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POINTERS AND SETTERS.

Opening Meeting of the Field Trials at Bakersfield.

LARGE NUMBER OF SPORTSMEN IN ATTENDANCE.

Sonoma and Vicinity Visited by a Terrific North Wind, Causing Considerable Damage to Trees, Fences and Outbuildings—Burglars Tap the Safe of a Portland Firm, Securing Sixteen Hundred Dollars for Their Trouble.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

BAKERSFIELD, Jan. 18.—The annual trials of the Pacific Coast Field Trial Club opened to-day under the most favorable auspices. The attendance of sportsmen was greater than at any previous meeting. The weather was delightful and the birds plentiful. The people of Bakersfield and vicinity always exert themselves to make the visit of the sportsmen pleasant, hence the members of the club and owners of fine bird dogs find a week of the keenest sport here once a year.

The country is perfectly level, and the cover light, which enables all who desire to witness the trials to ride and see the work of the dogs.

Among the prominent sportsmen present from abroad are: T. D. Atherton of San Francisco, S. A. Blythe of Tulare, H. G. Boyce of Vacaville, J. M. Bassford, Jr., of Vacaville, W. C. Brown of San Francisco, Howard Black of San Francisco, H. P. Dunaway of Merced, M. G. Eshman of Los Angeles, W. J. Golcher of San Francisco, J. W. Harper of Suisun, H. Huber of San Francisco, M. Harlem of San Francisco, Thomas Higgs of San Francisco, E. Hahn of San Francisco, Andrew Jackson of San Francisco, Wm. G. Kerckhoff of Los Angeles, C. W. Kyle of San Francisco, Allen Kelly of San Francisco, A. H. Kerckhoff of Los Angeles, J. M. Kilgarif of San Francisco, H. J. Kilgarif of Sacramento, R. Liddle and wife of San Francisco, P. D. Linville of San Francisco, J. B. Marshall of San Francisco, J. R. Miller of San Francisco, C. N. Post of Sacramento, H. T. Payne of Los Angeles, Dr. Phillips of Stockton, John Quiggles of Galt, R. Ringrose of San Francisco, G. B. Sperry of Stockton, S. Talmadge of Santa Rosa, A. B. Truman of San Francisco, E. B. Tufts of Los Angeles, R. T. Vandervoost of Pasadena, Dr. Wallace of Stockton, W. H. Waliace of Tulare, E. B. Willis and N. E. White of Sacramento, T. J. Watson of San Francisco.

The Judges are R. T. Vandervoost of Pasadena, D. M. Pyle of Bakersfield, and H. T. Payne of Los Angeles.

Owing to a delay in the arrival of some of the officers of the club the dogs to run in the derby were not drawn until this morning, which delayed the opening of the trial several hours. The first brace put down were Kerkendoff's black, white and tan setter, Sam K. Gladstone, and Linville's black, white and tan setter, Dottie Day. The birds were wild and moved in large covies and sought the willow thickets, where the dogs could not be seen much of the time. Both were very fast and pretty workers. In the more open ground better work was done and several good points made. Of these Gladstone got three and Dottie two, the other qualities being about equal. The former won. The dogs were down one hour and ten minutes. Sam Gladstone was handled by D. M. Walters and Dottie by William Demott.

The next brace put down were P. D. Linville's black and white setter, Flake L., and W. J. Golcher's pointer, Del Monte. The former was handled by DeMott and the latter by George T. Allender. Both dogs were very fast and wide rangers, but Flake showed the most stamina, holding her speed throughout. She made the most points and was awarded the heat. The dogs were down one hour.

The third brace were J. M. Barney's pointer Ottilie and T. J. Watson's setter Alice Gladstone. The former was handled by Allender and the latter by DeMott. This was a very speedy pair—in fact, all the dogs thus far had shown more speed than nose, causing them to cash in among the birds that should have been scented and pointed. Fewer points were made than in the former heats, but Alice had the best of it after working forty minutes, and was awarded the heat.

The fourth pair were T. J. Watson's setter Starlight and Charles Studarus' pointer Rush Croxteth. The former was handled by DeMott and the latter by its owner. Starlight was a fast and beautiful worker, quartering the ground nicely, while the pointer was slow and lacking in style. It looked as though the pointer would not be in it, but, to the surprise of all, he found and pointed bird after bird, while the setter dashed about through the cover like a blue streak, but doing nothing except to make one point and back rush one of his points. The dogs were down half an hour.

This ended the first series of the derby. To-morrow the winners of to-day will go against one another in the second and third series, over the same grounds.

AN EYE TO BUSINESS.

A Stocktonian Takes Everything in Sight But a Redhot Stove.

