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Weather Forecast. Forecast till 8 P. M. Tuesday: For Northern California--Fair weather; cooler.

THE TROUBLE WITH CHILE.

Just at this time there is a good deal of talk about the probabilities of war with Chile. It is certain that there is great activity in naval circles and that naval officers on this coast have been inspecting merchant steamers and tugs to ascertain their usefulness if needed for war.

In the case of one tug, now nearly completed at San Francisco, the Government has asked the owner to name his price for the boat, and he has done so. This looks as if the Government officials at Washington consider the situation grave enough to warrant preliminary steps to be taken, to ascertain what strength we could put afloat off the coast of Chile in the event of war.

If the Chilean Government should decline to withdraw its offensive note, or should refuse an open investigation of the case of the Baltimore's sailors, there is little doubt that war will ensue. The belief may still be entertained that the new Chilean Government will not hazard measuring arms with the United States, for the new President must know that in such a struggle the result will be disastrous to Chile.

The latest advice is that the Secretary of State expresses the belief that a satisfactory settlement will be arrived at, and that statesmanship, the highest office of which is to prevent war, will achieve a triumph of that order. At present our attitude is not one conducive of national pride. We sent to Chile a respectful and dignified protest and a request for open investigation of the Baltimore affair.

The Naval Board of the Baltimore and San Francisco concluded its open investigation inside of ten days after the occurrence and reported the facts to the authorities at Washington.

We submit that this state of facts does not reflect credit upon the United States. War is not desired; at the very best it is awful to contemplate. It means the killing of human beings, the interruption of commerce, augmented debt and a fevered state of the public pulse.

The almost unanimous opinion of the people of the United States is, that while it is the right of the Chilean Government to investigate according to the law of the place, a secret inquiry at which neither the Government of their nativity, nor the friends of the murdered men can be represented or confronted the witnesses, is not such an inquiry as will be satisfactory if the finding is against us.

In the first place the inquisitorial proceeding is not the usual method; if the affair was but a street brawl between drunken sailors and civilians of Chile, the ordinary open door proceeding of the Valparaiso Police Court would be the method employed, and the inquiry would have been pushed to judgment, as in other cases, within a few days while the witnesses could be easily reached, and while all the facts were fresh in memory.

In the second place solicitude would, in ordinary cases, be shown to pursue the truth and punish the offenders where the acts involved the friendly relations of two Governments, and in the meantime the Government of the place would voluntarily express its regret that such a tragedy as the murder of the sailors of a friendly power had taken place upon its soil.

But in this instance there has been no open investigation, no opportunity to see and know who are the witnesses examined, or to note what false swearing may have been indulged in, or to what extent, if any, the United States sailors have been misrepresented. Time, meanwhile, of unconscionable length has elapsed and full opportunity been given for important witnesses to escape and pass beyond the possibility of recall, and there is very much evident to support the theory that this delay has been purposeful. Lastly, the Chilean Government has not expressed regret that such a tragedy was enacted upon her soil.

Under the circumstances, therefore, it is submitted that the United States Government has been more than kind, forbearing and patient towards a weaker power, and that the limits of magnanimity have been exceeded.

"TWO OF A KIND."

Fishermen report that the carp are taking care of the catfish by eating the small fry of the latter. This fact added to the demand for the catfish as food, especially by the Chinese, who have for a special liking, removes at least to some considerable extent the fear that has been entertained of undue multiplication of this fish in our waters.

But what is to take care of the carp? A few years ago this fish was industriously introduced into our streams and lakes. A good many people prepared ponds and went into the business of cultivating the carp and for a time the belief was entertained that a profitable industry had been inaugurated. But now the carp is despised. It is found that it feeds on all manner of filth; that it is more than a hog among fishes; that it is not good food, its flesh being soft, tasteless and the least nutritious. It has so multiplied in our waters that it has become a positive nuisance. It swarms in the streams so thickly that as the fish die off the carp bodies make the waters foul. Last summer the dead fish--all carp--floated in the Sacramento in such numbers that a boat could not be pulled up or down stream five rods without the carrion colliding with the oars. On the north bank above the city these festering carcasses lined the shores for a long distance, in some places a foot deep, washed up by the waves made by passing steamers.

The carp put into the Spring Valley reservoir below San Francisco became so thick, and the dead fish so polluted the waters, that seals have been introduced in the hope that they will thin out the nuisance by eating them. But the seal never finishes a fish and the half-eaten carcasses of carp have to be raked out. Draining the reservoir will probably be necessary to abate the nuisance.

