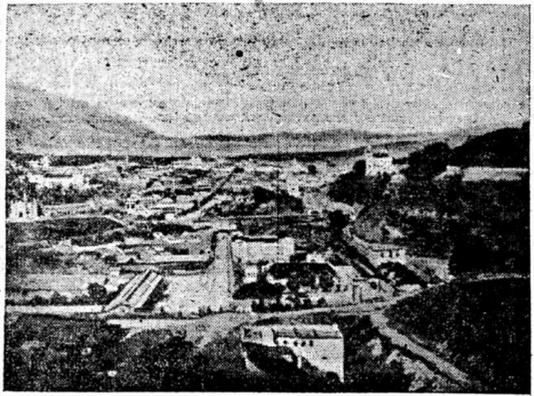


bia and because section 3 of said article puts no obstacle in the way of a diplomatic defense against German claims arising out of acts committed by the Colombian government or its organs. Likewise the affirmations of the Venezuelan government are not correct that foreign claims consequent on Venezuelan civil wars have never been arranged by diplomatic course, because like arrangements Venezuela concluded with France in 1885 and with Spain in 1898, and a formal agreement was signed on the 6th of February, 1896, between the German minister at Caracas and the Venezuelan minister, the order of the respective governments, for the arrangement of the German claims consequent on the civil war of 1892.

"No can importance be given to the other objection of the Venezuelan government that diplomatic defense of the present claims is inadmissible because an article in the withdrawal of the Venezuelan consul-general from Port of Spain, Trinidad, by orders of his government. Notice of the fact came to the state department from United States Consul Smith at Port of Spain. It is presumed that Venezuela has sent out similar orders."

love that neither Great Britain nor Germany proposes to dispatch an expeditionary force into the interior of Venezuela, both powers intending to confine their operations to the coast. It is understood, however, that a joint force will occupy the cable station at La Guaira. It is stated in official quarters that Germany believes the only feasible method of punishing President Castro and his coadjutors is to deprive them of their monetary supplies, which can be effected by seizing the custom house.

**CARACAS, FROM LA GUAIRA STATION**



Capital of Venezuela, now the center of international complications.

anterior to the 23d of May, 1899 (which is the date of the rising blood) as the present president of the republic is excluded, yet Venezuela will naturally have to answer for the acts in forming governments. Secretly, diplomatic activities against revolutions or by commission we must exclude, appeal to the federal high court being alone permitted. In spite of this, however, as has been seen, there were some cases where judicial employees depended on the Venezuelan government and when occasion has arisen they have been deprived of their offices without formality.

"Finally the payment of any claims which the commission might allow was to be affected by certificates of a new debt to be created for that purpose, which from what has been seen hitherto would scarcely have value.

"In fact, it is proposed to employ by the Venezuelan government has not led to a satisfactory solution of the claims. In particular the few German claims which would be presented to the commission have been, in part, unseemly refused, in part reduced, evidently in an arbitrary manner and even the recognized claims have been asked to submit to a process of law to be submitted to congress.

ders to all her other consuls in British and German possessions to withdraw from their posts. These withdrawals would not be particularly serious but for the fact that they indicate a purpose on the part of President Castro to proceed to extremes in his quarrel with the allies.

The state department has not been advised of the rejection of President Castro's proposal to arbitrate the dispute as transmitted through Minister Bowen.

Secretary Hay had a busy time to-day conferring with senators and representatives of the commission. He was particularly anxious as to the Venezuelan situation. No one was able to suggest, however, how the attitude of the state department could be improved upon at this moment.

**ANTI TRUST MEASURES**

**A Hearing To-day Before the House Subcommittee on Judiciary.**

Washington, Dec. 13.—Hearings were begun to-day before the subcommittee on judiciary of the house, consisting of Representatives Littlefield (Maine), Overman (Indiana), Powers (Massachusetts), Deamond (Missouri) and Clayton (Alabama) on the anti-trust bill.

Mr. Overman (Indiana) introduced a bill which has introduced a resolution authorizing \$250,000 for the use of the attorney general in enforcing the Sherman antitrust act. He stated that he had shown his resolution to the attorney general, who, he said, was favorable to it. Mr. Morrell also said that he had shown the bill to the president, who authorized him to say that he was heartily in favor of its provision. Mr. Morrell explained that the president, however, had no authority of dictating in any way to the committee.

**BUYS LAND AT THE FALLS**

**Company Backed by Local Men Will Develop Fort Francis, Manitoba.**

The International Falls Investment company has been formed with a capital of \$75,000 and a liability limit of \$25,000. The incorporators are Ludwig L. Enger, Leonard H. Nord, Olaf Dams and Kristofer Oustad. The Canadian office is at Fort Francis. The company plans to deal in lands, etc., anywhere in the United States.

