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## ON THE RETREAT.

The Oklahoma Boomers Being Forced Out of the Country at the Point of the Bayonet.

No Serious Conflict so Far, the People Evidently Determined to Obey the Law.

Cattlemen Meet and Interview Chief Mayes on the Situation, Afterwards Electing Him to the Association.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 19.—The United States attorney for Kansas has received telegrams from Oklahoma stating that the boomers at that point had been fired upon by regular troops, and further violence is hourly expected. The United States attorney has wired the deputy marshals near the scene to proceed at once to prevent violence by arresting anyone violating the law. The boomers claim the troops fired without orders and ask that they be arrested for assault.

KANSAS CITY, March 19.—A Times special from Oklahoma City reports everything quiet there this evening, though United States troops are still driving out the boomers. The only foundation for the reports as to a conflict between the soldiers and invaders is that Lieut. Carson was knocked down by a boomer yesterday, the offender being at once arrested. The Kansas United States attorney has no jurisdiction over Oklahoma, that territory being in charge of the United States attorney at Fort Smith, Ark.

**Cutting the Fences.**

GENDA SPRINGS, Kas., March 19.—Sunday morning cattlemen along the border for a great distance on the Cherokee strip awakened to find their fences all destroyed. Sunday night the work of destruction was renewed and it is thought the stables, corrals and other property will go next. It is thought this is done in retaliation for the driving out of the boomers from the Creek and Seminole ceded lands. The people here and at Arkansas City are quiet and seem determined to stand loyally by the law and the president's orders. They feel, however, if the law-abiding are kept out all others should be, so that all may have an equal chance in the selection of lands.

**Meeting of the Cattlemen.**

CALDWELL, Kans., March 19.—The semi-annual meeting of the Cherokee Strip Live Stock association was called to order this afternoon by President Hewing. J. B. Mayes, chief of the Cherokees, made an address in which he assured the members of the associations they need have no fear in regard to retaining possession of the land; that they had leased it for five years and there was nothing that could remove them so long as they pay the rent. After the speech an opportunity was given all those desiring to ask the chief questions. Among the questions asked was his opinion in regard to the Cherokee commission, to which he replied: "That will amount to nothing. All they will do is to come down here and have a good time. We will not sell for $1 25 per acre."

Another question asked was what they would do if the soldiers attempted to remove them, to which Mayes replied: "It will be an easy matter to stop that; if the soldiers attempt to put you out, all that will be necessary is to serve an injunction on them."

Another asked: "What will we do with the boomers?"

Mayes replied: "We will take care of the boomers. You stay with us and we will stay with you."

At the conclusion of Mayes' speech, Snyder, a wealthy Kansas City cattleman, made a motion that the chief be elected an honorary member of the association, which was carried without a dissenting vote. President Hewings then presented the situation as being the most favorable in the history of the association. To-morrow the regular election of officers takes place. Notwithstanding the brave front put on by the leaders good ranges can be bought for a great deal less than a few months ago.

## MARY ANDERSON'S CATTLE.

The Star's Sub-Manager Makes a Show of Himself.

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—The English company which has been supporting Mary Anderson has been sent from this city to New York. There were over fifty in the party and they left with vinegary feelings towards Marcus Mayer, the assistant manager. The cause for this lay in the following interview which Mayer had with a reporter Saturday night. Mayer was asked, "What will become of the company?"

"What's that got to do with it?" he asked. "You might as well ask me what becomes of the bill stickers. The company is nothing. You make me mad by asking such questions. Suppose the company should appear at the opera house Monday night, who would go to see them? Nobody; you newspaper people consider these cattle and ignore the star half the time. That is no proper way. I'm a newspaper man myself."

As a matter of fact Abbey will ship the company back to New York to-morrow, and will then ship those who want to go home to England. A good many will try to catch on in this country until next season, when Miss Anderson may engage them. The members of the company will present their grievances to the dramatic journals of New York and London, and seek to boycott Mayer.

## MANACLED SKELETONS.

Startling Statement of a Dying Ex-Confederate Concerning a Ghastly Discovery.

