No street cars are running in this city today, the company having decided to suspend operations until the city authorities advised them that they are in a position to afford proper protection. The mayor has written a letter to the street car officials suggesting arbitration but no answer has been received as yet. Four hundred hostlers of the company struck this morning.

It Never Rains but it Pours.

PANAMA, April 24.—Reports from Peru state that between March 19th and 22nd eleven rainstorms have swept over Lambayeque. The rivers rose and flooded the country all around for thirty miles. Many villages were inundated and a large number of buildings have fallen down. Crops on farms around the villages are all destroyed and not a rail of the Chimbote & Sachimán railroad remains in place.

For Free Schools in England.

LONDON, April 26.—Free education bill has been drafted and will probably be introduced before the White-Sunday recess. It provides that fees be abolished in schools. The Standard strongly attacks free education. It says: "Free education may not abolish church schools but the process will only be delayed. It will impose a heavy and unequal burden upon the nation."

Crushed to Death.

LOUISVILLE, Col., April 24.—Yesterday while several men were working in the Buena Vista tunnel 1,100 feet from the entrance a mass of solid rock weighing several hundred tons fell instantly killing John Carlson and severely injuring five others.

Not a Pleasant Prospect.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Pa., April 24.—It is said that foreigners at the Standard works are drilling every night and trouble is feared there, when evictions take place next week. It is believed they have arms concealed in the vicinity.

Strikers Return to Work.

CHICAGO, April 24.—The strike at Jackson park is over, for the present and all the men needed are at work. They were advised to abandon the present strike and make another attempt later on.

Germany Will be at the World's Fair.

BERLIN, April 24.—It is announced that the German government will shortly apply to the federal council for an appropriation to enable Germany to properly participate in the world's fair in Chicago.

PAVA WILL GET THE BLAME.

The Italian Cabinet Surprised That Rome is Not of His Piece.

LONDON, April 23.—According to Rome advices the Italian premier gave Baron Fava a cool welcome. Rudina appreciates that he has made a fiasco, and is anxious to throw the blame on Fava. It is reported in Rome that the only question now affecting the cabinet is how to get out of the American difficulty with the least disgrace. The latest dispatches from Imperial at Washington are said to foreshadow that not even a money indemnity will be paid to the families of the massacred Italians, the temper of the American people being such that congress would not dare to make an appropriation. Imperial has forwarded statements that have greatly surprised the cabinet, showing as it does, that no fear is felt whatever of Italy's fleet.

NO WAY OUT OF THE SITUATION.

PARIS, April 23.—A dispatch to Temps from Rome says Baron Fava, in his report on the New Orleans affair, expressed the belief that there is no way out of the situation as the federal government has no power to give Italy the satisfaction demanded.

GENERAL SHERMAN'S FAMILY.

They Will Accept, Because it is a Token of Love of the Subscribers.

PHILADELPHIA, April 22.—Lieutenant Thackeray says, while Miss Elizabeth Sherman and her sister would accept the \$100,000 fund because it was given as a token of the subscribers' love for Sherman, the publication in the New York papers that General Sherman was an improvident man, has caused all family annoyances. He was just the reverse.

"At the lowest estimate," remarks Thackeray, Miss Elizabeth Sherman and her sister and brother Fenimore have an income of \$3000 a year. This sufficient to live comfortably on. Besides, General Sherman left a great mass of war correspondence of historical value. Many publishers recently asked access to them. In this way the estate will be very valuable. Then, too, there will be a good income from the general's memoirs. Miss Elizabeth Sherman and sister are sorry so large a fund as \$100,000 should be raised.

THE POSITION OF RUSSIA.

The Stand She Will Take in the Arbitration of the Behring Sea Question.

NEW YORK, April 22.—The Herald's St. Petersburg special says: Secretary Blaine should make no mistake about the position of Russia in the coming arbitration of the Behring sea question. I know the views of the government, although it would not be fair to hold it responsible for my words. In the first place there is nothing on record to show that Russia intends to convey to the United States any special rights in the open waters of Behring sea. Alaska was the result of private negotiations between Baron Edouard Desloch and Secretary Seward. Russia purposely left the question of special jurisdiction or special privileges in the sea out of the bargain. The whole matter, so far as we can ascertain, was intentionally put aside, and any attempt to draw Russia out of this vague and reserved position would have been evaded or resisted.

