

HAND AS A STOCK VENDER.
POSTMASTER-GENERAL'S CONFIDENTIAL CLERK UNDER FIRE.

Alleged That He Sold Shares in a Mexican Mining Company in Which He Was Interested to Employees in the Department—Payne to Act Soon.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—When Postmaster-General Payne returns to Washington on Thursday from the Hanna wedding, at which he will decide whether to order a formal investigation by Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General Bristol of the official conduct of H. H. Rand, confidential clerk to the Postmaster-General, and for thirty years Mr. Payne's friend, employee and business associate.

Mr. Rand has recently achieved unenviable notoriety by reason of his close personal and business relations with former Superintendent August W. Machen of the Postal Delivery Service of the Post Office Department, who was recently indicted for accepting bribes in connection with contracts for the rural service, and who is now out on bail. So far as can be learned, no formal charges of misconduct have yet been filed against Mr. Rand.

It is known that Mr. Rand is vice-president of the National Capital Mining Company, of which he has secured ownership of valuable mining properties in Mexico, which are as yet undeveloped, but which give promise of proving extremely profitable. Former Superintendent Machen is president of this company, and a subordinate official of the Department named King is secretary. Mr. Rand says his connection with this company is perfectly legitimate and that he has sold no stock to the Department.

Concerning his relations with Mr. Machen he says: "After being in Mexico about a year I came to Washington with an option on some undeveloped property down there, valued about \$3,000 to secure the property, and shares of that amount are held by officers of the company, which I organized at the suggestion of Mr. Machen, the present head of the company. I have \$225 worth of the stock myself."

But despite this disclaimer by Mr. Rand it is known that shortly after the hurried resignation of former Superintendent Beavers of the Salary and Allowance Division, who got out at the beginning of the present inquiry, an appointment of Mr. Rand to the vacant position was made. The appointment was made by Mr. Machen, the most influential man in the Department. Mr. Machen is with me and Mr. Rand will speak to the Postmaster-General in my behalf.

The official referred to began to question the applicant, and finally he asked point blank if the applicant had any business with Machen and Rand.

"Very slightly," was the response.

"Are you a stockholder of the National Capital Mining Company, financed by Machen and Rand?" was the next question asked.

The applicant reluctantly answered that he had no shares in the company.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT FOR MOROS.
New Province Organized—Military Commander to Be Governor.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
MANILA, June 9.—The Taft-Davis bill creating a Moro province has become a law. It places the new province in almost the same relation to the Philippine Commission as the commission is to Congress. A military commander is to be Governor, under the general supervision of the Governor of the Philippines. The province will be divided into five districts, including the Sulu Islands, the Tawi Tawi group, and all the island of Mindanao, except those parts inhabited by Filipinos.

The bill creates a legislative council, to be composed of the Governor, a secretary, treasurer, engineer, superintendent of schools and attorney general. The council will be empowered to organize local governments among the Moros and non-Christians. These governments will largely conform with tribal custom, and will observe the agreements heretofore made with the United States. The district officials will adjust difficulties between the Sultan's subordinate headmen, and will enforce the law, decisions. The codification of the Moro laws is provided for.

The bill minutely specifies the jurisdiction of the several local courts in actions arising between non-Christians other than the Moros, who will be governed by modified tribal laws. Actions between non-Christians and Moros, Moros and Christians or Christians and Americans or foreigners, will come under the Philippine laws. The jurisdiction of the courts of first instance are extended, and the suppression of slavery is provided for.

The salary of the Governor will be \$4,000 a year. He will appoint the district officials with the consent of the council. He may also use and direct the constabulary and police, and may request direct assistance from the army where the constabulary is insufficient, without reference to the military authorities. The appointment of many army officers, but provides for a gradual transition from military to civil officials.

ARABS BLOWN UP.
Bombardment Explodes Gunpowder on the Ramparts.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
PARIS, June 9.—The representative of the Journal reached Duvevier yesterday when the bombardment of the Zengas, in a despatch to his paper, says the Arabs, who had spent the night in prayer, were greatly frightened. The Figulians, who foresaw that the French would come up to the walls of Zengas, placed grenades filled with gunpowder beneath the ramparts. When these exploded the Figulians themselves were blown up.

