

IN ENGLAND WAGES HAVE BECOME LESS

Some Have Increased But the Net Result Has Been a Decline.

BIG COMPANY IS FORMED FOR BRAZIL IMPROVEMENT

Society Is Formed For Sending Jewish Immigrants to Various Parts of the West.

London, Dec. 24.—The annual report of the board of trade on wages and hours of labor in the United Kingdom has been published from which it appears that the changes in wages during the year resulted in a net reduction. The amount of decrease however, measured in weekly loss of wages, is very small, smaller in fact than for the four preceding years, while in the first half of the present year there was, on the whole, a decided upward movement. In the four years 1901, 1904, reductions in the rates of wages of coal miners formed the predominant factor. In 1905 the wages in the industry continued to decline, but there was an important advance in the cotton trade, and wages also rose in the pig iron, and iron and steel manufacturing industries. The report goes on to say "taking into account the various dates at which the changes in the years' wages bill due to the changes recorded in this report, may be roughly estimated at \$554,781, as compared with a decrease of \$4,564,777 in 1904, and \$11,952,950 in 1902." For the first half of this year \$832,526 work people had a net increase in their wages, the total increase in all wages amounting to \$128,000 a week and for the same time the hours of work were decreased by 41,902. The report winds up by stating that wages at present are high and food cheap.

GREAT NEW HARBOR FOR BRAZIL.

Portland, Me., Dec. 24.—A company has been incorporated under the laws of this state with an authorized issue of \$10,000,000 for the purpose of constructing and operating an extensive harbor and docks at Para, at the mouth of the Amazon river, for facilitating the shipment of freight to and from the interior of Brazil. Sir Wm. Van Horne is president of the company which is composed mostly of New York financiers. The federal government of Brazil has given the company a concession for their operation on the Para river at Para, opposite the island of Marajo. Para is one of the principal commercial centers in north Brazil, and has a population of 150,000 persons. The syndicate has been granted the exclusive rights to impose port dues on all vessels entering the harbor.

TO RELIEVE CONGESTED CONDITIONS OF JEWS.

New York, Dec. 24.—Leading Jews in the country realizing the necessity of action to relieve congested conditions of the Jewish quarters in this city, Chicago and other large cities, met Saturday to discuss plans. It was decided to take all possible steps to divert Jewish immigration to the west and with this object in view an association was formed. No efforts will be made to encourage immigration but all poor Jews who arrive in this and other Atlantic ports will have an opportunity to go to cities and towns in the south and west. It was decided to establish agencies and bureaus of information in New York, Galveston, Texas, and other ports.

MAINE'S ICE CROP WILL BE LARGE THIS YEAR.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 24.—It is expected that five or six hundred thousand tons of ice will be cut for shipment further south this year. The ice crop is already good and operations have been commenced.

GREAT SHORTAGE OF RAW SILK IN AMERICA.

New York, Dec. 24.—There is a great shortage of raw silk in this country and things point to a still further reduction in the quantity. Last year the world's production of silk was nearly 3,000,000 pounds shorter than the previous year. The returns for this year have not been completed but from Europe, Japan and China come reports that the crop will be the smallest for many years.

FLORIDA'S MULLET EXPORTS DURING SEASON.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 24.—The mulllet season just closed 3,516,400 pounds of mullet and other fish were exported from the small fishing ports of Punta Garda. The bulk of the shipments went to Jacksonville, Savannah and Charleston, from which points they were distributed. The crews have all been paid off and will not resume work until January 1st. Bottom fish is now being extensively taken all along the east coast and part of the fleet is after Spanish mackerel.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY TEAM TO COME WEST.

New York, Dec. 24.—The schedule of the Columbia university basketball team's western trips was announced today. They will make an extended tour of the western cities leaving here on December 28. Games will be played with the University of Wisconsin, Appleton Business college of Illinois, and several of the leading teams, including the Y. M. C. A. Chicago Central, and others.

YAQUIS ARE TROUBLE.

Chihuahua, Mex., Dec. 24.—All the mines in this district are being deserted on account of the Yaqui trouble and the country is almost dead as far as mining is concerned. For Mexican soldiers in small detachments are patrolling the country, but owing lands of Yaquis are ranging

President's Namesake Sued By a Buxom Concert Singer

TREODORE ROOSEVELT PELL WAS AN ARDENT WOOPER, SAYS MISS ROBERT—HE SAYS IT'S BLACKMAILING ACTION.

Special Correspondence.
New York, Dec. 24.—If the melodramatic utterances of Miss Alma Robert, the former concert singer, are proven, Theodore Roosevelt Pell, 23, whom she is suing for breach of promise, was an ardent wooer.