STOCKTON, Jan. 18.—Saturday last an old man was arrested for stealing wheat, but he pleaded that he was moving it for his employer, and he was discharged. In the examination it was learned that his name was Frame. The police found his house of four rooms filled with all kinds of goods. He said he bought everything, and as he had a deposit of $1,300 in a San Francisco bank, the officers decided to make inquires before arresting him for burglary. He worked all night carting stuff out of the house, and left here Sunday morning with two trunks filled with plunder. He was picked up in San Francisco by a police officer on a statement made by a Stocktonian, who said he had stolen the goods in his possession. Chief Crowley telegraphed that he had Frame, but an answer was returned yesterday that he was not wanted. But he is wanted to-day, for about fifty claimants have appeared for the lost articles which the police have recovered from Frame's storehouse.

It was learned to-day that the old man had articles which were stolen three years ago, and men who employed him to do odd jobs identified the property which he carried away. From the extensive assortment of stuff it is apparent that he stole anything movable. Among the stuff recovered are provisions, clothing, tools of all kinds, pistols, blankets, shoes, a sledge hammer, a valise, washtubs, saws, cans of paint, chickens and fancy birds, cases of coal oil, cases of plug tobacco, kegs of fish, crowbars, brackets, leather and rags. The police headquarters looks like a junk-shop.

PETALUMA NOTES.

An Aged German Dies While Milking Cows.

PETALUMA, Jan. 18.—George Peters, a German about 60 years old, living on the old Mundy ranch, in Vallejo Township, while milking cows yesterday afternoon suddenly died. When discovered a few minutes later he was still sitting on his stool, as if milking, with his bucket of milk in front of him.

Another creamery is to be built and operated by dairymen about Bloomfield. It is said it will soon be commenced. This will make four creameries within a radius of fifteen miles of Petaluma.

The machinery of the new boot and shoe manufactory recently moved here from San Francisco is about all up in place, and the work of manufacturing will commence the first of next month.

THREATENED RETALIATION.

New York Nurserymen Seeking Revenge Against Californ a.

SAN JOSE, Jan. 18.—The *Mercury* will to-morrow print a long article regarding the destruction of imported Eastern fruit trees by the California Horticultural Commission, to prevent the importation of pests. A letter has been received from Jackson & Perkins, nurserymen of Newark, N. Y., in which threats are made of a combination of Eastern nurserymen to bring influence to bear on Congress to procure the removal of the tariff duties on raisins, apricots, prunes and other fruits raised in California. This is to be done as a revenge for California's protecting herself against Eastern fruit pests. The *Mercury* declines to believe such a plan could succeed.

Vincent's Case in the Supreme Court.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—To-day the Supreme Court heard argument of counsel in the case of Dr. F. A. Vincent, convicted and sentenced to death for the murder of his wife at Fresno in December. The names of the jurors drawn to try Vincent were not taxpayers, and they were discharged, and the Deputy Sheriff was ordered to select others. In doing so he chose nineteen of those who had been selected at first. From that venire the men who convicted Vincent of murder were selected. Vincent's attorney appeared before the Supreme Court and presented the facts as stated above, and intimated that the Deputy Sheriff was disqualified from acting, by reason of bias against his client. The attorney advanced points to test the legality of the death penalty. Both sides filed briefs, upon which appeal was submitted.

A Traveling Man Shot.

MERCED, Jan. 18.—Charles Schlageter, proprietor of the Mariposa Hotel at Mariposa, is reported as having shot a traveling man on Sunday afternoon while intoxicated. Schlageter was released on a $6,000-bond. Neither the extent of the injuries of the man shot nor his name can be learned. Schlageter is a prominent citizen.

Decided in Favor of the Company.

CORVALLIS (Or.), Jan. 18.—In the case of the Willamette Valley and Coast Railway against the Sheriff of Benton County, to enjoin the collection of taxes, Judge Pypes to-day decided that the law exempting the company from taxation was constitutional, and made the injunction perpetual. The case will undoubtedly be appealed to the Supreme Court.

Oregon Horse-Breeders Organize.

PORTLAND, Jan. 18.—A number of breeders of trotting horses in Western Oregon met in this city to-day and organized the Northern Pacific Trotting and Pacing Breeders' Association. Van B. DeLashmutt of Portland was elected President.

Infected Trees.

STOCKTON, Jan. 18.—The Board of Supervisors to-day passed an ordinance, recommended by the horticultural officers, making it a misdemeanor for anyone to knowingly have on his land infected trees or vines.

Terrific North Wind.

SONOMA, Jan. 18.—A terrific north wind blew here last night, uprooting trees, carrying away fences and outbuildings, completely drying up roads and otherwise obliterating all traces of the recent heavy rainstorm.

Water Question in Vallejo.

VALLEJO, Jan. 18.—The City Trustees of Vallejo will next week call an election to vote on the question of bonding the city for $25,000 to create water-works to be owned by the city.

Safe Robbery.

