

NICARAGUA CANAL. ADDRESS ISSUED THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. Congress Asked to Aid in the Completion of the Work—America Should Control the Canal.

Special to the Record-Union. SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—An address has been prepared by the committee of nine appointed by the State Nicaragua Canal Convention to arrange for the National Canal Convention at St. Louis next June. The address is signed by the full committee, Messrs. James G. Fair, A. P. Bacon, M. M. Ewing, C. H. Taylor, T. G. Phelps, William L. Merry, James A. Clayton, Marsden Manson and A. B. Butler, also by John T. Doyle, Chairman of the California Nicaragua Canal Convention. The text of the address is as follows:

To the American People: The State Nicaragua Canal Convention of 1883, which recently met in San Francisco, provided, among other things, for the appointment of an Executive Committee of nine, which committee is now endeavoring to prepare and publish an address to the American people, showing some of the reasons why the Nicaragua Canal should be built, why the Government should aid in its construction and control the work.

The committee thus provided for submits the following address: In this age of commercial activity, the United States must push its trade and commerce, or it will lose its foreign markets and suffer financial depression. The advantageous position of this canal ought to make it the first commercial nation of the world. Its peculiar location on the Western continent, its vast agricultural and mineral resources, its variety and quality of its productions, the extent of its territory, its coast line fronting on both oceans, and extending along each side of the continent for thousands of miles, the amount of its wealth, its great and increasing population and its free institutions, all combine, if rightly directed, in placing this Republic in the front rank among the commercial nations of the world.

But even when these advantages, if we would succeed commercially, we must overcome every physical obstruction to the quick, cheap and safe transportation to all foreign and home ports. And thus the question of the hour and the greatest problem of recent years is one of transportation. In the near future success or failure will depend more on cheap transportation by land and water than on the quality or quantity of the articles produced. Water transportation is the only competitor of railroads, and the shorter the water routes the greater and more effective the competition. Railroads now cross the continent, a distance of more than 3,000 miles, while the constructive portion of the Nicaragua Canal is less than twenty-six and one-half miles. The whole length of the canal including the navigable portion of the Nicaragua Lake and San Juan River is only 164 miles.

If the American people would make water transportation between the eastern and western side of the Continent a successful competitor to land transportation, the Nicaragua Canal must be constructed, and it should be built by American capital and controlled by the American people.

Commercially, nothing within the range of thought will accomplish so much for our country as the building of this great waterway. It will shorten the distance by sea between the two continents by about 10,000 miles, and from the Pacific Coast to Europe about 7,000 miles. It will create greater commercial possibilities between the different sections of our country, and it will largely increase our trade facilities with all foreign countries. It will make a competing route for transportation by water, which will neutralize the combinations of land transportation companies, and yet it will tend to increase the very business of the companies it competes with. It will bind together by the ties of common interest the States of the Union. It will open the commerce of the Pacific with the Valley of the Mississippi and the Gulf States and the far West will feel the vitalizing force of new and better markets for the products of the soil, because cheaper transportation by sea will increase prices and thus greatly benefit the interior and producing States of the Union, while the North and the East will grow strong under an increased demand for American shipping, and the manufacturing industries of those sections will be greatly benefited by an improved home and foreign market.

It will give renewed and stronger expression to an American policy of maintaining peace among nations by building up industries and creating trade and commerce.

But more than this, the defense of the Pacific States in time of war should demand the thoughtful patriotic consideration of the whole country. The Pacific Coast industries are now so large and varied, the population of that part of the Union so sparse, the distance around Cape Horn by sea so great, the long time required to reach there by water, the increasing needs of that part of the American Union, all point to the necessity, as a matter of national safety, the building of the Nicaragua Canal.

No more illustrious example of the fostering care which the most enlightened nations of our time give to the subject of trade and commerce can be found than in the increasing needs of that part of the American Union, all point to the necessity, as a matter of national safety, the building of the Nicaragua Canal. Let our Congress aid in this great work; not as a menace to foreign nations, but as a protection to our own country and blessing to all other countries, so that this canal, which is to be built across the American Continent, shall be built by American capital, and managed by the American people. And when completed it will unite, by the ties of commercial interest, all the great republics, giving greater stability and prosperity to each, inspiring confidence and insuring perpetual peace among all of them.

CIVIL SERVICE LAW. Charges of Violations by Baltimore Officials Being Investigated.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The House Committee on Reform in the Civil Service to-day began investigations into the alleged violation of the civil service law by Baltimore officials. The resolution recites the report of Civil Service Commissioner Roosevelt in May, 1891. The committee was directed to ascertain whether any or all the guilty officials were still in office, and whether they had been indicted or prosecuted. Postmaster-General Wainwright was the first witness. He said the Postmaster at Baltimore had asserted that injustice was done to the employees in Baltimore. Postmaster-General Wainwright was the first witness. He said the Postmaster at Baltimore had asserted that injustice was done to the employees in Baltimore. Representative Andrews wished to know why Postmaster Johnson had been reprimanded. "For allowing his

men to be in position of making statements that could not be expected." To Boatman the Postmaster-General said if the men were engaged in assessing each other, or in covering votes, these actions were certainly violations of law, but the men denied that they had done so.