The carp, furthermore, destroys the food of water game birds, and ducks and other water fowl are being driven to new feeding grounds. Apparently, there is nothing in the streams and lakes that can work diminution of the carp, which is now so plentiful as to greatly incommode the regular fishermen and much increase their labors. It was a black day for California waters when the carp was introduced, and it will be a good day for the State when the last carp disappears from our lakes and streams. But what is to work this deliverance for us?

The English sparrow is another nuisance. A single pair brought from a South Sea island twenty years ago is now represented in California by millions of these robber birds. They drive off the song birds; they make the life of the gardener miserable; they swarm in the streets and yards. They are audacious birds and fear nothing. In some trees of this city at night they fairly load down the branches. Here they may be netted, possibly, and thus we may free ourselves from a portion of the nuisance. But who is to do it? The cat is the enemy of the sparrow. It manages to "get away" with a good many of the brown-coated robbers. Shall we cultivate cats in greater numbers? We fear the remedy would not sufficiently rid us of the nuisance.

In Ohio the little saucy sparrow has become so great a plague that the Legislature has put a price upon his head, and the taxpayers have to foot the bills for his funeral. Possibly we may come to that pass in California. We are in need of a prophet just now, to rise up and point the way to deliverance from carp and sparrow.

NOTE AND COMMENT. The Oakland Tribune has just issued a holiday edition of forty pages which is highly creditable. It contains articles from a large number of the literary favorites of the Pacific Coast, interesting personal sketches of prominent people and fragments of local history, all presented in attractive style.

The Santa Rosa Republican publishes a very handsome ten-page holiday edition.

LOGGING IN EL DORADO. The American River Company Preparing for Big Work.

The Placerville Democrat says that Colonel Cummings, Superintendent of the American River Land and Lumber Company, and his foreman, G. W. Marsh, are perhaps the busiest men in this county. They are now concentrating their forces at the head of their works near the mouth of Slab Creek. The new wagon road is about completed to that point, and the bridge, which is already framed, will soon be thrown across the river, when the laying of track will be prosecuted as rapidly as possible, and every hour of reasonably good weather will be taken advantage of for the rapid advancement of the work.

They are building several boats at their shops in Placerville, which are of great strength. One just completed is thirty-two feet long, which Mr. Marsh says will safely carry two tons from Slab Creek to the Folsom boom. From its looks one would suppose it to be impossible to either capsize or break it.

There is several feet of snow in the mountains, which the Colonel is watching with considerable interest, looking upon that as a big reservoir.

An Unexpected Answer. "And, ladies and gentlemen," roared the temperance lecturer, "what has filled more graves than whiskey?" "Doctors," squeaked a still, small voice in the back part of the hall.--Detroit Free Press.

Her Mistake. "I have been requested to lay the cornerstone of the new chicken-house," said the hen, proudly.

"Pshaw!" replied the rooster; "what do you take yourself for, a Plymouth Rock?"

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Special Notices.

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE National Bank of D. O. Mills & Co., at Sacramento, in the State of California, at the close of business, 24th December, 1891.

RESOURCES. Loans and discounts, \$1,200,378 50; Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, 112,088 74; U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 86,872 00; Stocks, securities, etc., 112,673 32; Due from approved reserve agents, 250,222 92; Due from other National Banks, 7,328 12; Due from State banks and bankers, 158,977 15; Banking-houses, furniture and fixtures, 50,000 00; Other real estate and mortgages owned, 11,000 00; Current expenses and taxes paid, 22,171 45; Premiums on U. S. Bonds, 6,082 50; Cash and other cash items, 22,734 61; Bills of other banks, 8,500 00; Fractional paper currency, notes and coins, 72 75; Specie, 418,261 20; Redemption Fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation), 2,250 00; Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent. redemption fund, 1,500 00; Total, \$2,021,659 39

LIABILITIES. Capital stock paid in, \$500,000 00; Surplus fund, 10,000 00; Undivided profits, 86,872 00; National Bank notes outstanding, 49,500 00; Individual deposits subject to check, 1,005,272 42; Demand certificates of deposit, 682,911 33; Certified checks, 55 00; Cashier's checks outstanding, 11,171 00; Due to other National Banks, 1,740 25; Due to State banks and bankers, 187,651 10; Total, \$2,021,659 39

State of California, County of Sacramento-- ss, FRANK MILLER, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. FRANK MILLER, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of December, 1891. (SEAL) JAMES E. MILLS, Notary Public.

Corrected Attest: CHAS. F. DILLMAN, N. PRENTISS SMITH, Directors. EDGAR MILLS, Secy.

NOTICE.

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