

and presented his letters of credence to Secretary Hay, and afterward to the President. From the White House Baron von Sternburg went to the British Embassy, where he saw the ambassador, exhibited his credentials, and immediately began an active discussion of the negotiations.

Meanwhile Mr. Bowen is biding his time. He is keeping Caracas informed as to the progress of affairs here, and is counselling patience, hoping that the powers will yet yield. As a matter of fact, he has as yet received no intimation from the powers that they are really desirous of settling the Venezuelan dispute at Washington, as the representations have thus far consisted of counter propositions.

At a call to-day of M. de Margerie on Secretary Hay, the fact developed that the French Chargé d'Affaires has received specific instructions from his government to insist that France shall not be discriminated against in the settlement of the Venezuelan claims. Having the personal assurance of Mr. Bowen that the French claims shall not be discriminated against, M. de Margerie refrains at present from action; but as soon as he is assured by Mr. Bowen that the allies refuse to permit such treatment of the French claims as he expects he will take steps to lodge a formal protest against the proposed discrimination, and in so doing he expects to be joined by the representatives of the other claimant nations.

OPPOSED TO ALLIES' CLAIMS.

Views of a Member of Diplomatic Corps at Caracas.

Caracas, Jan. 31.—All the newspapers of Caracas have published articles to the effect that the action of the allies in imposing upon Venezuela special preferential treatment in the settlement of their own claims is on a par with all their previous acts since the beginning of the present difficulty; namely, unjust and unreasonable.

Two of the members of the diplomatic corps here, when asked for their opinion on this phase of the matter, declined to speak, but a third was willing to discuss the matter for publication provided his name was not used. He said:

The action of Great Britain, Germany and Italy in trying to impose favored treatment for their claims, and in demanding an immediate cash payment, arises from the fact that they know their claims are not well founded. My colleague, Mr. Haggard, the British Minister, before his departure presented claims to the Venezuelan Government on behalf of Great Britain to the amount of only \$8,000. The remainder of Great Britain's claims against Venezuela is not known. What they may be is problematical. In this connection it must be remembered that schooners from the British island of Trinidad have been assisting the Matos revolutionists, as well as smuggling, and that these vessels have been rightfully seized by Venezuela. Great Britain was sure beforehand that no tribunal would recognize certain of her claims, and therefore she wanted to force their immediate payment.

Germany, for the same reason, does not desire that the Discount-Gesellschaft loan scandal shall become known to the financial world. The Italians have no industrial enterprises in Venezuela. Italians here are mostly agricultural laborers and pedlers; these have undoubtedly suffered, but they claim \$10 for the loss of a chicken and \$100 for the theft of a donkey. It can be seen why Italy does not wish to have her claims discussed by a tribunal and prefers force to reason.

No belief should be attached to the statement that France will abandon her rights in the matter of her own claims—rights which were obtained by her diplomatic treaties with Venezuela. I know upon good authority that France is not disposed to capitulate, and I hope that the United States, which also has claims against Venezuela, will not gratify the allies by accepting such treatment.

There was much excitement among the foreigners here when it was reported that the allies proposed special treatment to secure the payment of their claims. Americans, Frenchmen and Spaniards met and protested against the carrying out of such an idea and cable messages were addressed to the governments of the United States, France and Spain asking for protection of their several rights and that the claims of the petitioners be accorded treatment similar to that given to British, German and Italian claims.

GERMANS LAND NEAR MARACAIBO.

Caracas, Jan. 31.—News has reached here that a German warship, supposed to be the cruiser Falke, was seen this morning near the bar at Maracaibo. She was taking advantage of the fine weather, and was actively engaged in making soundings. She had landed men in her small boats.

FRENCH VIEWS DIFFER.

Officials Hopeful, But the Press in Doubt.

Paris, Jan. 31.—Official sentiment here to-day is more hopeful of an adjustment of the Venezuelan questions, owing to the receipt of advices to the effect that the representatives of the allies have asked their respective governments for further instructions. There will probably be a simultaneous presentation of France's position through the French representatives in London, Berlin and Rome. The authorities are examining the plan for aggregating the claims of the powers which did not take part in the blockade, as suggested by Minister Bowen, and are inclined to regard it favorably.