RICHMOND, Va., March 19.—Private James K. Bolton, an inmate of the Confederate Soldiers' Home, now at the point of death, tells a startling story. He says when employed as a diver in getting copper off the wrecked Confederate ram Merrimac, in 1873, he dived into the forecastle. There he found the skeletons of two men manacled to the floor. He supposes they were members of the crew incarcerated for the violation of some rule of the navy, and when the craft sunk were forgotten.

**Charged With Robbing the Company.**

SPOKANE FALLS, March 19.—[Special to the Independent.]—Almon Ames, superintendent of the Alma and Nellie Wood mine, in the Cœur d'Alenes, was arrested here today on the charge of robbing the company. Simultaneously H. Lawrence, a jeweler of Wardner, was arrested there as accessory. It is claimed they have systematically stolen a large quantity of bullion and amalgam, the exact amount of which the officers of the company decline to state. The arrests gave rise to a rumor that the Alma and Nellie Wood had played out; that James F. Wardner was ruined financially, and that the First National bank of this city had lost heavily. All this is untrue, and the mine will be operated as heretofore.

**All Quiet at Apia.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The secretary of the navy has received the following telegram from Commander Kempff, acting commandant at Mare Island navy yard: "Captain Schonmaker reports by letter dated Feb. 25 the arrival of the Vandalia at Apia on the 23d. Matters then were quiet.

## SUICIDED AT MISSOULA.

W. James Oliver, of Butte, Sends a Bullet Through His Brain.

MISSOULA, March 19.—[Special to the Independent.]—W. James Oliver, son of P. W. Oliver of Butte, and manager of the Butte Hardware company's business in Anaconda, suicided in room 44 of the Florence hotel some time before noon to-day. He came here from Anaconda yesterday, and last night was about the streets apparently in good spirits. About midnight he was playing faro in one of the gambling houses here, losing as near as could be learned about $175. He went to his room about 2:30 a. m., which, by the way, was also occupied by a friend, who opened the door and let him in. The friend was a traveling man, H. P. Dix, who left the room before breakfast, returning again about 9 o'clock to awake the deceased, and told him it was time to go to breakfast. He then left the room but went back again about 2 o'clock to get his baggage, when he found the door locked from the inside and could get no response from anyone within. The proprietor was notified and the door opened, when they were greeted with the ghastly sight of a man lying on the bed, his face partly covered with a pillow, and his right hand grasping a 38-caliber Smith & Wesson revolver which lay across his breast. The bed was saturated with blood. An examination revealed the fact that deceased had held the revolver close to his right temple and fired the fatal shot, the ball passing through the head making its exit just above the left ear. A coroner's jury was empannelled and after the examination brought in the following verdict, in accordance with the above facts. The father of the deceased was telegraphed for and will arrive on the night train.

## LOST FOUR MILLIONS.

Poor Showing of the Burlington—Union Pacific Extensions.

BOSTON, March 19.—The annual report of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad for 1888 shows in comparison with 1887 gross earnings, decrease, $3,787,000; expenses, increase, $2 785,000; net earnings, decrease, $3,271,000; dividends, decrease, $2,291,000; debt, increase, $8,400,000.

The directors says: "After many prosperous years the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad has experienced a year of serious reverses. After paying the fixed charges, including $700,000 contributed to the sinking funds, and adding 5 per cent. to the capital stock accounts, we show a deficiency for the year of $4,331,000 which it has been necessary to take from the accumulated surplus of the company." The report attributes this to the engineers' strike and to the operation of the interstate law.

**Pushing Union Pacific Extensions.**

NEW YORK, March 19.—A Boston dispatch to the Herald says: Union Pacific affairs are in a curious shape again. There is an activity in the construction department strangely out of place in a company which has been posing as a bankrupt, and asking congress for an extension of its debt. Surveying parties are out and a number of new lines are projected. The most important is a direct outlet to the Pacific coast, at or near San Francisco. Every man charged with the management of the company for years back has recognized the necessity of such a road and tried to secure it.

**The Belt Mountain Surveys.**

GREAT FALLS, March 19.—[Special to the Independent.]—Great Falls was agreeably surprised this afternoon by the arrival of Montana Central railroad engineers under the leadership of James Herron, who was connected with the construction of the Butte division last year. The party will undertake at once surveys for the projected railroad from here to Neihart, Barker and other mining camps in the Belt mountains. This mineral region is about forty miles east of this city.