Miss Robert declares that the namesake and distant relative of the president pursued her for two years, penned her torrid love epistles, threatened to commit suicide in the event of their being separated, referred to her as his "cuckoo darling," "little lump of gold," "sweetheart forever," and "heart of a thousand joys."

Three years ago fashionable society in New York and Philadelphia attended the wedding of young Pell and Miss Florence Cramp, heiress to the millions of the famous shipbuilding family.

When the sensational suit was brought by Miss Robert, S. Osgood Pell, Teddy's brother, said that Teddy's only knowledge of the woman was gained when he took her about town showing her property for rent. He said that E. S. Cramp, his father-in-law, advised him to fight the woman and prove her a blackmailer. Teddy says Miss Robert looks "over 40." That young lady claims only 25 years and modestly asserts that her friends cannot believe she is over 18.

She says: "I guess Teddy will not be so strong in his denials when I produce his letters in court. They are dreams of passion. Many were written after his marriage. He always kept me under the impression that he was unmarried. 'I deny that I have ever been a chorus girl. My song recitals at the Waldorf have been attended by many prominent women and my family is perhaps as good as that of Mr. Pell. I am a direct descendant from Louis Henri Philippe, king of France, and the present Duc d'Orleans is my fourth cousin.' 'Teddy Pell made love to me for two years, desperate love. He became so soft that at times I had to admonish him. It was kiss, kiss, kiss, all the time he was around. We had favorite tables at fashionable restaurants, we enjoyed many automobile rides, and he took me frequently to the theater. Of course, I became deeply in love with him. For him I abandoned my musical career. When I learned the truth, I decided to bring the suit.'"



MISS ALMA ROBERT.

over the country and making attacks on ranches, mines and travelers, wherever they get a chance. The government is doing all in its power to protect foreigners and its own people but the Indians have quit making general warfare and are carrying on the old war as banditti. It is confidently hoped that the trouble with the Indians will be wiped out in the course of twelve months as railways are being built through the country thus enabling the government to stop the depredations.

SURPLUS RESERVE AGAIN RESTORED

Improvement Is Due Almost Wholly to Gain in Cash.

SITUATION IS MUCH EASIER

Official Bank Statement Fully Realizes Expectations of Financiers.

New York, Dec. 24.—The financier says this week: "The official statement of the New York clearing banks fully realized early expectations and indicated an entire restoration of the surplus reserve, after showing deficiencies in each of the previous two weeks. This improvement in bank conditions was due almost wholly to important gains in cash; the loan account contributed only moderately to such improvement, showing but a small contraction. The gain in cash was \$6,125,800, and this amount almost exactly corresponded with that which was estimated upon the basis of the traceable movements of money during the week. It may be observed that this remarkable estimate in the estimates was obtained because of the fact that the data for the calculation was supplied by the records of cash movements at the sub-treasury. General deposits increased \$4,587,400, which is nearly \$1,000,000 below the total of the gain in cash, less the decrease on loans, and, therefore, the statement made only a fairly good proof. The required reserve against general deposits was augmented \$1,146,850, deducting which from the increase in reserve to \$2,280,500 surplus, against \$1,699,950 deficiency in the computed week. Computed upon the basis of deposits, less those of \$16,598,200 public funds—which, it may be noted, increased \$1,360,200 during the week—the surplus is \$7,430,450. Loans were contracted only \$483,000; it is surprising that, with the enormous liquidation in the stock market, and the heavy calling of loans by the banks, this item showed so small a decrease. The excess of loans over deposits was \$55,534,500, against \$60,604,500 in the previous week."

The statement of the clearing house banks for the week shows that the banks hold \$2,280,500 more than the legal reserve requirements. This is an increase of \$1,979,950, as compared with last week. The statement follows: Loans, \$1,027,183,300; decrease, \$483,000. Deposits, \$971,648,500; increase, \$4,587,400. Circulation, \$53,325,600; decrease, \$25,500. Legal tenders, \$69,265,500; increase, \$1,439,300. Specie, \$176,627,600; increase, \$4,687,500. Reserve, \$246,192,100; increase, \$6,125,800. Reserve required, \$242,912,200; increase, \$1,146,850. Surplus, \$3,280,500; increase, \$4,379,950. Ex-United States deposits, \$7,430,450; increase \$5,320,000. The surplus this week compares with a deficit last week of \$1,699,950.

A Miraculous Cure.
The following statement by H. M. Adams and wife, Henrietta, Pa., will interest parents and others. "A miraculous cure has taken place in our home. Our child had eczema 5 years and was pronounced incurable, when we read about Electric Bitters, and concluded to try it. Before the second bottle was all taken we noticed a change for the better, and after taking 7 bottles he was completely cured." It's up to date blood medicine and body building tonic. Guaranteed 50c and \$1.00 at all druggists.