PORTLAND (Or.), Jan. 18.—The safe of S. Lipman & Co. was broken into last night by burglars, who obtained about $1,000 in cash. A large number of checks were left undisturbed.

A BRILLIANT AFFAIR.

California Pioneers Hold a Banquet at Chicago.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—The Western Association of California Pioneers this evening celebrated the forty-third anniversary of the discovery of gold in California with a banquet, to which were invited members of the Mexican Veteran Association. The affair was a brilliant one, and the crowd was large and joyous. The evening was spent in speech-making, recounting old experiences, etc. Previous to the banquet officers were elected. Charles H. Jackson, now absent in Europe, was unanimously reelected President. Vice-President Addison Ballard presided at to-night's jollification, one of the notable features of which was the absence of wines. A letter was read from the absent President proposing a toast to the memory of Marshall, Sutter, and General Bidwell; to the memory of the deceased first President of the society, J. Ward Ellis, and to the memory of the prospectors and workers who aided in developing the resources of California.

Lousiana Republicans.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 18.—The Republican State Convention met to-day to nominate State officers. The report of the Committee on Credentials was adopted to-night without serious opposition. Half a dozen delegates, in sympathy with the Warmouth faction, withdrew. State Senator Gage was selected as permanent Chairman, and in a speech declared that the Republican party is the only one through which the colored race could obtain a recognition of their rights.

A Savings Company Falls.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—The Security Loan any Savings Company Mortgage, Loan and Deposit Bank assigned this morning. A preliminary statement made this afternoon shows assets of $15,000 and liabilities of $16,000. The assignee thinks the liabilities will prove to be larger and the available assets smaller.

Passenger Train Wrecked.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 18.—Passenger train No. 3, from Chicago, on the Northwestern and Omaha road, was derailed this morning near River Falls, while running fifty miles an hour. The sleeper went into a ditch, painfully injuring eight people, but none fatally.

Half a Dozen People Hurt.

FAYETTEVILLE (Ark.), Jan. 18.—A passenger train on the Frisco line was wrecked near here to-day and a half a dozen people painfully hurt. Two may die.

OTTAWA (Ont.), Jan. 18.—The Countess Dowager of Cairn died here to-day at the residence of her son, Hon. Octavius Lambert.

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Terrific Explosion in the Powder Mills at Central City, Ky.

NOT A VESTIGE OF THE ENTIRE PLANT REMAINS.

Thirty-Five Tons of Powder Explodes—The Country for Half a Mile Around Strewn With Fragments of the Buildings and the Bodies of Five Men, Victims of the Disaster.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

CATLETTSBURG (Ky.), Jan. 18.—The powder mills at Central City exploded this morning with terrific force. The sound was heard in Ironton, twenty-five miles away. The window-glass was broken in Catlettsburg.

This is the third explosion at the Phœnix Mill in three months, and the most destructive. The cause will never be known, as all the workmen in the mill were killed. It has been ascertained that the first explosion was in the glazing mill, where there were ten tons of powder. Successively, the packing-house, magazine, four wheel mills, and a car loaded with gunpowder went hurling in fiery fragments through the air. Not a vestige of the entire plant remains, and the country for half a mile around is strewn with fragments of the buildings and the bodies of five men, victims of the disaster.

It is not known definitely, but at the present writing it is believed that not less than thirty-five tons of powder were burned in the several explosions.

The killed are: Archie Livingston, a Scotchman, Superintendent of the mills, only his head being found; Ed Winton, architect and engineer, who built the works; John Benton, John Schlosser and Charles Scott, workmen; Robert Cook, glazing-mill hand, mortally injured. Seriously injured: Reece Estep and John Justice. Many others were slightly injured.

MY, BUT IT'S COLD.

Way Below Zero in the Northwest Region.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 18.—The Northwest had a baptism of frigidity last night. The mercury had little chance. It took a spirit thermometer to tell the icy tale. At half a dozen points to the northward it was forty or more degrees below zero, and all over this section it was the coldest for years. The indications are for still colder to-night. The minimum for this city last night was 21° below. The following are samples of below-zero points in the north: St. Vincent, 40°; Winnipeg, Qu'Appelle and Battle Ford, 44°; Fort Buford and Miles City, 40°; Medicine Hat, 36°; Moosehead, Huron and Bismarck, 34°, and North Platte, Neb., 24°.

DES MOINES (Ia.), Jan. 18.—It is intensely cold here. This morning it was 25° and to-night 30° below zero.

BLIZZARD IN TEXAS.

DALLAS (Tex.), Jan. 18.—A blizzard struck here last night. It rained all day yesterday, and at 3 o'clock this morning it began to sleet, the mercury dropping from 44° to 18°. At midnight it was 10° above zero, with indications that zero will be reached before morning. Dispatches from west and northwest of here say that a blizzard is prevailing of unprecedented severity, and it is apprehended that cattle will be frozen by the thousands.