Traffic Manager Hannaford, of the Northern Pacific railway, who has been the guest of General Manager Child, of the Montana Smelting company, left for St. Paul to day by the Manitoba railway. His visit is associated with the projected Northern Pacific railway line from Billings to Great Falls, which is designed to tap the Judith Basin and intervening country.

**Passenger and Freight Agents' Convention**

NEW YORK, March 19.—The semi-annual meeting of the national association of general passenger and ticket agents was held to-day. The name of the association was changed from the National to the American Association of General Passenger and Freight Agents. A resolution was placed before the meeting in which it was provided that dead bodies be hereafter carried by the express companies and not as passengers by the railroad companies. Referred to the executive committee. Geo. L. Connor was elected president, D. B. Martin vice president, and A. H. Smith secretary. An executive committee was also elected. The next meeting will be held at Atlanta, Ga., in September.

**To Inspect the Roads.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—After a meeting of the senate committee on interstate commerce to-day arrangements were made for pursuing the investigation of Canadian transportation matters ordered by the resolution of the senate, August 3, 1888. It was determined to meet in New York May 15. It is probable before the summer is over the committee will go over the entire length of the Canadian Pacific road.

The special committee on Pacific railroads has arranged to make a trip of about six weeks duration over the lines of the Union and Central Pacific railroads, beginning April 6.

**Railway Notes.**

The earnings of the Northern Pacific railway for the second week in March show an increase as compared with the corresponding week in 1888 of $76,490.

Emmons Blaine enters the service of the West Virginia Central to-day as assistant to the president and it will be his duty to look after the road's traffic arrangements.

**The New Cruisers.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The only bid for machinery of the cruiser Maine, that of N. F. Palmer, Jr., & Co., of New York, has been referred to the bureau of steam engineering for examination, report and recommendation. The chiefs of the bureaus of ordnance, equipment and recruiting, construction and repair and steam engineering have been directed to proceed without delay to prepare plans for the construction of the new vessels authorized by the naval appropriation bill of the last session of congress, viz: one armored steel cruising monitor of not less than 3,000 tons at a cost not exceeding $1,500,000 on plans designed by John R. Thomas; two steel cruisers of the most approved type of 800 to 1,200 tons displacement, to cost in the aggregate, exclusive of armament, not more than $700,000, and one ram for harbor defense, of the general type approved by the naval advisory board Nov. 7, 1881, of the highest practicable speed. Each bureau is to prepare the plans pertaining to it and the chiefs are to meet as often as necessary for the purpose of considering and settling upon the general characteristics of the vessels.

**England and Morocco.**

LONDON, March 19.—In the commons Sir James Ferguson, parliamentary secretary for the foreign office, announced that certain serious questions between England and Morocco had not been settled and that a portion of the British channel squadron had consequently gone to Tangiers.

## REID'S RICH PLUM.

The New York Editor Selected for the French Instead of the English Mission.

Eugene Schuyler's Nomination Withdrawn Under a Threat of Non-Confirmation by the Senate.

The Senate Committee to Investigate the Irrigation Question in the Northwest to Visit Montana in August.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Harrison sent the following nominations to the senate today: John R. McFie, New Mexico, associate justice of the supreme court of New Mexico; Frank R. Aikens, Dakota, associate justice of the supreme court of Dakota; Whitelaw Reid, New York, minister to France; Julius Goldschmidt, Wisconsin, consul general at Vienna.

**These Were Confirmed.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—In executive session this afternoon the senate confirmed the nomination of Elbert D. Weed to be district attorney for Montana; also, Smith A. Whitfield, of Ohio, to be second assistant postmaster general; Abraham D. Hazen, of Pennsylvania, to be third assistant postmaster general; Samuel R. Thayer, to be minister to the Netherlands; Wm. W. Thomas, Jr., of Maine, to be minister to Norway and Sweden.

