

SAN FRANCISCO LETTER

Per R. M. S. Monowai, San Francisco, May 25th.

[From our San Francisco Correspondent.]

Sugar.

New York, May 25.—Cuban centrifugal, 96 degrees, 4 29-100 cents; granulated 5 18 100 cents.

The San Francisco market is active and promises to remain so until after the coming season, now only begun, and is over.

A cable from Havana dated the 22d inst. says: The sugar season may now be considered virtually ended, as the yield of the few estates still grinding will have no appreciable effect on the total production.

Governor Hogg of Texas has vetoed the Texas state bill to give a bounty to Texas sugar growers. He calls the bill "paternalism run wild."

A Duty on Sugar.

From one of the very best political sources in the east your correspondents learn that it is almost certain that the coming congress which will meet in extra session in September, will almost certainly place a duty of one cent per pound on raw sugar, as a means of obtaining revenue. The words of your correspondent's informant are as follows: "You can rest assured that the duty on sugar will almost certainly be partially restored at this congress to one cent per pound, which would place the Hawaiian planters on their feet again, increasing their receipts just \$20 per ton and making the reciprocity treaty of real value."

Death of R. J. Creighton.

Robert J. Creighton, the well-known newspaper man and politician, died on the 22d from paralysis of the heart at his residence, 1923 Broderick street.

The news of his sudden demise was a severe shock to his friends and acquaintances, no intimation having been given of the fatal attack. On the afternoon of the 20th he left his office with the firm of J. D. Spreckels & Bros., on Market street, apparently in the best of health and spirits. On the 22d he did not appear down town, but sent word that he was not feeling very well. The next news received was that of his death, which took place quietly and painlessly, without a moment's warning.

There were few better known men in town than Robert Creighton, and none could stand higher than he did in the estimation of all who knew him.

He was born in the historic town of Derry, county Antrim, Ireland. After receiving a preparatory education at his home, he went through a regular course at the Queen's College, from which he subsequently graduated with high honors.

After closing his college career he took up journalism as his profession.

A few years later the spirit of travel induced him, with other members of his family, to leave for the Australian colonies, where he continued his chosen career and with a steadiness of purpose took up his old vocation at the desk. He not only edited several of the leading journals in different parts of the colonies, but entered politics and won a high reputation in the Parliament of New Zealand, in which he sat for many years.

When he left that country eventually to found a home in California he was honored with an appointment as representative of the New Zealand government on the Pacific Coast. He has held the position ever since, with the exception of an interval of a few months when he was absent on a mission to the Hawaiian Islands.

In that little island kingdom he won the regard of its monarch, Kalakoua, and from controlling a newspaper he soon rose to a position where he controlled, in a great measure, the destinies of the islands. Leaving that country on a change in the government, he returned to San Francisco and resumed his old political relationship with the New Zealand government.

He has lately been associated with the firm of J. D. Spreckels & Brothers as private secretary to Claus and John D. Spreckels, both of whom were his warm personal friends.

He leaves a widow and two children, a son and a daughter, the latter being with him at the time of his death. He was 58 years of age.

The funeral was held on the 25th from his late residence. The Oceanic company's offices, as those of the Sugar Refinery were closed to enable all to attend.

Miss Spreckels Not Engaged.

The Chronicle created a lively stir in local, social and political circles on the 18th instant by announcing that Miss Emma Spreckels, daughter

of Claus Spreckels, would, "in the near future, be led to the altar by Samuel M. Shortridge, the distinguished young orator, lawyer and politician." In connection therewith the Chronicle paid a nice tribute to Miss Spreckels, and gave Mr. Shortridge a similar send off, calling attention to his brilliant legal and political future, and his well known friendship for the Spreckels family.

It is not true, however. No sooner had the paper appeared than Mr. Shortridge made a prompt and energetic denial of the story, and he and John D. Spreckels exhausted every means to find out where it originated, and at the same time to refute it. So ended one supposedly exclusive article, brought to light by the Chronicle.

American News.

The armored cruiser New York has been given her official trial, and has proven herself the fastest of her class in the world. In her first effort the vessel made 21.09 knots in one hour, which is good speed for an express train. It is expected the New York will eventually make 22 knots.

The convention of the National Republican League at Louisville, Kentucky, elected Wm. W. Tracy, of Springfield, Ill., president. The Hawaiian plank of the platform is as follows: The foreign policy of Benjamin Harrison and James G. Blaine deserves and receives the commendation of all Americans who believe in preserving the rights and dignity of the government of the United States, and in extending its scope and its influence. In accordance with that policy we reaffirm our determination to encourage the enforcement of the Monroe doctrine, not only as it applies to North and South America, but also in those islands in the Atlantic and Pacific which are or may become necessary to the protection of our coast line and our trade. When the American flag covers American interests and American honor, it must never be lowered.

The Empire State express, running from New York to Buffalo, has again beaten the record for speed. The highest velocity was five miles in three minutes, or 100 miles an hour; and 81 miles were covered in 71 minutes.

The World's Fair is rapidly being put in proper shape, and it is hoped that by June 15th everything will be in good running order. The closing of the gates last Sunday nearly created a riot, and it has at last been finally decided to keep the grounds open on the Sabbath. As a natural consequence, the sensational preachers are howling, and the public are applauding the action of the fair authorities.

The Whisky Trust, one of the greatest monopolies in the world, is on the verge of disruption. It is in severe financial straits, and is said to be unable to meet its agreements. This has resulted in the withdrawal of six of the largest distilleries from the trust, and others are expected to follow in a few days.