The tone of the French press shows that the editorial writers fear there will be a renewal of hostilities by the allies in Venezuelan waters as a result of the present complications. The "Temps" points out that the world's chief interest is to secure an end to the whole affair, "which is beginning to be viewed as another Maximilian fiasco," and says:

If the naval commanders again feel that they are at liberty to take action, owing to the failure of the negotiations, there will be a new incident like that of San Carlos.

The "Journal des Débats" takes a similar view, and remarks:

The multiplication of the delays tends to confirm the view that the allies do not sincerely desire a settlement of the trouble.

Concerning the French claims against Venezuela, the "Temps," the "Journal des Débats" and other newspapers hold that the allies' demand for preference is not tenable. The "Temps" declares it is inadmissible that Germany, Great Britain and Italy "can expect factio secure priority over France and the United States, who have already secured a peaceful settlement of their Venezuelan claims."

AMERICANS RUN BLOCKADE.

Porto Cabello, Jan. 31.—Two Americans, James Cooper and C. Allen, have arrived here in a sloop after having forced the blockade.

Cooper is an ex-Confederate major of cavalry, and Allen is a military engineer. They have come to serve with "Venezuela against the allies in case of war." They left here for Caracas to-day.

RUSH ORDER FOR RIFLES.

One Hundred Thousand To Be Shipped Immediately from Springfield Armory.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Springfield, Mass., Jan. 31.—The Springfield Armory has a rush order for one hundred thousand Krag-Jorgensen rifles. Fifty thousand were shipped to-day. The excuse given is that the new militia bill requires them, but the inference here is that the War Department is preparing to forestall a shortage in case of complications in Venezuela.

BARON VON STERNBURG RECEIVED.

New German Minister Presents His Credentials to the President.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Baron Speck von Sternburg, the special representative of Germany in the Venezuelan negotiations, who arrived in Washington last night, was presented to President Roosevelt to-day by Secretary Hay. The call was formal, the baron desiring to present his credentials as special minister from Germany to this country before taking charge of the embassy's affairs in the absence of Ambassador von Holleben. The exchanges were verbal, the President waiving the usual preparatory ceremonies, and Baron von Sternburg confined himself to an expression of the Emperor's friendly feeling for the United States and his own gratification at being able to return to America in this capacity. The President responded in a felicitous vein, incidentally expressing the hope that the baron's coming would result in the settlement of all pending questions, this being an indirect reference to the Venezuelan issue. Beyond this the question was not discussed. The baron, who was received in the executive offices, remained only a few minutes.

To a representative of The Associated Press Baron von Sternburg expressed the gratification he felt at returning to the United States. "I appreciate the kindness with which the announcement of my coming has been received," he said. "It has all been very sudden. I had merely gone to Berlin for a short time on my way back to Calcutta when orders came to return to Washington as quickly as possible and assume charge of the embassy in the absence of the ambassador. As I return to America as a minister plenipotentiary from my government I am reminded of the changes that have taken place since I was here more than ten years ago as a military attaché. Then your President was a Civil Service commissioner. I do not pose as a prophet, but when I first met Mr. Roosevelt I was deeply impressed with his untiring energy and essential sincerity of purpose. It was his combination which convinced me that some day I should see him at the head of this great nation. When I said goodbye to him upon my departure from Washington the first time I added: 'When I again congratulate you, Mr. Roosevelt, you will be one step nearer the White House.' On hearing of his appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Navy, I wrote him: 'Permit me to congratulate you on this second step nearer the Presidency,' and when he was elected Governor of New-York, I telegraphed him. 'The next time I offer you my congratulations it will be to President Roosevelt.' I believed he would be President, because I knew the staff he was made of, and the same opinion prevails in Europe. Your President is the personification of all that is good and great and healthy in America.

"You appreciate the fact that I cannot as yet talk of the primary object of my mission, the conduct of the Venezuelan negotiations. I shall take up the threads and proceed at once in my endeavors to effect a settlement. I want the American people to know Germany is as anxious for an early conclusion of this question as any of the negotiators. I am glad to see the point made that the Monroe Doctrine is not in any way involved in the Venezuelan situation."

AN EXPLANATION FROM BERLIN.

Berlin, Jan. 31.—The apparent hitch in the Venezuelan negotiations at Washington is explained here in the following manner:

Venezuela hypothesized to France some time ago 13 per cent of the customs receipts, which constituted a priority claim upon the Venezuelan Government. As the latter would then have only 17 per cent left, they regard it as inadequate, and hence are not willing to permit the execution of France's percentage. It is believed here that the blockade will not be raised until President Castro yields on this point.