Lieut.-Col. Adelbert R. Buffington to be colonel; Major Joseph P. Farley to be lieutenant-colonel; Capt. Otto E. Michaelis to be major; Capt. Julius H. Pateski to be surgeon, with the rank of major. First regiment artillery; First Lieut. Gilbert P. Cotton to be captain; Second Lieut. Chas. H. Hunter to be first lieutenant; James M. Kellogg to be postmaster at Wickes, Mont.

**Would Not Confirm Him.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The president to-day withdrew from the senate the nomination of Eugene Schuyler, to be assistant secretary of state, which was made on the 13th inst. It is learned the committee on foreign relations, after consideration of the case, asked that the nomination be withdrawn, coupling the request it is understood, with an intimation that otherwise it would be reported adversely. This action was taken on account of an assault made by Schuyler in his book entitled "American Diplomacy" upon Elihu Washburn, reflecting upon his official conduct while secretary of state, together with reflections upon the administration of President Grant and the senate.

**To Investigate the Irrigation Question.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Senator Stewart's special committee to investigate the subject of irrigation for reclaiming arid lands enters upon its duty in August, meeting at St. Paul and proceeding first to Montana. The chairman expects the trip will occupy six weeks and cover most of the territories.

**The Nominees.**

Whitelaw Reid, nominated yesterday to be minister to France, is an editor, and one of the proprietors of the New York Tribune, was born at Xenia, Ohio, 1837. At fifteen he entered the Miami University, at Oxford, Butler county, Ohio, where he was graduated in 1856. He began the active duties of life as principal of the graded schools in South Charleston, Clark county, in the same state, but did not continue in the occupation long. In 1857 he bought the Xenia News, and did such work on that journal as to give it a reputation wide as the state. This led to his engagement by the Times and Gazette of Cincinnati and the Herald of Cleveland, as their Columbus correspondent. The war gave him an opportunity of distinguishing himself as a correspondent at the front. He served the Cincinnati Gazette in this capacity and in '62 became a stockholder of that journal, the publication of which he subsequently assisted in the capacity of associate editor. His connection with the New York Tribune began with his being the editor in charge of its Washinuton bureau. He ventured upon the publication of a volume in the year 1865. It was entitled "After the War—A Southern Tour," and recorded observations made in company with Chief Justice Chase on an extensive range of travel. Reid published another book in 1868, "Ohio in the War," a work of considerable length and value. He became permanently an editor on the staff of the Tribune in 1870, and when Horace Greely was a candidate for the presidency, assumed the position of managing editor. Mr. Reid is a wealthy man. He married the daughter of a millionaire, and lives in style in uptown New York. The wife of the president was lately entertained by him.

Captain Morse, who was to-day appointed private secretary to Secretary Proctor, graduated from Cornell university in 1879, and until recently has been actively engaged in the management of large marble interests controlled by Proctor. He is also a member of the bar.

John R. McFee, nominated for associate justice of the supreme court of New Mexico, lives at Las Cruses, and is spoken of as an excellent lawyer. He has been a resident of the territory for many years.

Andrew C. Bradley, who was nominated to be judge of the supreme court of the District of Columbia is a life-long resident of Washington. He graduated from Harvard law school in 1867 and has been engaged in the practice of law in this city ever since.

J. Lowrie Bell, who yesterday was appointed general superintendent of the railway mail service, is 50 years of age and was born at Reading, Pa. In his 26th year he entered the service of the Philadelphia & Reading as a clerk in the freight department. He always has been a staunch republican in politics. His intimate knowledge of the railroad business renders his appointment to the general superintendency of the railway mail service one of peculiar fitness. He took the necessary oath late this afternoon, and will enter upon his new duties to-morrow.

Frank B. Aikens, nominated for the supreme bench of Dakota, has been a resident of that territory a number of years. His present address is Canton, Dak. He is a lawyer in good repute, and was recommended for the office by Gov. Mellette, Delegate Gifford and many members of the legislature.

**To Test the Yorktown.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The contractors for the gunboat Yorktown having reported her completed, Secretary Tracy has ordered the board, of which Commodore Fitzhugh is president, to reassemble at Cram's shipyard to-morrow for the purpose of making such further examinations as may be necessary.