A BURGLAR KILLED.

A Man Attempts to Rob a Gun Store and is Shot to Death.

PORTLAND, Or., April 27.—About five o'clock this morning a man whose name is at present unknown, entered Strowbridge's gun store by breaking in the front window. Alfred Strowbridge an employee who owing to previous burglaries was sleeping in the store, and was awakened by the noise. Reaching for his pistol he shot and instantly killed the burglar. An accomplice who was on watch outside escaped. Strowbridge gave himself up at once to the authorities. The coroner's inquest this afternoon will probably reveal the murdered man's identity.

CALIFORNIA ENCAMPMENT.

The Order There Also Shows a Good Condition of Affairs.

SANTA CRUZ, April 22.—The first business meeting of the annual encampment of the G. A. R. was held today. Annual reports of officers were received and filed. The department commander's report shows the order to be in a prosperous condition, and seven new posts were organized in the California department and two disbanded. There were 21 deaths in the order in California during the year. This evening an enthusiastic reception was given by the citizens to visiting comrades at the pavilion.

The Men Practically Paupers.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—The German tramp steamer Remus is still in trouble. The supervisor of the port has allowed her to dock, but Collector Phelps objects to the landing of the Japanese. An examination by Inspector Ruddle showed that the men were practically paupers. When asked if they had any money the Japs all pointed to the man who was designated as the financier of the company. The man was applied to for a few minutes search he produced \$1.05.

The Fool Killer Wanted.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—Professor H. Dunlay, of Detroit, is in town making arrangements for a seven days' contest of will power vs. sleep. A number of persons have signified their willingness to enter the contest against Morpheus. Among them is a colored man from Victoria, who claims the honor of having gone without sleep on several occasions for over 100 hours. The prizes will amount to \$400 in cash, and the contest will begin Thursday, April 30.

The Decrease a Surprise.

NEW YORK, April 22.—The decrease in the net earnings of the Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf division, reported yesterday, was unexpected. A further rise in Union Pacific is expected on the streets if for no other reason than that the 29th inst., the stockholders will be given a plan for funding the floating debt, and perhaps for a gigantic consolidated mortgage on the whole property to include the government debt.

New Treasurer's Bond Filed.

WASHINGTON, April 24.—Enos H. Nebecker of Indiana, recently appointed United States treasurer filed his bond today. He will not, however enter upon his duties until next Monday.

Italians in Hard Luck.

PITTSBURG, April 25.—Two Italians killed and three others injured by a collision of freight trains on the Lake Erie road at Rockport, Pa., this morning.

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A NEW APPLICATION OF CIVIL SERVICE PRINCIPLES.

The secretary of the navy has determined on applying a plan of civil service reform in the appointment of foremen and master mechanics in the various navy yards under his control that will meet with the approval of every man who is not a politician merely for what there is in it. He has made a beginning with the yard at New York and ordered that after June first all positions of foremen and master mechanics shall be declared vacant. A board of examiners has been appointed to test the practical qualifications of candidates for the vacant positions, enquire into their antecedent reputation, character and habits and certify to the secretary who are best fitted to fill the vacancies. Other yards will be dealt with in a similar manner in the near future. This is surely a step in the right direction. The doctrine that "to the victor belong the spoils" is the curse of American politics. When there is a change of administration the first half of a president's term is employed "turning the rascals out" and putting a new set of rascals in. The question of fitness, of character, of capacity, is secondary to that of political affiliations. In this respect there is scarcely any perceptible difference between the two great parties. With either in power the janitor as well as the postmaster must be of the same political party. The result is a hungry horde of office seekers who take interest in politics not from motives of patriotism, but for the spoils of office. Destroy this latter incentive by a vigorous civil service reform and the business of the mere politician would be practically ruined and this is a calamity that the country could possibly brook with great equanimity.

BUSINESS IS BUSINESS.

