

BEHRING SEA SEAL FISHERIES.

Secretary Sherman's Instructions to Ambassador Hay.

For Guidance in Urging Compliance With the Paris Award.

Show at Length Great Britain's Failure and Refusal to Support This Government in Its Efforts to Prevent the Extinction of the Seal Herd.

NEW YORK, July 14.—A special to the "Tribune" from Washington says: Important instructions have recently been sent by Secretary Sherman to Ambassador Hay for his guidance in urging on the British Government...

crease and on others a decrease, but on the whole a possible state of equilibrium for the last two years, although he concedes a diminution as compared with 1892. If all the Professor claims is admitted, it is not mitigated against the contention that since pelagic sealing became general the decline of the herd has been steady and rapid.

"Although Professor Thompson has been very careful throughout the report to say nothing likely to embarrass his Government in the conclusions, the voice of true scientific investigation speaks in firm and certain tones. While he regards the alarming decrease of the herd's immense decrease as overdramatic, he says: 'There is still abundant need for care and prudent measures of conservation in the interest of all.'"

"The point when sealing ceased to be profitable seems to have been reached during the last year. Lord Salisbury informs us that the result has brought many owners of sealing vessels to the verge of bankruptcy. It thus appears that the condition of things presented by the Government of the United States has already come to pass—the commercial extermination of the seals."

"The detail enforcement of the regulations has further developed on the part of the British Government a strange misconception of the true spirit and intent of the arbitrators. In this connection Secretary Sherman blames the British authorities for giving notice that their Government would renew the arrangement as to the seals."

"It would have been gratifying to me, and useful to my Government in studying this important subject under consideration, if Professor Thompson's report could have been made public with the promptness which marked that of Dr. Jordan. In that case there would have been ample time for both Governments to have examined the reports of these two eminent scientists before the opening of another sealing season."

REPUBLICAN LEAGUE CLUBS' CONVENTION.

A Contesting Delegation From Louisiana Excluded.

Leonard J. Crawford of Kentucky Was Elected President.

President McKinley Commended for Sending a Monetary Commission to Europe, for Inaugurating Measures for the Annexation of Hawaii and for His Attitude on the Cuban Question.

DETROIT, July 14.—Combinations on league officials and the location of the next convention was the topic of active discussion among the delegates to the convention of the National League of Republican Clubs, prior to the calling to order of the convention. Secretary Dowling appeared to be in line for re-election in case of victory for either of the leading states.

The three leading combinations were about as follows: L. J. Crawford of Kentucky, for President; Dowling, for Secretary; Omaha, for the next convention. Fred W. Flettz of Pennsylvania, for President; Dowling, for Secretary, and Chicago for the next convention.

While the convention was assembling the delegates gave vent to enthusiasm over the entrance of the Young Men's McKinley Club of Dayton, O., who had come to visit the convention. The boys were given seats of honor on the platform.

At 10:45 Chairman Woodmansee called the convention to order. The Committee on Rules made its report on order of business and rules of business. The rules of the third Congress were recommended for the government of the convention, and the delegations were each to cast the full vote. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Credentials reported that the question of seats had been settled, with the exception that the Louisiana delegation of twenty-six, headed by H. E. Blunt (colored), was recommended to be seated and that the delegation of four headed by C. C. Wilson be excluded.

DISASTROUS FLOOD IN NEW YORK STATE.

Heavy Rains Cause the Dam of a Big Reservoir to Break.

Everything in the Path of the Great Bank of Water Washed Away.

Buildings Torn to Pieces and Their Occupants Carried Away in the Raging Flood—Five Bodies Already Recovered and Other People Missing.

POUGHKEEPSIE (N. Y.), July 14.—The two large reservoirs in the Fishkill mountains, which supplied water to the towns of Mattewan and Fishkill, burst their walls at 2 o'clock this morning, and the water that was released swept through the Dutchess Valley, causing ruin and death.

The water works system was operated by a private company and supplied the villages of Mattewan and Fishkill on the Hudson. A temporary trestle has been built at the break in the Hudson River Railway track and the Montreal express, south bound, has passed over it. It will be late this afternoon before trains can run on time.

Trains were stalled all the way from Fishkill to Poughkeepsie. One of these was a Cook excursion train, the passengers on which expected to start for Catskills to-day.

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TRIAL HEATS OF THE HENLEY REGATTA.

Dr. McDonald of Chicago Defeats T. A. Guinness of London.

The Englishman at No Time in the Race a Dangerous Competitor.

The Winnipeg Rowing Club of Canada Beats the Utrecht University Boat Club of Triton in the Trial Heat for the Steward's Challenge Cup—Thames Club Defeated by the Leanders.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—The conferees on the tariff bill found themselves to-day apparently further apart than they were at the beginning of the conference. There was no immediate prospect of agreement, and more than one member stated that the entanglement was such that the settlement might be indefinitely prolonged.

The House is also resisting strenuously the twenty per cent. duty placed upon hides, and is at the same time persistently holding out for a restoration of guano, cotton ties, etc., to the dutiable list.

A Senator who talked with some of the conferees said: "They are in a deadlock, and they are tied up all along the line. It looks as if the situation must remain unchanged for a week."

While this appears to be a correct outline of the situation to-day, the prevailing impression is that a settlement of one or two important schedules would be speedily followed by a complete adjustment of all other differences.

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EASTERN RACING EVENTS.

A KILLING MADE ON A LONG SHOT AT ST. LOUIS.

Close of the Meeting at the Harlem Track—Winners at Brighton Beach and Latonia.

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HAWAIIAN ANNEXATION.

TREATY FORMALLY REPORTED TO THE SENATE.

Five of the Seven Members of the Committee Vote in the Affirmative.

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CHEYENNES MAKING TROUBLE.

Attack the Home of a Deputy Sheriff Near the Reservation.

MILES CITY (Mont.), July 14.—The Cheyenne Indians are again making trouble for the white people near the reservation. A number of bucks, armed, attacked the home of Matt Winter, firing several shots inside the house. Mrs. Winter, the children and hired man, who were in the house, fled by the rear way and escaped without injury.

It was remembered that Matt Winter was one of the Deputy Sheriffs who accompanied Sheriff Gibbs to help arrest Little Whirlwind not long ago, and it was the general opinion at that time that Matt Winter would die soon at the hands of the Cheyennes.

CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS.

NEW YORK, July 14.—California dried fruit stands. Evaporated apples—prime wire tray, 4 1/2c; wood fired prime, 4 1/2c; choice, 5c; fancy 5 1/2c. Prunes, 4c; size and quality. Apricots—royal, 8c; Moor Park, 12c. Peaches—unpeeled, 6c; peeled 10c.

About 22,000 vehicles pass over London bridge every day.

A Murderer Hanged.

DEADWOOD (S. D.), July 14.—Charles Brown, who, on May 14th last, murdered Mrs. Colstone, was hanged this morning. There was no truth in the report that Brown would pull the trap on his wife's murderer. Brown was hanged by the Sheriff, as all along planned.

The name of Congressman Thomas

SUGAR TRUST.

WASHINGTON, July 14.—Representative Simpson of Kansas to-day introduced in the House a resolution directing the Speaker to appoint a committee of five to investigate the sugar trust.

PENSION AGENCIES.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—President McKinley has issued an order suspending the operation of ex-President Cleveland's order consolidating the pension agencies of the country and reducing their number to nine from eighteen.