ALORNS, June 9.—Negotiations are progressing with the authorities of the Zengas tribe, which, it is understood, lost 600 men in yesterday's bombardment.

PEKIN TREASURY BURNED.
Fire Probably Started to Cover Theft by Officials.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
PEKIN, June 9.—The Imperial Treasury buildings, adjoining the legation quarter, from which the Japanese troops looted a million taels in 1900, were burned to-day. The Chinese fear that the fire was the result of an attempt by officers who had been looting the treasury to destroy the records before Na Tung, the newly appointed Imperial Treasurer, assumes the duties of his office.

WARNING FROM A COUNTESS.
LADY OF CASTELMENDARDO WON'T PAY SOMEBODY'S BILLS.

Whose? Well, Nobody's. Unless She Has Authorized Them—She's the Miss Van Buren Who Went to the Klondike and Wrote a Book About It—Her Marriage.

HACKENSACK, N. J., June 9.—The Englewood Press prints a notice from the Countess de Castelmendardo to the effect that she will be responsible for no bills unless they are authorized by her. The Countess called last Friday for Buenos Ayres.

This is not the first time the Countess de Castelmendardo has caused such notices to be printed. One of them appeared in the same paper in February, 1901. It was even more pointed in form, reading as follows: Please inform the stupid people of Englewood that I am perfectly willing to pay the debts for which I am responsible. Those for which I am not responsible I refuse to pay.

This was explained later by the Countess as referring not to her husband, the Count Vessicchio Gurgu de Castelmendardo, as some persons had supposed, but to debts contracted by her late mother, which should be settled by the executors of the estate.

The Countess was Miss Edith Van Buren, a daughter of Gen. Thomas B. Van Buren, and a niece of William Walter Phelps. At one time she caused a good deal of talk in Europe by visiting a number of fashionable watering places without a chaperon. Her Gibsonian type of beauty attracted much attention, which was not lessened by the report of her wealth, which followed her everywhere. Yet she remained single till she was 35 or thereabouts.

In 1898 Miss Van Buren got herself talked out again by going to the Klondike with Mrs. Raymond Hitchcock. They staked out a claim near Dawson and spent the winter selling canned goods to the miners on week days and singing hymns for them on Sundays. Both the food and the singing helped to make them popular. Their popularity became so great at last that Mrs. Hitchcock departed in a huff.

Miss Van Buren started out alone for some time and then started on a trip round the world. On that trip she wrote a book and found a husband. The book was entitled "Two Women in the Klondike," and it had a good publisher. The husband was met at Nice in the person of the Count de Castelmendardo, a small, slender Italian, who was ten years the senior of Miss Van Buren.

The Count and Countess came to this country in December, 1900, and settled at a country house owned by the Countess near Englewood, N. J. In May of that year the Count went to live at the Holland House. The Countess was made ill by worry, but the Count refused to come back for a long while. Their differences were settled at last, however.

Miss Thomas B. Van Buren, mother of the Countess, died in January, 1901, leaving the larger part of her estate, valued at \$200,000, to her daughter.

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LESS DANGER FROM FLOODS.
LEVEE HOLDS AT EAST ST. LOUIS AND CITY IS SAFE.

Suffering in the Inundated Illinois Towns—Many Families Living in Box Cars—Many Farms Under Water Along the Mississippi—River Rising, but Slowly.

ST. LOUIS, June 9.—The river to-night registers 37.75 feet and is rising slowly. Unless heavy rains or wind storms come it is believed that little, if any, additional damage will be done.

East St. Louis is believed to be secure, as the main levee, a mile and a half in length, has been so strengthened that it is not probable that it will give way. It was a close call, however, 1,000 men working night and day to hold this embankment. Traffic across both bridges spanning the Mississippi has been suspended. The piers supporting the viaduct across the Cahokia Creek, which approach East St. Louis, proper, were so weakened by the pressure of the flood that Mayor Cook ordered it closed to traffic.