**Dismissed For Misconduct.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The Haytien legation has received official advices that the consul of San Dominzo at New York, Leoncio Julia Las been dismissed for aiding Haytien rebels in violating the neutrality laws of the United States, by purchasing war steamers in this country for them.

**Revenue Collections.**

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The collections of internal revenue for the first eight months of the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889 were $83,364,211, an increase of $2,603,744 over the collections for the corresponding period of the last fiscal year.

**Of Interest to Scientists.**

GENEVA, N. Y., March 19.—Professor Brooks, director of the Smith observatory, obtained several observations of the new white region of Saturn's ring and announces as his discovery, that the light is variable and that pulsations of light at irregular intervals have been detected by him. This evidence of a change in Saturn's system is of the highest scientific interest.

## A FULLER ROMANCE.

A Daughter of the Chief Justice One of the Principals in an Elopement.

CHICAGO, March 19.—The Daily News Milwaukee special says: Miss Paulina Fuller, fifth daughter of Chief Justice Fuller, was married here to-night at the Kirby house, by a justice of the peace. The groom was J. Matt Aubrey, Jr., of Chicago, and it was a runaway match. When the 6:30 St. Paul train arrived this evening a petite woman was helped off the steps of the parlor car by a well-knit young man with a smooth face. The lady was closely veiled and was escorted to a carriage by her companion. They were driven at once to the Kirby house, where they registered. No room was assigned to them and the lady and her companion spent the early evening in the hotel parlors.

About 9 o'clock the young man came down stairs and informed the clerk he wanted a justice of the peace. Clerk Cole is well up on such affairs, so he winked knowingly and assured the young man everything would be arranged. Inside of fifteen minutes Justice Gregory arrived. There was a hurried consultation, and then the young man brought the blushing young lady forward. The ceremony was a brief one, and the justice, who is a very prosaic gentleman, put on no extra frills. He did not know the bride was the daughter of the chief justice of the United States and neither did any of those who were present, outside of the contracting parties. When the ceremony was concluded the old justice called for witnesses, and young men captured in the billiard room ran to affix their signatures to the necessary documents. The justice coughed dryly, the young man slipped a bill into his hand, and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey were escorted to the bridal chamber.

Mrs. Aubrey, nee Paulina Fuller, is 19 years of age, highly educated and a remarkably handsome woman. J. Matt Aubrey, Jr., is 23 years years of age. He is a son of the general western agent of the Merchants Despatch fast freight line, J. M. Aubrey, Sr., has been a resident of Chicago since 1876, when he left Milwaukee. He is well known here and Congressman Isaac Van Schaick is one of his most intimate friends. Young Aubrey is employed in his father's office in Chicago. He is a handsome young fellow.

As near as can be learned the acquaintance of the bride and groom began about three years ago. Justice Fuller, who was then plain Lawyer Fuller, lived with his eight daughters on Lake avenue, only a short distance from the home of young Aubrey. The young people met first at a party given in the neighborhood. An attachment sprang up between them, and when it became apparent it was opposed by the Fullers. Miss Paulina declared, however, she would marry whom she pleased, and her father recognized her right to do as she pleased. Mrs. Fuller, however, vehemently opposed the match. About this time Lawyer Fuller was named as chief justice of the United States. Mrs. Fuller gleefully packed up and carried Miss Paulina away to Washington with the other Misses Fuller. About the first of last January Miss Paulina informed her mother she was 19 years of age and that she intended to make a trip to Chicago. Mrs. Fuller opposed the trip, but the girl was firm in her determination, and a few days later she left. Since that time she has been in Chicago visiting friends of the family.

## GREAT IS MONTANA.

The Sweet Grass Placers Discussed at a New York Hotel.

NEW YORK, March 19.—[Special to the Independent.]—A number of Montanians were at the Fifth Avenue hotel to-day, eagerly discussing telegraphic reports of a new gold discovery in the new state. Ex-Gov. Hauser, Col. Hale, W. G. Conrad and others from the far west were present. Hauser said that he had no doubt that gold had been discovered in the Sweet Grass hills in large and paying quantities, but he did not think it was a great bonanza and added: "The trouble is, reports from newly discovered gold fields, as a rule, are exaggerated. There is plenty of gold, no doubt, in the Sweet Grass Hills, but the report that it runs out into the miner's hand on the Alladin lamp principle, is a pleasing fiction. Then, too, the fear expressed that the provisions will give out on account of the great number of miners going there, is groundless. Our state is great and productive. We can feed all who go there. I do not believe in exaggeration, even in mining matters." Col. Hale said Montana was rich in mineral products and mines are liable to be discovered anywhere.