The ordinance department of the United States navy have about concluded that the pneumatic dynamite cruiser Vesuvius is a rank failure, and are expected to report against the further construction of such craft. The cruiser which it was thought would be one of the terrors of the sea will doubtless be converted into a gunboat for harbor purposes. The Infanta, Princess Eulalia of Spain, has been accorded high honors and attention from the President and his cabinet and the people of Washington. She is charmed with America and Americans, and comes to the World's Fair.

The Mexican government is endeavoring to establish a steamship line between San Diego and the southern Mexican ports, to compete with the Pacific Mail.

R. C. Shannon, recently United States minister to Nicaragua, has returned home. He says Nicaragua would like to be annexed to the United States.

Mrs. Jas. G. Blaine, Jr. divorced, will marry Dr. T. W. Bull of New York, who treated her during her illness before she left Blaine.

Mrs. Georgia Drew Barrymore will on account of ill health make her home in California and retire from the stage.

On May 20th a fire broke out in Saginaw, Michigan, lumber yards, and before it could be subdued two hundred buildings were burned. Many families were made homeless and the loss was heavy.

Secretary Gresham has declined to protest against the action of the Russian government in excluding naturalized Hebrews who endeavored to enter that country from the United States.

The Santa Clara bank of Santa Clara, this state, which was wrecked by dishonest officials, will pay in full and resume business.

The Canadian Pacific railroad is out for the scalp of the Southern Pacific, and is cutting rates fiercely for freight business between New York and San Francisco. The fight promises to be a bitter one.

The return of Secretary Herbert from New York is attended with great interest in naval circles. It is known that the secretary has been considering for some time the question of disposing of the vessels comprising the naval review fleet. In the last few months the naval needs of the country have been appreciably increased in several directions. The recent developments in Hawaii, the complications in Corea and Nicaragua, and the indignities to Americans in Hayti and Turkey, have all contributed to the demand for a judicious exhibition of force abroad at an early date.

It is known that Secretary Herbert

attaches much importance to the Pacific station and is considering the advisability of dividing the long stretch of sea coast into two commands, to be known as the North and South Pacific squadrons. Such an arrangement would merely mean a return to the old divisions found expedient years ago.

The American interests in Hawaii and the Behring sea are thought to be sufficient to demand the presence of several vessels there with an able and discreet commander in charge.

Floods and tornadoes have done much damage in the east and west in the past fortnight, particularly in Ohio and Pennsylvania. In one storm fourteen lives were lost on Erie.

The financial strain is still very great in this country, and notwithstanding the avoidance of a panic in industrial in Wall street, some weeks ago the situation becomes more serious, as shown by the many failures of minor banks, manufacturing and mercantile houses throughout the east, west and south. Thus far San Francisco has not felt the pressure, but money is hard to get even on good paper. It is now the opinion of many able financiers that the President can change the situation for the better by calling an extra session of congress at once and permitting the repeal of the Sherman silver purchase bill and the adjustment of the tariff. This it is believed would abate the anxiety of capital and start money to moving again. At the present time it is locked up.

In regard to the Geary law Gray's decision rested on the ground that a country has a perfect right to regulate its affairs as to aliens, and his burden of argument on the question of registration was that the Geary law virtually provided for a passport system. The dissenters based their opinions principally on sentimental grounds. The eastern religious societies are protesting vigorously against the law, and the government officials have done nothing further to enforce it. Indeed it is impossible on account of the fact that no funds are available for deporting the unregistered Chinese. It is thought that when congress meets six months will be given the Chinese in which to register.

Foreign News.

The war in Nicaragua is about at an end, and the government appears to be doomed.

The Prince of Wales has written a letter to Mr. Gladstone, in which he severely scores the Tory crowd which hooted the premier while in the company of the Prince.

London bankers say there is no prospect of or reason for a financial panic in England or the United States, although they think the situation is badly strained. The panic in Australia is at an end and the remaining banks are expected to stand any further pressure there may be.

It is announced from Berlin that the new Reichstag will reject the Kaiser's army bill more forcibly than the last body did. The masses are against the measure and as they will have the majority of representation over the Emperor, a serious row is anticipated.

The Czar of Russia, it is said, will provide for the colonization of Siberia by peasants who have been impoverished by famine and cholera. For a number of weeks past no reports have come from Europe regarding cholera, and it is now hoped that the scourge was wiped out by the excessive cold of last winter.

THE PALACE.

It Will be Fortified and Held by the Provisional Government.

The barracks are now deserted and the regulars have taken up quarters in the basement of the palace building. This course was decided on by the authorities on Wednesday, and the discovery of the explosive material had nothing to do with the change. The moving commenced Thursday morning, when Captain Good notified his men to pack up their effects. By noon everything was taken from the barracks and conveyed to the new quarters. The men worked hard and faithfully, and by 3 o'clock in the afternoon the beds were up in the different rooms and everything was in good order. Gun racks had been put up and all extra arms and ammunition had been stored in a safe place before nightfall, so it can be seen that Captain Good did not lose any time.

For the present one half of the wide basement hallway will be occupied as a dining room.

There are several rumors abroad regarding the upper portion of the building, one of which is that the supreme and circuit courts will occupy a portion of it. Chief Justice Judd was seen Thursday regarding the rumored change and he said it was news to him, as he had received no notice of any change. He added: "The supreme court judges are well satisfied with their present quarters."

There is some talk regarding the demolishing of the old barracks building among the heads of the government, but that course has not been decided on as yet.

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