Mr. Enger is manager of the Northwest Homestead Leasing company, in the Temple Court, and Mr. Nord is field agent, stations at Fort Francis, or International Falls, as the terms of the guaranty of interest, must be considered in the same light.

"By order of the imperial government, I have to ask the Venezuelan government to make a declaration immediately that it recognizes in principle the correctness of these demands and is willing to accept the decision of a mixed commission with the object of having them determined and assured in all their details. The imperial government hopes the government of the republic will satisfy the just demands of Germany and not oblige the imperial government to enforce their satisfaction. At the same time the imperial government thinks it should not omit to mention that it has been informed by the German government of its claims against Venezuela. The two governments have agreed to proceed jointly and obtain satisfaction of all demands."

**ENGINES WRECKED**

**Collision Between Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls.**

Eau Claire, Wis., Dec. 13.—Last night a short line train on the Omaha railroad between Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls collided with a switch engine which was backing at fast speed on a curve and on a high embankment of the Chippewa river. The train was wrecked and was locked together and remained on the track.

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**OPENING DEBATES OF HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE**

**Ninth District Leads Off in the Second Struggle for The Journal's Cup—Fergus Falls Debaters Win From Ada and Crookston Defeats East Grand Forks—Great Interest Shown in the Contests.**

Fergus Falls, Minn., Dec. 13.—The Fergus Falls, high school debating team met and vanquished the Ada high school team in a fine contest. The Fergus Falls team in fine form, and are confident that the young men who represent this city are on the high way to state championship which was won by winning a year ago. The debate took place early in the evening and aroused great interest. The largest hall in the village was crowded to the top and the audience enjoyed and appreciated the good points made on both sides.

**UNANIMOUS FOR CROOKSTON**

Special to The Journal. Crookston, Minn., Dec. 13.—A special train carrying 200 high school pupils and their friends went to East Grand Forks yesterday to attend the debate between teams chosen from the high schools of the two cities, one of the first contests for The Minneapolis Journal prize. The debate was held in the assembly room of the high school building, which was crowded to its capacity, every inch of available space being filled with seats.

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**Important Interview With Sir Thomas Shaughnessy on Canadian-American Relations.**

**He Gives Out an Interesting Budget of News About Extensions and Improvements.**

From a Staff Correspondent. Montreal, Que., Dec. 13.—Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific, in one of those Americans who have submitted very docilely to Canadianization. In his youth in Milwaukee Mr. Shaughnessy would probably have not been very respectful to any of his playmates who might have told him that he would one day be a British subject and sport a handle on his name. But, however that may be, Sir Thomas now professes to be a most excellent Canadian—and doubtless he is. In this day of gigantic industrial and transportation systems nations are becoming more and more than political organizations. And so much of talent change their patriotism with as much ease as they go from one employment to another, the salary being better. If some American road had got Mr. Shaughnessy before the Canadian Pacific found out his worth, he would be a very loyal subject, and might even now be opposing reciprocity with Canada as of no benefit to the United States. But as it is Mr. Shaughnessy serves the Canadian Pacific and the Dominion of Canada and the British Empire, and after all he is American, and if he has been Canadianized in some external he has done his duty towards the Americanization of Canada, which, despite all the efforts to arouse feeling against the United States, goes on at such a rate that the changes are pronounced from year to year.

**FINANCES OF STATE**

**Treasurer Block Issues His Annual Report of State's Condition.**

Julius H. Block, state treasurer, to-day gave out copies of his annual report, covering the fiscal year ending June 30, 1902. Two recommendations are made to the legislature.

One is in regard to depositories for state funds. The state law of 1901, regulating the conditions under which state funds may be loaned to banks, provides that the limit of deposit shall be one-half the penalty of the bond given. Mr. Block says this is undoubtedly drawn to protect the state treasury, but that it works a hardship on those banks which give a corporate surety bond. He recommends an amendment which will allow banks giving a surety bond to receive deposits equal to the amount given as the penalty of the bond.

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**A LONG SEASON OF TALK**

**The Stated Campaign to Begin Monday in the Senate—Mr. Nelson's Speech.**

From The Journal Bureau, Room 45, Post Building, Washington.

Washington, Dec. 13.—The majority of the senate committee on territories has completed its plan of stated campaign. Speechmaking will begin next Monday and continue uninterrupted until next Saturday, when congress will adjourn for the holidays to reconvene on Jan. 5. One of the earliest speeches by Senator Nelson, who has been asked by Senator Beveridge of the committee to prepare the leading legal argument on the substitute bill providing for the conversion of Oklahoma into a Territory as one state. Senator Nelson has been busy looking up old records and other data. He has classified Beveridge will also defend the substitute bill. The debate will run during several weeks after the holidays, probably by which time the appropriation bills will be introduced. The substitute bill, however, will side-track the territory bill and there is a bare possibility that the short session will adjourn without action.