GERMANY LOOKING FOR WARSHIPS.

Santiago, Chili, Jan. 31.—Private agents of Germany have proposed to the government the immediate purchase of the Chilean battleship Captain Prat and the armored cruiser Esmeralda, and have offered to take over the warships now being built in Europe for Chili.

Washington, Jan. 31.—The Navy Department has received full reports from agents abroad respecting the size, displacement, armament, defensive power, speed and cost of the vessels now building for Chili and Argentina in Europe. The Chilean battleships, two in number, are generally described as resembling the Alabama class of the United States Navy. It cannot be ascertained that any option for the sale of these ships has been secured, or indeed, has been considered. A general idea is made of a purpose to purchase ships which cannot be accomplished in any case without legislation by Congress. It is further pointed out that it is the practice of the Navy Department to secure such data wherever possible about all ships of sufficient merit in design to warrant study.

BIG WAVES HIT LA LORRAINE.

Passengers Tumbled Out of Their Berths—Rough Weather Voyage.

Twice in the course of the voyage of La Lorraine, which sailed yesterday, that vessel was struck by giant waves which struck her from end and threw some of the passengers out of their berths. The vessel experienced such rough weather that some of the passengers declared that these waves were only incidents of the voyage.

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TO HARNESS HOUSATONIC.

New-Haven, Conn., Jan. 31.—An important project to open up the now sparsely settled Housatonic River Valley for manufacturing purposes has come out this week in a bill presented to the legislature by the General Assembly. It gives the New-Haven Power Company the privilege of building three dams across the Housatonic River at Kent, New-Canaan and Salisbury, each to be the future site of an electric power generating plant. Altogether these three new dams, with the one already built, will cover a territory some forty miles in length. It is expected when the electric power is assured that there will be an immediate activity in manufacturing lines along the Housatonic River.

TRUST CARRIAGES OR NO FUNERAL.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 31.—J. N. Richards, an undertaker, upset the arrangements for a funeral to-day by refusing to officiate if the Anti-Trust Carriage Company's carriages were used. Walter Williams, fourteen months old, was to be buried from the home of his grandfather, W. C. Micallef, a retired real estate dealer, who had engaged the Anti-Trust carriages.

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END OF DUTCH STRIKE.

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Amsterdam, Jan. 31.—At a meeting of striking railroad men held here this evening a telegram was received from the Netherlands Railroad Company announcing that the company had agreed to the demands of its employees not to carry goods for the transportation companies in support of worse men the railroad men had gone out on strike. The State Railroad having agreed to act in accordance with the Netherlands company, the strike is considered to be at an end, and the early resumption of the railroad service is expected.

Transportation was almost discontinued here to-day. Up to noon the State Railroad had only managed to start three trains. These had guards of soldiers on board.

All traffic on the Netherlands Railroad is at a complete standstill, and the movements of troops are impeded, as they are obliged to leave the trains, and either march here or come to this city in boats.

It was announced this afternoon that the directors of the State Railroad had agreed to stop the entire service to and from Amsterdam, owing to the threat of the strikers' committee to proclaim a strike through the country unless they did so.

Cavalry and marines from various stations have been brought here to reinforce the local garrison, and the Dutch ironclad Eversten is held in readiness at Nieuwe-Diep, the entrance to the Amsterdam ship canal, to come here if required. The postal service hence to Haarlem and Utrecht is carried on by motor cars.

CABINET COUNCIL AT THE HAGUE.

The Hague, Jan. 31.—A special Cabinet council was called to-day to consider the strike situation, but as the Netherlands Railroad is a private company the ministry decided that it could not interfere except to preserve order.

As a precautionary measure the militiamen of the 1902 levy have been ordered to rejoin the colors.

DIED TO GET HIS VIOLIN.

Its Owner Rushed Into Blazing House To Be Burned to Death.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] Saratoga, N. Y., Jan. 31.—While attempting to save a valuable violin from his burning house at Bacon Hill to-day, Edward Diamond was overcome by smoke and was burned to death.

TYPHOID ALARMS ITHACA.

So Many Cases Churches May Be Used for Hospitals.