TRAGEDY AT PEORIA.

Harry Johnson Shoots His Wife and Then Suicides.

PEORIA, Jan. 18.—Four months ago Lizzie La Force, a popular young lady, married Harry Johnson, both of this city. They took up their residence at Chicago, but after two months of married life he began to beat her and she returned to the home of her mother in this city. He followed her a week later, secured a position, and has since importuned her to again live with him. She refused. This evening he called at the house for the third time, but was denied admittance. After talking with her at the door for a few minutes about the weather, he drew a revolver and began shooting at her. He then fired a bullet into his right temple. He is dead, and the wife is fatally injured.

Another Subject for the Gallows.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 18.—A *Republic*, Lemar, special says: At Kenoma yesterday Robert Hopler, who had been drinking during the day, went to the house of Mrs. Goodly and murdered her, her boy, aged 16, and left for dead her daughter, aged 9. He then rifled the house of its valuables. He was arrested and lodged in jail here. Great excitement exists in the neighborhood where the crime was committed, and it is thought an attempt will be made to take him from jail.

Hopler profanely denies his guilt, but the little girl, who is improving, clearly fastens the crime on him. Late this evening he attempted suicide in jail by hanging himself with a rope made out of a blanket. He was not discovered until he had grown black in the face.

LATER.—Fearing summary vengeance, the Sheriff has taken him to Nevada, Mo.

Graves' Conviction.

DENVER (Col.), Jan. 18.—Counsel and friends of Dr. Graves assert that they have discovered important evidence in the doctor's favor. They say one of the prosecuting witnesses, whose name is withheld, told several persons, while under the influence of liquor, that he sent the bottle of poison to Mrs. Barnaby. Persons to whom he told this gave as a reason for not coming forward before and telling it, that they did not care to become mixed up in the case. It is expected that the appeal for a new trial will be argued before the Supreme Court on Wednesday.

World's Columbian Exposition.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The Special House Committee on Columbian Exposition met to-day and held quite a discussion with reference to the jurisdiction of the committee over matters relating to the Chicago World's Fair.

The Rules Committee is engaged in framing a permanent code of rules for the Fifty-second Congress and it is desired a rule shall be adopted by which the World's Fair Committee shall have jurisdiction over all questions relating to the fair.

Double Lynching.

FORT SMITH (Ark.), Jan. 18.—Deputy United States Marshal Liggett has just come in from the northern part of the State, where he has been chasing moonshiners, and corroborates the recently published report of a double lynching, which occurred in the mountains. Peter Baker, a farmer, was found murdered in his house. His wife and a man named Johnson left the country, but both returned a few days ago. The neighbors suspected them of putting Baker out of the way, and the couple were captured, lashed together, back to back, and then hanged by the same rope until dead.

Quay Libel Suit.

BEAVER (Penn.), Jan. 18.—The Quay-*Star* criminal libel suit begun this morning and great interest is felt in its progress. The attorneys for the prosecution are District Attorney Mechlem, J. M. Buchanan and W. H. S. Thompson, the last two being prominent Democratic leaders here, and J. Rankin Martin. Those for the defense are Dougherty, Robert Pitchie, Chairman of the Democratic County Committee, and Lewis Reed, all Democrats. The work of selecting a jury is now in progress.

Explosion of Natural Gas.

COLUMBUS (O.), Jan. 18.—A terrific explosion of natural gas, in which a fine residence was destroyed, two churches partially demolished and about fifty houses damaged, and in which the family of Judge John S. Brasse had a narrow escape from death, or serious injury, occurred this morning at Lancaster, Ohio. The house was leveled to the ground and its occupants hurled in different directions and slightly injured. The financial loss will be quite heavy.

The People's Party.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 18.—Chairman Taubeneck and other officers have called a meeting of the National Central Committee of the People's party at St. Louis on February 22d, for the purpose of uniting, if possible, this and all other so-called reform organizations. If satisfactory arrangements are made, the committee will call a National Convention not later that June 1st to nominate candidates for President and Vice-President.

A Flunk All Round.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Captain Williams of the Olympic Club of New Orleans is disgusted. To-day McAuliffe backed down flatly from his agreement to meet Billy Myer. Then later in the day Williams received a challenge from Sage in Dublin, telling him to take no notice of the cable sent Saturday; that Maher only wants to meet champions. This knocks out the Choynski-Maher fight, and makes a flunk all round.

Central American Mines Sold.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—The officers of the San Sebastian Gold Mining Company made a statement to-day that the mines, which are in Salvador, Central America, have been disposed of to an English syndicate headed by Sir John Morris. The company was incorporated in 1885 with a capital stock of $1,600,000. The officers say all the stockholders are in perfect accord with the deal.

Another of the Sims Gang Lynched.