THE CHRONICLE was not mistaken when it intimated a few days ago that the capitalists of Portland were treating with coldness, if not indifference, the project of raising \$2,000,000 to open up the Columbia river. The Oregonian of yesterday referring to some remarks made in these columns, very courteously and at the same time very frankly tells us why this is the case. "An undertaking like this requiring a large amount of money is purely a business matter. The men who put in the money will insist on a chance to make money out of it. But the plan, they say, virtually forbids them to make money and moreover, would withhold from them the control of the line. Capital, we are politely informed, hesitates to subscribe on these conditions." The Oregonian protests against being considered personally "indifferent" and most earnestly avows its desire that the situation were such that it could "enthusiastically and courageously shout for the proposition." There cannot be a shadow of doubt that the situation is precisely as the Oregonian puts it. Men may bow themselves before the mob and lack of enterprise, but when it comes to the raising of a cool two million, human nature asserts itself, and capitalists without whom so great an amount cannot be raised will refuse to risk their money where they cannot have a voice in controlling it, or the hope of the best possible returns. The building of an orphanage or the endowment of a college will relax the purse-strings of sentiment or philanthropy but a portage railroad albeit a beneficent institution is not a benevolent one, and if built at all by private subscription must be built on the lines of a purely business transaction.

THE SUGAR BEET.

The efforts now being made by the state Agricultural College to test the capacity of Oregon soils for the production of the sugar beet should meet with a hearty response from the farmers of this section. We have an impression that some parts of Eastern Oregon are specially adapted for the growth of this plant, and if this impression should receive confirmation after proper tests have been made there is no telling the benefits that might accrue to the people. The very highest authority declares that the growing of beets is "decidedly beneficial to the soil and improves it for cereals." A beet crop would therefore be an excellent substitute for a summer fallow with all the advantages of having a crop of one kind or other each year instead of allowing the land to lie fallow and unproductive every alternate one. The supply of domestic sugar will never equal the demand during the lifetime of any person now living. In the year 1889 this country imported 2,762,202,369 pounds of sugar at an average cost per pound, in the countries from whence it was imported of 3.21 cents a pound. The entire production of Louisiana amounted to 324,526,781 pounds. The duty alone on the imported sugar amounted to \$54,896,437. During the same year we imported 27,024,551 gallons of molasses, while the domestic product was 5,347,960 gallons. In 1890 this country sent to Germany in round numbers 16 million dollars for sugar produced by beet which might just as well have been sent home and the money have been used at home. The last session of congress took special action to encourage the beet sugar industry by passing a law to pay a bounty of two cents a pound to the sugar manufacturers for an indefinite period of time. This bounty is estimated to insure at least \$4 an acre. In view of these facts the remarks of Consul H. F. Merritt, writing from Chemnitz, under date of October 1890 are very pertinent. It does not seem proper nor consistent that an agricultural country like the United States should be dependent for any article of a purely agricultural character on foreign countries, especially when the United States has fully one hundred times as much land adapted to the production of that article as is available in the country from which the article is imported. A closing remark we would again remind our readers that the CHRONICLE has received a fresh supply of sugar beet seed which it will be pleased to hand to all who may apply, as long as it lasts.

THE CHRONICLE "RAISES" THE GOVERNOR.

A Telegram reporter interviewed Governor Pennyroy about the contemplated appropriation for the world's fair and received the following answer:

He was not in favor of any appropriation, and he would not contribute one cent for an exhibit at Chicago; but if the people who wanted to do something for Oregon would raise \$50,000 for the aid of poor and struggling emigrants, who come here for an exhibit at Chicago, he would contribute \$1000 for that purpose.

The answer is a sample of genuine mawkishness and inaudible demagoguery. The governor is consistent however. What he would not allow the state to do he would not do himself. He would spend \$90,000 for a useless ornamentation of the capitol that will never benefit the state a quarter of a dollar but not a penny for advertising our resources where every dollar judiciously spent would give a thousand fold return. His offer to give a thousand dollars to "poor struggling emigrants" is a very safe one. The "strawberries" will go him "five thousand better" and be dead certain

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