**IN ROLE OF MATADOR**

**Arthur Anderson, Former West Hotel Bell Boy, 'Flags' a Bull.**

**Thrilling Experience in a Mexican City—Boy Who 'Won His Way.'**

From captain of the West Hotel bell boys' brigade to cow-puncher, bull-fighter and partner of a silver mine in old Mexico, Arthur Anderson has had a varied career. He is now in the role of matador at a bill fight in Juarez, Ju. On a wager that he could flag a bull, Arthur swung a red blanket over the animal's head and entered the enclosure, where he was soon made the special object of attack by an enraged beast. He imitated the tactics of his brother matadors, with such success that the best bull could do on the opening onslaught was to carry away the blanket. On the next charge the American boy managed to side-step out of harm's way as the lowering bull swept by. That was enough for him. Before the brute could reverse and come again, Arthur was making fast tracks for a trap door provided for such emergencies at the side of the arena. The bull was soon in close pursuit and as the Minneapollitan ducked nimbly into the opening, the bull brought up with a resounding bang against the wall.

**BANKS FIGURE SAFE**

**Loans Secured by Stocks Being Quietly Called—No Change in Other Securities.**

**Local Financial Men Express Regret Over the Utterances of James J. Hill.**

Minneapolis banks have been quietly calling in loans for several days. An effort is being made to scale down the accounts by the elimination of such loan commitment as has stocks for security. The banks are not anxious to take stocks as collateral at this time. The eyes of feeling have been turned to the banks, and the proportion of Minneapolis bank loans on stock collateral, so small a proportion as ordinarily would be unimportant.

**MUTE TESTIMONY**

**Wreckage From the Bannockburn Found Off Grand Marais.**

Special to The Journal. Grand Marais, Mich., Dec. 13.—A life preserver belonging to the ill-fated steamer Bannockburn was picked up here to-day by the life-saving crew. It bore the appearance of having slipped off a body and the life-savers are in the lookout for the remains. Pieces of wreckage have also come ashore.

**A QUESTION OF COACHES**

**Professionals Barred a Month Before the Opening of the Henley Regatta.**

London, Dec. 13.—At a meeting of the Henley regatta committee to-day it was decided by a vote of thirteen to two to exclude all professional rowers from the regatta within a month of the opening of the regatta.

**KILLED HIS FATHER**

**George Bowers Convicted at Waukesha, Wis.**

Waukesha, Wis., Dec. 13.—George Bowers was to-day convicted of murder in the first degree. He was found guilty of killing his father several weeks ago. A stay of sentence was granted, pending arguments for a new trial.

**BODIES FOUND**

**Gunderson and Thorson Tried to Cross the Bay at Escanaba.**

Special to The Journal. Escanaba, Mich., Dec. 13.—The bodies of Ole Gunderson and S. Thorson, who attempted to cross the bay Tuesday evening, were found last evening nine miles from the landing in three feet of water.

AND GOT A SWEET WELCOME. Philadelphia Press. "And after I got on the car," said young Markley, who had asked and received permission to go to the car, "I saw a man in a red coat and a hat, and he was carrying a bundle. I saw him go into a store and buy a candy store—and when you come out you walk two blocks east."

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**OSTRICH LOGIC.**

"When I can't see danger there is no danger." That's the logic of the ostrich which hides its head and exposes its body to the hunter. There are not a few people who seem to have gone to the ostrich to learn logic. The most dangerous enemies of humanity are the enemies which can't be seen, the disease germs which are invisible to the eye. It is harder to get the microbe out of the blood than to keep it out, but Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery does both, by purifying the blood and then keeping it pure.

If there are eruptions on the skin, boils, pimples, sores or other signs of impure blood, Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which will purify the blood and cure the eruptions which come from it.

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**SOME BAD BANKING**

**Treasury Officials Say the Wall St. Situation Is Due to It.**

New York, Dec. 13.—The treasury department considers itself eliminated from the present condition of the money market. Secretary of the Treasury Shaw finds his cash reduced to the limit of available working balance. There is no need to accept municipal bonds or other securities for deposits of government money. Banks are already offering government bonds as security for deposits, but there are no loose funds for deposit.

**WHAT ARE HUMORS?**

They are vitiated or morbid fluids coursing in the veins and affecting the tissues. They are commonly due to defective digestion but are sometimes inherited. How do they manifest themselves? In many forms of cutaneous eruption, salt rheum or eczema, pimples and boils, and in weakness, languor, general debility. How are they expelled? By Hood's Sarsaparilla which also builds up the system that has suffered from them. It is the best medicine for all humors.

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