MOBILE (Ala.), Jan. 18.—Harry Hinton, implicated by Bob Sims as a member of his gang, and captured two weeks ago, was taken from the jail by a mob and hanged to the tree upon which the other members of the gang met their death. Neal Sims, the only male member of the family now alive, was surrounded by a posse in a swamp last night, but escaped.

Accident to a Sleighing Party.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 18.—A Zelionople, Pa., special says: A bobsled, with a dozen young people in it, went over a 300-foot hill in Butler County last night and the entire party was injured. Elizabeth Merton, Miss Long and William Berry will probably die. The sled was demolished and the horses killed.

Controlling the Telegraph.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—A Montreal special says the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company, which, some years ago, entered into a contract to operate the Montreal and Dominion Telegraph companies for ninety-nine years, will hand over all its franchises to the Western Union Company, which will in future operate the two Canadian companies.

House Rules.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Notwithstanding the illness of the Speaker he has held a number of conferences with the Democratic members of the Committee on Rules and it is thought by members that the committee report can be made this week, probably not later than Thursday, on a code for the government of the House.

Whereabouts of Garza.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 18.—A *Times-Democrat* Laredo special says: It is learned from private sources that Garza and five or six followers are located at a point called Loma Prieto, on the line of Incenial and Dewal Counties, and if the authorities get down to business they can capture him.

Dry Goods Establishment Closed.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 18.—H. B. Claplin & Co. of New York caused the dry goods establishment of Weatherby & Stevens to be closed this afternoon. None of the parties will talk about the matter, but it is understood that Claplin & Co. have a large claim on the firm.

Jack, the Slasher.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Henry G. Dowd, the "Slasher," was arraigned this morning. He said he cut Miller in self-defense and denied the other crimes. He was held without bail. The Grand Jury has indicted him for assault in the first degree.

California Graduate Honored.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—A C. Miller, a graduate of the University of California, and Associate Professor of Political Economy and Finances in Cornell University, has accepted a similar position in the new University of Chicago.

Decision in Favor of the State.

MADISON (Wis.), Jan. 18.—Judge Newman to-day filed an opinion in the suits against ex-State Treasurers to recover interest on State money. The decision is favorable to the State, and orders the return of the principal and interest, in all about $600,000.

Quiet Among the Coal Miners.

NASHVILLE (Tenn.), Jan. 18.—The situation among the miners is quiet. The many sensational dispatches sent out from Coal Creek and other points upon investigation were found to have no foundation. No trouble is expected for the present, at least.

Big Price for a Sugar Company.

NEW YORK. Jan. 18.—Dow, Jones & Co.'s News Agency says: We hear the Harrison Frazier Sugar Company wants $10,000,000 for its property, and this price staggered the American Sugar Company, which was in negotiation for the purchase.

Not Guilty.

DETROIT, Jan. 18.—The trial of Billy Considine, considered the chief conspirator in the celebrated Perrien abduction case, terminated this evening with a verdict of not guilty. This was a great surprise to the public.

Against the Whisky Trust.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 18.—Wholesale liquor houses in this and other cities, representing $6,000,000, have organized an association for protection against the whisky trust.

A Lake County Postmaster.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—J. P. Stockwell has been appointed Postmaster at Highland Springs, Lake County, vice H. S. Jackson, resigned.

THE WAR CLOUD.

Great Activity Still Displayed in Naval Circles.

WORK BEING PUSHED AT THE MARE ISLAND YARDS.

The Former Charge d'Affaires at Washington Under the Balmaceda Government Says the Chileans Will Fight to the Last Extremity Should Hostilities Once Begin—The Cruiser Charleston Still at San Diego.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The Navy Department to-day is still a scene of great activity. Secretary Tracy had frequent consultations with his bureau chiefs, and outward signs denote a great deal of work being done.

The greatest activity prevails in the Bureau of Naval Intelligence, the agents of which are said to have been at work on the plan for a possible campaign, beside collecting all imaginable information from abroad. Through this bureau the Secretary has kept himself thoroughly informed on the movements of the agents of Chile, who, it is rumored, for some time have been ransacking Europe for war material.

The comprehensive operations now conducted by the department are largely for the purpose of ascertaining just what the naval system can accomplish in the event of hostilities.

The President to-day denied himself to all visitors and worked on his Chilean correspondence. He is preparing his message to Congress. It is still the belief the message and correspondence will be sent to Congress Wednesday.

The Secretary of State was unable to leave his house to-day, because of an attack similar to that of one week ago. He recovered from it soon, however. The Chilean Minister had an interview with him lasting an hour.

A rumor circulated to the effect that the Chilean Minister has notified this Government that an apology from Chile will be forthcoming could not be confirmed.

Colonel Remy, Naval Judge-Advocate-General, who has been conducting the investigation into the Baltimore case at San Francisco, is expected to return to this city to-morrow or Wednesday with the concluding portion of the testimony.