Andrews asked the Postmaster-General if an employee who made one statement in April and another at a subsequent time, and who absolutely his former statements ought to be retained in office? Wainwright said he did not think any untruthful person ought to be employed.

He paid attention to the fact that nineteen of the men contended that they did not say the words attributed to them.

PRETTY SPEEDY TRAVELING. An Electric System That Will Propel Cars Two Miles a Minute.

NEW YORK, April 25.—Alfred Spear of Passaic believes that he has invented an electric railroad system over which he claims that cars will travel at the rate of two miles a minute. This speed can easily be increased, he says, if desirable. The road will consist of two steel rails laid on a high trestle. From these the cars will run on a row of stout iron frames hanging from axles on two wheels.

The car will be thirty-six feet long from end to end and four feet wide. There will be but one row of single seats, ten in number. These, with the aisle, will occupy all the space in the car. The electric motors will be supplied with electricity from a central station, and the rails will also be a rail near the bottom of the car to steady it. This will serve also to complete the circuit.

Cars will be dispatched one after another, like rockets, at intervals of five and ten minutes. They will, therefore, be ten or twenty miles apart. There will be signals along the line to indicate that the section ahead is clear. Mr. Spear has organized a stock company, which will build a section of track 3,000 feet long at Passaic. This will be removed to the World's Fair next year.

The inventor declares that a number of capitalists are ready to build a line between New York and Washington as soon as the Passaic line proves successful.

Oleomargarine Act. WASHINGTON, April 25.—The United States Supreme Court to-day held that there was no penalty imposed by the Oleomargarine Act upon dealers who refuse or neglect to keep books, and make monthly returns of receipts and sales of oleomargarine required by the regulations issued under the provisions of the act by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

The court says: "The matter cannot be made a legal offense by regulation of a department, unless Congress has intended to make liable to penalty dealers who neglect to keep the required books. It should have done so by direct enactment."

Behring Sea Arbitration Treaty. WASHINGTON, April 25.—Secretary Blaine intimates that the cost to the United States of carrying out the Behring Sea arbitration treaty, which was signed by the United States and Great Britain, will be \$150,000, and he, through the Secretary of the Treasury, to-day sent to the House of Representatives a request for an appropriation of this amount of money.

THE BOBBING PILLAR. Reason Why the Prophet Loved the People of Ulema. In the heart of Arabia Felix, in the valley of the palms, lies the village of Ulema, whose people were greatly beloved by the Prophet by reason of their exceeding innocence. It was they who, one night, emptied their fountain to obtain the silver plate which lay at the bottom of it—this silver plate being no more than the face of the moon reflected from the calm surface of the pool.

Now it so chanced that the village of Ulema was subject to yearly floods of the stream which flowed past it. Upon the banks of this stream stood a mighty pillar of stone, a relic of the past; and upon its smooth sides this pillar the floods, each year, left the dark impress of their high-water mark as they receded. And by this mark had the people of Ulema for countless generations estimated and measured the height of their yearly freshets.

One June there came a flood of wondrous magnitude. Many in the streets of the village; and when, behold, it had passed away, the people flocked about the stone pillar to see how high the waters had risen. "Lo, it is the biggest freshet we have ever had!" they shouted.

Came then a fakir of their tribe, a man of exceeding piety and integrity, and one accounted of great wisdom by the people of Ulema, by reason of his solemn look and confident assumptions of knowledge. "Fools!" he exclaimed. "I perceive that you abuse your minds by the very common error that everything rises and falls except the stone pillar. How know ye that it was not the pillar that sank down beneath the waters instead of the waters that rose upon the pillar?"

"How, indeed?" each of the people of the village humbly. "Henceforth we will measure the floods by the sands of the plain. It is not right that one should assign to this stone pillar the exclusive freshet-marking functions."

And it was with reason that the Prophet loved the people of Ulema for their great innocence.

Children Need Change. Mrs. Gladstone, wife of the British statesman, in the first of her valuable articles, "Hints from a Mother's Life," in the Ladies' Home Journal, says: "Children are the best for frequent changes of room; they have to spend the most of their time in the house, they require short intervals between their meals, will spend their play time from play to rest. The meals should be taken where there is no litter of toys; a quiet room is needed both for work and sleep. Let the children of the younger members of a family and to the gender sex means that by far the largest part of every day must be spent indoors, and half of it at least for the very young—in the bedroom. No attempt should ever be made to rear children in a single room. More danger lies in this than many mothers imagine. The necessity of providing a full supply of pure and fresh air in youth, when change and growth are most active, is obvious."

Mrs. Musiead—Doctor, why is it that all the great planters have such long, bushy hair? Professor Savage (reflectively)—I presume it is to keep off the flies while they are performing.

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