**In the Commons.**

LONDON, March 19.—Harcourt said he intended to challenge the conduct of the government in placing Irish officials paid by the public at the service of the Times in connection with that paper's charges against Irish members of the house. He also announced that on the vote for Attorney-general Webster's salary he should ask what state services the attorney-general had rendered during the last two months and why any salary should be paid to him.

Gladstone denied the right of Goschen, chancellor of the exchequer, to calculate beforehand what time should be allowed for a discussion of the vote. He denied the right of the government to take away the right of the house to time necessary for a full decision. Harcourt in opposing the motion of Smith, government leader, to give precedence to a vote on the accounts until they were passed, accused the government of shirking the discussion and of trying to introduce a new and surreptitious form of cloture. He said the time was drawing near when the commons would become simply the vestry for the registering of government transactions.

**Salisbury Will Stick.**

LONDON, March 19.—In a speech at Walford this evening Lord Salisbury stated nothing short of a vote of want of confidence would bring the government to a premature end, and that those who thought otherwise were abusing themselves with vain dreams. Lord Salisbury said he would not discuss the forged letters or much larger matters of accusation against the Irish leaders, which were now before an eminently and impartial tribunal. The government had no interest in the letters. The commission had been appointed to consider far wider and more importa t charges. There had been a deal of public embracing of Parnellite leaders, but before expressing an opinion he would wait for the judgment of the commission.

**Laguerre Before the Court.**

PARIS, March 19.—Senator Naquet and Deputies Laguerre and Forquet, who are being prosecuted by the government for their connection with the Patriotic League, were arraigned before the examining magistrate to-day. They refused to answer the questions put to them and declared as their prosecution was of a political nature and illegal, they would only justify themselves publicly before the correctional tribunal.

**Shot by a Deputy.**

PESTH, March 19.—In the vestibule of the lower house of the diet to-day a man, supposed to be a lawyer, insulted Herr Rohonezy, a liberal deputy. The latter shot the man in the thigh. The shooting caused great excitement among the students, who had assembled in large numbers outside, but they dispersed quietly.

**The Passengers Escaped.**

RIVIERE DU LOUP, Que., March 19.—The Halifax express on the Inter Colonial railway collided to-day with a freight near Rimouski. Four trainmen were killed and two others injured, but not fatally. Both engines, baggage car and two freight cars were wrecked. None of the passengers were injured.

## A BURST BUBBLE.

An Authoritative Announcement From New York That the Secretan Syndicate Has Collapsed.

Managers of Some of the Big Producers at Butte Very Much Surprised at the Failure.

The Product of the Boston & Montana Contracted Eighteen Months Ahead—Anxiety in the Silver City.

BUTTE, March 19.—[Special to the Independent.]—The greatest surprise was occasioned here this afternoon by an authoritative dispatch from the Lewisohn brothers, of New York, to Thomas Couch, superintendent of the Boston & Montana, which announced the collapse of the copper syndicate. The copper men here have been a unit in the belief that the syndicate would pull through in some manner and most of them are now inclined to the belief that some arrangement will be patched up by which a powerful company will succeed the Secretan syndicate and carry the copper load. Unless this is done the surplus amounting to 170,000 tons of copper will come upon the market at once at a low figure and paralyze the copper production for a year. Superintendent Couch says his company, the Boston & Montana, will go right on as if nothing had happened. Their output is contracted to the syndicate for the coming eighteen months, and certified checks to secure payment are on deposit in Boston banks. Next to the Anaconda the Boston & Montana is the heaviest producer in the camp. As to the Anaconda, nobody knows anything, excepting Marcus Daly, and he is not in the city. The opinion here is that the Anaconda copper is not contracted ahead and that the company will be obliged to sell at the market price or hold their copper, or else shut down.