Ithaca, N. Y., Jan. 31.—The epidemic of typhoid fever which recently broke out in Ithaca has now attained alarming proportions. The nurses of the City Hospital were obliged to-day to give up their rooms to furnish more beds for patients. Beds may soon be placed in churches. The Rev. C. W. Peiser, of the Unitarian Church, offers to turn the building into a hospital. There are at least two hundred cases in the city at present, and the list is rapidly increasing.

THE PENNSYLVANIA OR SOUTHERN.

Either One of These Railroads Said To Be Planning Control of St. L. and S. F. R. R.

St. Louis, Jan. 31.—The Post-Dispatch "to-day is authority for the statement that at the meeting of the board of directors of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railway system in New-York February 5 a proposition for leasing the road will be passed upon. There are four bidders at this time, the Pennsylvania, the Southern, the Chicago and Northwestern and the Rock Island. According to a local authority heavily interested in the road, the contest has narrowed down to the Pennsylvania and the Southern.

CHOSEN QUEEN OF COMUS BALL.

New-Orleans Club Repudiates Refusal of Invitation to Miss Roosevelt.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] New-Orleans, Jan. 31.—Miss Alice Roosevelt, it is reported, will be chosen queen of the Comus ball in Mardi Gras week. John McHenry, a member of the Rough Riders, in whose family Miss Roosevelt will be a guest during the carnival, said to-day that a reliable report to that effect had reached him.

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Chicago, Jan. 31.—A bill in equity was filed here to-day in the State Circuit Court by C. H. Verner & Co., of Boston, through their counsel, James Hamilton Lewis, against the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company, of Illinois; the Rock Island Railroad Company, of Iowa; the Rock Island Company, of New-Jersey; the Central Trust Company, of New-York; and the officers, directors and many stockholders of those companies, including William H. and James H. Moore, William B. Leeds, Daniel G. Reid, H. C. Frick, Marshall Field and Ogden Mills, attacking the validity of the late reorganization of the Rock Island system and the legality of the issue of \$75,000,000 of the new stock, and demanding that the Iowa and New-Jersey companies be declared frauds, as created in violation of the Illinois constitution, and that the Central Trust Company, the holder of the stocks and bonds of the consolidated roads, be enjoined from voting the stock or acting as trustee in Illinois; also that the officers be declared guilty of a fraud on the minority stockholders, and a receiver be appointed for the stock properties.

Verner & Co. say that they represent a majority of the dissenting stockholders. About \$300,000 is represented in the bill. There has been it is said, some feeling among certain stockholders of the system since the reorganization was effected, last July.

The C. H. Verner Banking Company, of Boston, and Calvin Geer began proceedings in the spring of 1901 in New-Jersey to restrain the Amalgamated Copper Company from purchasing the Boston and Montana and Butte and Boston copper mining companies. Vice-Chancellor Pitney dismissed the temporary restraining order, with costs. The complainants began their proceedings as the holders of 24 shares of the Amalgamated Copper Company's stock, out of a total of 25,000 shares.

In May, 1902, the Verner Company and James Politz, as the owners of 99 shares of United States Steel Corporation stock, applied to the court for an injunction to restrain the steel corporation from issuing \$200,000,000 of 5 per cent bonds, and at the same time retiring a similar amount of old stock. The application was denied on June 5 by Judge Lacombe, in the United States Circuit Court.

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CALLED TO HIS DOOR AND SHOT.

Pittsburg Man Returns Fire of Assassin—Knows No Reason for Attempt on His Life.

Pittsburg, Jan. 31.—G. B. Allison, a well known electrical contractor of this city, was called to the door of his home at Sheridan, a suburb, early this morning, and shot by an unknown person. The bullet entered the left breast, and, without piercing the lungs, lodged in the right shoulder. He is resting easy to-day.

Mr. Allison was awakened shortly before 2 o'clock by loud ringing and knocking at the front door. Securing his revolver, he went downstairs and opened the door. No one was there and he stepped onto the porch and was peering into the darkness, when a shot was fired from the side of the house and Mr. Allison fell. He quickly raised himself by the porch railing and fired three shots after the assassin.

Mrs. Allison, on hearing the shots, rushed downstairs and found her husband half kneeling and holding his revolver. She was quickly summoned, but on account of Mr. Allison's condition no attempt was made to extract the bullet.

No reason is known for the attempt on Mr. Allison's life, and the identity of the man who fired the shot is a mystery. It is said that an infernal machine was sent to Mr. Allison last Thursday, but it failed to work when the box was opened.