Secretary Tracy this afternoon cabled Commander Evans of the Yorktown, at Valparaiso, instructing him to take the Balmacedist refugees, now under his protection, to Callao, Peru, and land them there, and to use his discretion as to the time of departure. The departure of the Yorktown from Valparaiso would leave the United States without a single naval vessel in Chilean waters, the Boston being at Callao. The Yorktown could hardly make the trip and return in less than a week. As Captain Evans is vested with full discretion, it is not regarded likely that he will leave Valparaiso until he is relieved by another vessel, or is thoroughly satisfied that the condition of affairs in Chile justified him in leaving the United States Minister without means of getting out of that country in the event circumstances made it desirable or necessary to do so. Therefore, it is regarded as probable that the Boston will be sent to Valparaiso, although at the Navy Department it is asserted that no orders bearing on this subject have been sent.

WORK BEING PUSHED.

VALLEJO, Jan. 18.—If appearances count for anything, the Navy Department is losing no time in fitting out vessels for immediate dispatch to Chile, should occasion require it. The steam engineering gang worked yesterday, and began again at 8 o'clock this morning. Attention is being paid to work on the Baltimore, and not a single hour is being lost in preparing her to get away. She cannot possibly leave the yard under a week, but is in stream and receiving coal supplies. A significant fact was learned to-day. Shortly after the Baltimore arrived at the yard each gun was provided with sixty rounds of ammunition. This has just been increased to 100 rounds. Workmen are on board and her machinery is rapidly receiving a thorough overhauling. Her main battery is carefully looked after and her guns are being regulated for concentration of fire. The Navy Department can also be credited with looking after the defense of the harbor of San Francisco.

For the first time in years workmen have taken themselves to the monitor Comanche, and her machinery is being overhauled. Orders to dock the monitor have been countermanded, but it is believed she will go into the dock at the earliest possible moment. The orders are believed to have been countermanded owing to the expected arrival of the Charleston, and she will receive attention first.

The officers of the yard are displeased with sensational reports regarding the Baltimore having been injured by going aground. She was not damaged in the least, and the statement that she ran on a rocky ledge is entirely without foundation. The officials at the yard are somewhat reticent about matters pertaining to the expected war. It is not disputed that the drydock is to be kept for the Charleston, and her coming is expected hourly. She will be floated in at once, and her wants attended to. The general opinion here is that the Government proposes to have every vessel made ready as quickly as possible, and there appears to be some foundation for the statement that steam will be gotten up on the monitor Comanche. If such proves to be the case, it will be the first time in nearly twenty years. The opinion is that the department evidently means business. Forty-eight hours will be sufficient time to do all that is necessary on the Comanche.

The Comanche is a single-turreted monitor, with two 15-inch smooth-bore guns. The wooden corvette Mohican is in the stream, her repairs having been completed. Unconfirmed reports say she has received orders to proceed at once to Panama. A large force of men are at work on the Adams and Ranger.

Machinists and coppersmiths worked overtime on the Baltimore Sunday. To-day the ship is taking on 1,000 tons of coal from barges alongside of her in the stream.

WORK ON THE MONTAUK.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 18.—The work of pumping out the great drydock at the League Island Navy Yard, preparatory to the examination of the bottom of the monitor Montauk, was begun this morning. This will consume two or three days. A force of men sufficient to equip the vessel for sea in less than three weeks has been put to work. Captain Coughlin, the Acting Commandant at League Island, says the monitor could be equipped for sea in one week if necessity required it.

WHAT CHILE WOULD DO IN CASE OF WAR.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—George Asta-Burnaga, Charge d'Affaires of the Chilean Legation in Washington during Balmaceda's Administration, states the torpedoes shipped to Chile, which Admiral Walker cabled from Montevideo were on their way to their destination, were ordered by Balmaceda during his supremacy, and paid for by money shipped from Chile in a British man-of-war. They were intended for operations against the insurgents and not against the United States. While he deprecates war, he says the Chileans will fight to the last extremity if hostilities once begin. English and German influence, he thinks, will be brought to bear strongly on Chile in the interest of peace.

The statement that this lot of torpedoes was ordered before the trouble with this Nation arose is corroborated by a prominent official at the War Department, who says time has not elapsed since the beginning of the unpleasantness sufficient to allow of a contract for so many torpedoes to be closed and the goods to be finished and shipped.

REPORTED FIRING UPON THE YORKTOWN.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—A rumor was in circulation here to-night that the Yorktown had been fired upon in the harbor of Valparaiso by Chileans. It caused great excitement for a while, and frequent calls were made on the Associated Press to ascertain if there was any truth in it. When the story was reported to Secretary Tracy he treated it very lightly. He added that he had no news to communicate to the press to-night.