Next to these two gigantic copper enterprises comes the Parrot. Your correspondent interviewed Superintendent Ben Tibbey. He could not say what action his company would take. They would await developments. The Butte & Boston has been making extensive additions preparatory to the production of copper on a large scale. These operations will be held in check to await developments. There is a great deal of anxiety in the community on account of the situation.

**Demand for Copper Shares.**

PARIS, March 19.—A pessimist feeling prevails regarding the position of the credit houses, especially of the Banque de Paris, which is much discussed. It is reported the bank is deeply involved in the copper troubles and is not expected to pay a dividend for the past year. Moreover it is stated the directors of the concern announced at the bankers' meeting last evening they were unable to subscribe for the relief of the Comptoir des Compte, having themselves lent 2,700,000 francs on copper warrants. The decline in Societe des Metaux shares is attributed to the report that the concern had definitely suspended payment and operations. Nevertheless there was a large amount of buying and repurchasing in the copper mine market to-day, the demand for Tintos being especially strong.

**Cannot Accept Deliveries.**

LONDON, March 19.—The Paris correspondent of the News says: The Societe des Metaux has given notice of its inability to take deliveries of copper from mines and will to-morrow declare a suspension of payment and demand the appointment of a judicial receiver. It is rumored the shareholders of the Comptoir des Compte will institute an action against the directors for misapplying the concern's funds to their own or their friend's usage, or for culpable concealment of its position on the last balance sheet, which did not explain the copper liabilities.

The capital of the new Comptoir des Compte will be forty million francs, with power to increase it to eighty millions. There will be 80,000 shares at 500 francs; half of these will be subscribed by the financial group, but the other half will be reserved for the original shareholders of the Comptoir des Compte.

## BLAKELOCK KNOCKED OUT.

Plucky Battle at San Francisco Between Jimmy Carroll and Sam Blakelock.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19.—The glove contest between Jimmy Carroll, formerly of Boston, and Sam Blakelock, of England, took place to-night at the rooms of the California Athletic club. The men weighed 133 pounds each. Blakelock was knocked out by Carroll in the fifteenth round. Five hundred people witnessed the fight, one of the pluckiest ever seen on the Pacific coast. Both men were scienced, but Carroll was too strong for the plucky Englishman. The betting was slightly in favor of Blakelock. The fight commenced at 9:45, and for the first few rounds Blakelock had the best of it. In the fifth Carroll drew first blood. Honors were then even until the tenth, when Carroll did some heavy rushing and knocked Blakelock down, only the call of time saving him from a knock out. From that on the fighting was furious, Blakelock standing up and giving and taking heavy punishment. In the twelfth round Blakelock came up fresh, but Carroll was bent on finishing the fight and rushed him around the ring, getting in heavy blows, but a call of time saved Blakelock. In the thirteenth Blakelock was groggy, but still plucky. Carroll got in some vicious upper cuts, but could not knock the little man out. In the fourteenth Blakelock was still full of fight and got in some good stabs with his left, but Carroll was too strong and was waiting for a chance to give a knock out blow. It came in the fifteenth round, when Carroll sent in blow after blow, finally delivering a terrific right-hander under Blakelock's ear, knocking him senseless and winning the fight.

## PILGRIMS RECEIVED.

American Catholics at Rome Highly Honored by the Church Authorities.

ROME, March 19.—The American College gave a grand dinner this evening in honor of the leaders of the American pilgrims. Many prelates were present. Bishop Keane, president of the new Catholic university at Washington, spoke in English, Latin and French. The pope's vicar, Cardinal Parocchi, delivered a powerful Latin oration on behalf of the pope. He expressed the pope's admiration for American institutions and spoke of the deep interest taken by his holiness in the birth of the Washington university, which he regarded as one of the chief glories of his pontificate. Cardinal Scheffinee eulogized Washington university as the crowning work of Christian education; a work that was destined to display America to the world as a living exemplification of perfect accord between the highest learning and science and science and the Catholic faith. Mgr. Jacobini traced America's wonderful progress. He referred to the treasures of faith poured forth by Catholic Ireland and contrasted the strong and vigorous liberal American institutions and people of the Catholic church in America with the sadly painful situation of the people and church in the old world.