This morning it was said that the shooting was the result of political trouble which Mr. Allison has had in the borough. Another reason given is that the impression prevailed that Mr. Allison was connected with the anti-saloon league, as the box containing the revolver directed to "C. B. Allison, Secretary of the Anti-Saloon League." It is denied that Mr. Allison is in any way connected with the league. He is forty-eight years old, and is manager of the Sheridan Electric Company.

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THE BLACK DIAMOND EXPRESS. The Lehigh, Having Cleared Its Lines of Freight, Will Restore the Flyer. Buffalo, Jan. 31.—Having cleared its lines of freight congestion, the management of the Lehigh Valley Railroad has decided to restore the Black Diamond Express, which was discontinued west of Wilkes-Barre some time ago. This train will run to and from Buffalo, beginning on Sunday, February 8. It will leave Buffalo at 11 a. m. PASSENGERS AND CREW SAVED. All Aboard the Crescent City Taken to San Francisco. Fish Rock, Cal., Jan. 31.—After a night of comparative comfort, due to plentiful supplies of wood and provisions and to improvised shelters, the fifteen persons who were cast on the Fish Rock as the result of the grounding of the steamer Crescent City at an early hour yesterday were taken off this morning shortly after daylight, and are now on their way to San Francisco on board a tug sent from that city to the relief of the passengers and crew. The Crescent City is lying in a good position, and if the wind will continue to blow from a favorable quarter there is every probability that she can be pulled from her perilous position to a safe anchorage. The sudden fall of the wind was all that saved the little steamer from total destruction.

LUMBER STEAMER LAUNCHED. New-York News, Va., Jan. 31 (Special).—The lumber steamer Francis H. Leggett, building for the Hammond Lumber Company, of San Francisco, was launched to-day. Mrs. Archer M. Huntington naming the vessel in place of Miss Frances H. Leggett, who was unable to get here in time. It is expected that the ship will be ready to start for the coast within three months. The Leggett is 250 feet long by 41 feet beam, 16 feet draught and has a tonnage of 3,600. WOOLLEN MILLS SHUT DOWN. Maynard, Mass., Jan. 31.—All departments of the Assabet mills of the American Woolen Company, with the exception of the wet and dry finishing rooms, shut down to-day. Work it is expected, will be resumed on February 12. S. Raymond Kitchin, the cashier, states that the step was taken because of the large amount of unfinished cloth ahead of the mills. The Assabet mills employ about twenty-three hundred hands. About five hundred of this number will remain at work. FREIGHT STEAMER TOTAL LOSS. Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 31.—The freight steamer Gulf Stream of the Clyde Line, from New-York for Falladephia, which went aground yesterday on a sand bar near Avalon, N. J., is a total loss. She has broken in two and is full of water. Captain Swain and some of the crew who remained aboard the vessel in the hope that she might be saved were landed by the livesavers last night.

INTEREST IN MONETARY ENDEAVOR. Mexico City, Jan. 31.—The news from Washington regarding the joint endeavor of Mexico and China to accomplish something toward restoring and maintaining a fixed relationship between the moneys of gold standard and silver using countries excites the liveliest interest in business and financial circles here. The action was primarily taken by Limantour, the Finance Minister, who sent a committee to Washington with instructions to secure, if possible, the co-operation of China. THE TRIGG SHIPBUILDING PLANT. Richmond, Va., Jan. 31.—It is reported on good authority that the Trigg shipbuilding plant here has been bought by the United States Shipbuilding Company. "No steps, to my knowledge," said Mr. Wells, "have been taken in that direction." THE LITTLE ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE narrow columns look small, but the offers they represent are, in some instances, as big as a house. A HOUSEHOLD KILLED. Teneha, Texas, Jan. 31.—Charles Rowe, his wife and their three children were found dead at their home near here yesterday. The three children had been slaughtered with an axe. Mrs. Rowe's throat was cut and Rowe had his throat cut with a scythe over the stage which runs between this city and Marville. There were several passengers in the stage at the time of the accident, but no one was hurt. WIND BLOWS STAGE OVER. Schenectady, N. Y., Jan. 31.—The gate of wind that swept this section of the State this morning blew over the stage which runs between this city and Marville. There were several passengers in the stage at the time of the accident, but no one was hurt. Teneha, Texas, Jan. 31.—Charles Rowe, his wife and their three children were found dead at their home near here yesterday. The three children had been slaughtered with an axe.