CHILE WILL NOT BACK DOWN.

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 18.—Authentic advices from reliable sources in Chile state that among the common people of that country the talk is that war will result. The Chileans have no idea that their Government will back down or retract any word or act. They consider themselves strong, and expect additional strength from England. They agree that the United States navy is able to wipe their vessels off the face of the ocean, but they doubt not their ability to secure recognition from England, or to secure some of England's warships by purchase. If the informant is correct, representatives of the Chilean Government are now in England working on both propositions.

According to orders received to-day the cruiser Charleston will sail on Tuesday or Wednesday for San Francisco. She is simply awaiting the arrival of the new paymaster and surgeons.

Dr. J. D. Parker arrived this evening from Philadelphia and reported to Admiral Brown that he will go with the Charleston. The paymaster was expected last night, but as he did not arrive he will be here on Tuesday. The Charleston will then proceed at once to Mare Island. How long she will remain there is not known.

THE ATTACK ON THE SAILORS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—Captain Wm. H. Jenkins of the American steamship Keweenaw was to-day examined by Judge Remy as to his knowledge of the attack on the Baltimore's sailors in Valparaiso on October 16th last. The Keweenaw was at Valparaiso at the time. Captain Jenkins testified that he was eating dinner at a hotel in the fashionable part of the city on the evening of the 16th of October, when he heard the shouts of a mob outside. He ran out and found the mob attacking a Baltimore sailor. The man tried to enter the gate of the Intendencia, but was repulsed by the sentries, who crossed their muskets and barred his way. The mob then knocked the sailor down and beat him. The police afterward arrested him.

Captain Jenkins continued as follows: "I returned to the hotel and sat looking out of the window with a lady, when we saw a Baltimore sailor come running into the square pursued by the mob, who were stoning him. One overtook him and knocked him down in the gutter. Another then picked up a paving stone, and, raising it high above his head, brought it down on the prostrate body. The heavy stone struck the sailor on the shoulder, knocking the man stiff. It was the most cruel thing I ever saw. The lady with me fainted at the sight. The police came up and carried the insensible body away."

The Captain declares that he had seen on the day of the assault about twenty Baltimore sailors on shore, and all appeared sober. Those he saw attacked were certainly sober.

CHILE MAY STRIKE THE FIRST BLOW.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—A Washington dispatch printed here states that Captain Evans has reported to the department that four of the best cruisers in the Chilean navy will leave Valparaiso January 20th for the Straits of Magellan, with torpedo boats besides. From another officer comes additional information that the Captain of one of the English ships of war in those waters said that the Chilean commander informed him that the fleet was going on a special mission. "You may be astonished before long," he said.

This news is interpreted to mean that Admiral Walker's fleet may be halted there and directed to turn back or run the risk of a fight. This is the most serious indication of Chile's hostile intentions the Navy Department has received. Naval officers say it can only mean one thing, which is that Chile intends opening the ball herself. The vessels to go are said to be the Esmeralda, Almirante Cochrane, Pinto, a new unarmored cruiser whose sailing rate is nineteen knots, and the Condell, the torpedo boat that blew up the Blanco Encalada.

Admiral Walker in his flagship Chicago arrived at Montevideo on January 11th. He was to-day informed of what might await him and warned to make ready for it. For the first time there is real alarm here at the threatening danger to Admiral Walker. His squadron is not equipped with torpedoes and the Chicago might be blown up in spite of the utmost vigilance. It would be a daring and plucky attempt, but so was the successful attempt on the Blanco Encalada.

Captain Evans also informed the department that he is taking most extreme precautions on account of what he has been told for the safety of the Yorktown. He does not intend to be blown out of the water if he can help it.

NEWSPAPER ATTACKS UPON EGAN.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—A *Herald's* Valpariso special says: The Chilean Government had knowledge of the departure of the Balmacedan refugees from the American Legation to the Yorktown, and ordered detectives to guard the passage of the refugees from the railroad depot to the steamer. Despite this and other facts the Government feigns not to have known officially of Carer's departure.

Violent attacks upon Minister Egan continue in the local papers, at the instance of Thompson of the London *Times*. Notwithstanding promises made to Egan and British Minister Kennedy by Minister Perera that such attacks should cease in the paper controlled by Minister of Finance Verezara, telegrams are constantly passing between the British Minister and Admiral Hotham, dilating upon the state of affairs. Rumors are heard on all sides of a ministerial cricis, but nothing definite is ascertained. It is probably the Cabinet will be changed, so as to have it formed altogether of Liberals.

Three Chilean roughs, found guilty in the Fiscal's report, applied to Judge Foster to appoint an advocate to make a plea in their behalf. One was appointed. Upon this advocate presenting a defense, the Judge will pass sentence.

THE CHARLESTON.

SAN DIEGO, Jan. 18.—The Charleston is still here and is not expected to leave before Tuesday morning.