In the trities of Venice, Madison and Granite City, the conditions are deplorable. More than half the population are refugees, while those remaining are living in box cars on the high-water railroads embankments, with water touching the bottom of their temporary abodes, or in the upper stories or attics of the few houses remaining in the city. In Granite City, which is above the flood, and in St. Louis, the people driven from their homes. Thieves are looting the city with the utmost vigilance of the patrol.

Many people saved their household effects from the floods only to have them carried away in ships by these pirates. South of St. Louis, as far as Cape Girardeau, 140 miles below, it is one vast expanse of water, the floods rising from a bluff to bluff on each side of the Mississippi. It consists of 12,000 square miles of land, all farming lands have been submerged and will be practically ruined. There is a stretch of 115 miles in this great stretch of country, few buildings can be discerned standing clear of the water.

RELIEF FOR WASHED OUT TOWNS.
Mayor Low's Committee Wires \$10,000—Kansas City, Kan., Needs \$250,000.

Mayor Low's special committee for the relief of the sufferers by the flood and tornado in various parts of the country met yesterday afternoon under the chairmanship of Cornelius N. Bliss and decided to wire these sums at once to meet immediate needs: To Topeka, Kan., \$40,000; Kansas City, Kan., \$40,000; Gainesville, Ga., \$1,000; Spartanburg, S. C., \$1,000.

Circulars were adopted for distribution among the business men, asking for the condition in the devastated districts and calling for subscriptions. Replies were received to a number of telegrams sent to the Mayors and relief committees in the places affected.

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HUNDREY EARLINGS.
Man of 94 at Head of the Dinner Table—A Remark of Two.

Dr. J. B. Rich, who is 94 years old, presided last night at the Hotel Majestic at a dinner of the Hundred Year Club. He said he thought it possible for everybody to live ninety-four years by taking proper care. His friends say he never drank a cup of coffee, tea or cocoa.

F. M. Heath said wind purified the air around the thought, "I wonder how many people are blessed in this way."

L. S. Brown said that he wanted to go fishing when he gets to heaven and that he would like to let in a gentleman of that way of thinking.

There were several vegetarians at the table. They feasted on olives and radishes and drank Kirchwasser punch.

MRS. PORTER'S FUNERAL MONDAY.
Wife of the Ambassador Will Be Buried in West Long Branch.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., June 9.—The body of Mrs. Horace Porter, wife of Ambassador Porter, which will arrive on Saturday on the steamship New York, will be buried in the Porter plot at West Long Branch. The body will be brought to Elberon on Saturday evening. The funeral services will take place on Monday at 11 o'clock. George W. Loring, who has lived for 70 years in Elberon during the summer.

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TITUS COULDN'T ENTER CLUB.
Used His Cigar as a Weapon When He Spoke Evidence Against the Nomads.

Efforts on the part of the police to get evidence against the Nomad Club, at 600 East 143d street, which they believe to be a poolroom, resulted yesterday in Capt. Geoghegan of the Alexander avenue station having Thomas McLoughlin, George Ryan and James Jenkins summoned before Magistrate Baker in the Morrisania police court on the charge of maintaining a gambling house. The case was adjourned until to-day.

The Nomad Club was organized last September with a membership of 800. Its building is a two-story and basement private house. It is said that no member is allowed to bring anybody in with him, and that no new members have been admitted since the club was organized.

Last Monday Inspector Titus himself tried to get in. The man at the gate dares him to come in. Titus lost his temper and yelled: "If you'll come out here in the yard I'll lick you."

The man didn't accept, and the inspector, in a rage, thrust his cigar in the man's face. When the man said, "You'll pay dearly for this," the inspector apologized.

Detective Mallon was then stationed at the gate to take down the names of all the men he saw enter. Charles McClure, a member of the North Side Republican Club in The Bronx, was one of the ten.

Two Drowned in Seneca River.
STRUCTURE, June 9.—George T. Carr, 28 years old, and his nephew, Frederick Carr, 22 years, were drowned in Seneca River, nine miles from the city, at 1 o'clock this afternoon, while on a fishing trip.

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