General D. F. Coon has opened a recruiting office here for the First Brigade of Volunteers.

Regulating Emigration.

BERLIN, Jan. 18.—The German Government is preparing a bill to regulate emigration. It is intended chiefly to restrict the activity of agents, who will be prohibited from carrying emigrants at the expense of foreign States.

Cut His Mother-in-Law's Throat.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 18.—As the result of a family quarrel, John Thompson cut his mother-in-law's throat and seriously wounded his wife to-night. The murderer was arrested. The parties are colored.

IN FOREIGN LANDS.

Preparations for the Queen's Visit to Coste Belle.

THE PARTY TO CONSIST OF SIXTY PERSONS.

The Collapse of a Bridge at Tiplis, Russia, Causes Many People to be Crushed to Death, a Number to be Drowned and the Injury of Several Others—Military Funeral of the Duke of Clarence to be Abandoned, on Account of the Epidemic of Influenza.

Special to the RECORD-UNION.

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—Yates' letter to the *Tribune* from London says: The two hotels which have been engaged for the Queen's occupation during her stay at Coste Belle are to be ready on March 15th. The Queen will occupy the first floor of the Hotel Coste Belle. The drawing-room and large private sitting-rooms all look to the south, but the bedroom has a northern aspect, in accordance with her own special instructions. The paper is to be taken off the walls of the bedroom. They are to be lime washed in light blue, while the bed and other furniture will be sent from Windsor. Princess Beatrice and Prince Henry of Battenberg are to occupy the same floor of the hotel, where Lady Churchill and Sir Henry Ponsonby and a few personal servants will be accommodated. The waiting-room for Sir Henry is to be arranged in immediate proximity to the Queen's own sitting-room. Messengers from London are to arrive and depart daily during her visit. There will be sixty persons in the royal party, and several of the suite, as well as the servants, are to stay in the Hotel Ermitage.

The Duke of Clarence's death will probably settle a question which has been much debated of late as to his brother remaining in the naval service under the altered circumstaces. It is not likely that Prince George will ever go to sea again as an officer on the active list, and perhaps it is hardly to be expected that he should, but he will be a decided loss to the navy.

Directly after the meeting of Parliament addresses of condolence to the Queen on the death of the Duke will be given in both houses—in the House of Lords by Lord Salisbury and Lord Kimberly and in the Commons by Balfour and Gladstone.

The German Emperor has, through Colonel Giese, signined his intention of spending a portion of the summer or early autumn at Aix-la-Chapelle, and the municipal authorities are already busy with plans for his reception and accommodation. The Imperial train, which has just been completed for the German Emperor and sent to Potsdam for approval, has cost the Prussians nearly 4,000,000 marks and has occupied more than three years in construction. Its eleven carriages, connected by corridors, include a study, hung with real gobelin tapestry from Charlottenberg; the saloon is upholstered in white satin; the reception-room is adorned with marble statuary and oak. There is also a dining-room, kitchen and bedrooms for several guests. There is nothing like it in the world, and a great many of the details have been planned by the Emperor himself.

The King of the Belgians is extremely anxious to attend the Duke of Clarence's funeral in person, but the Queen's strong opposition to his undertaking the journey during an unlucky month prevailed, and it was arranged that he should be represented by his son-in-law, Prince Philip of Coburg. Since the tragic death of Archduke Rudolph, only one state ball has taken place at the Belgian court, and the month of January is always regarded with the most gloomy anticipations by the Queen of the Belgians, who believes it will inevitably bring some misfortune or prove fatal to some member of the royal family or her own self. The Duke of Brabant, cousin of Prince Baldwin, and Archduke Rudolph died in January. On account of this fixed idea the King and Queen never travel or make any plans in January, and it was only on Wednesday that they finally decided to join the King and Queen of Wurtemburg in Flushing next month and thence proceed to England for the royal wedding, but within twenty-four hours they received a telegram from the Prince of Wales announcing his son's death.

Not long ago the Indian Office wisely passed an order whereby officers in the Indian army, who were properly qualified, will receive special facilities for the study of the Russian language in Russian territory. Already an officer in the Third Madras Light Infantry, Lieutenant Peuch, has proved how valuable a knowledge of this sort may prove. He was one of the first to qualify, and, being warned that it was hopeless to attempt the journey from the eastern end, started from England a few weeks ago, and, taking a train as far as Samarcund, managed to get through by way of Pamers into Northwest India. As luck would have it, he arrived just about the time of the arrest of Captain Younghusband, and from his knowledge of the Russian language was able to pick up a good deal of useful information which the other side would doubtless hvae been glad to keep to itself. The precedent is a plucky one, and no doubt it will be worthily followed up.

LATE DUKE OF CLARENCE.

Change Made in the Arrangements for the Funeral.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—The