It is said that Emperor Wilhelm punched the retiring minister of agriculture. Possibly the emperor was only giving him another decoration.

BAILEY CHILDREN RECEIVE NOTHING

Senator Brown Failed to Re-member Little Ones in Will.

SENSATION IN SALT LAKE

Offspring Declare They Will Establish Their Paternity in the Courts.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 24.—Had the late ex-Senator Arthur Brown foreseen his death at the hands of Mrs. Bradley, he could have devised no more ingenious retaliation than the post-mortem revenge contained in his will. The document, which was written August 24, 1906, four months before Mr. Brown was shot down at the Raleigh in Washington, was filed Saturday for probate.

"I do not devise, or give, or bequeath anything to any of the children of Mrs. Anna M. Bradley," is the language of it. "I do not think any child, or children born to Mrs. Anna M. Bradley is or are mine, but whether such child or children is or not I expressly provide that neither or any of them shall receive anything of my estate."

"I have never married Anna M. Bradley and never intended to. If she should pretend that any such relationship ever existed between us to justify such inference, I direct my executor to contest any claims of any kind she may present and I direct that she receive nothing from my estate."

The testator bequeaths all his property, valued at about \$75,000, to his two children by his first and second wife, Alice Brown and Max Brown. The children so specifically disinherited are Arthur, aged 7, and Mark, aged 3 years. The attorneys engaged by Mrs. Bradley's relatives in Salt Lake decline to discuss the will at this time, but there is scarcely a question that a contest will be instituted, as much for the establishing of their paternity as to secure a monetary consideration. This is more likely, as Mrs. Bradley is, or was a few months ago, in possession of letters signed with Brown's name in which the relationship with one or both of the children is acknowledged. In one of these letters, written after the birth of the first child, occurs the quotation:

"Your blood with mine combined, yet shall mount the chrome of kings."

The contents of the will has caused a sensation in Salt Lake and given rise to severe criticism of the dead lawyer. The document was filed by Max Brown, who is named as executor.

DEMING AFTER ARTESIAN WATER

As we go to press we learn that the machinery to drill the artesian well at Deming has been purchased and will arrive at an early date, says the Deming Graphic. This, of course, means that the actual drilling for artesian water here will soon be a grand reality. Artesian water once secured here will cause the country to develop like the spreading of the wild yam in an uncontrollable conflagration.

It will depend on the depth and the nature of the soil that will be penetrated in drilling as to the extent of time it will take to find a well, if water is struck at all, and it seems to be the general opinion it will be possibly at a depth not greater than 800 feet.

Deming has a country that has as rich and productive soil as is to be found in the west, and if artesian water is gotten the rest can easily be surmised.

WORK WAS AT ONCE BEGUN ON COLORADO

Harriman Having Complied With Request of President Roosevelt.

GANG OF HORSE THIEVES OPERATING IN COLORADO

El Paso Much Wrought Up Over Threatened Epidemic of Typhoid Fever There

New York: Replying to President Roosevelt's message concerning the inundation of the Salton basin by the Colorado river, for which the president held the California Development company responsible, President Harriman, of the Southern Pacific, pronounced the president's impression that the California Development company is a Southern Pacific enterprise to be erroneous. He added:

"The Southern Pacific had nothing to do with the work of the opening of the canal. We are not interested in its stock and in no way control it. We have lent it some money to assist in dealing with the situation."

"What the Southern Pacific company has done was for the protection of the settlers as well as of its tracks, but we have determined to move the tracks onto higher ground, anyway. However, in view of your message I am giving authority to the Southern Pacific officers in the west to proceed at once with efforts to repair the break, trusting that the government, as soon as you can procure the necessary congressional action, will assist us with the burden."

It is learned that renewed work on shutting out the river has already begun.

SMOOTH GANG OF HORSE THIEVES IN COLORADO.

Pueblo: One of the smoothest gangs of horse thieves that ever infested this part of the country is now said to be sauntering across the eastern portion of this state with some good animals picked up at or near Pueblo and Colorado Springs, as well as others belonging to people in Park county and other sections of Southern Colorado.

Among their pick-ups here was a fine black mare valued at \$120 and belonging to Dr. A. J. Monahan. This animal was taken out of the pasture at the ranch. Some cowboys who saw the bunch down the valley state that among their possessions was a fine blooded horse with a docked tail, believed to be one of those that recently disappeared from Colorado Springs and which are valued at several thousand dollars each.

It is stated that quite a number of good horses have disappeared from the towns and ranches in El Paso, Park, Pueblo, Fremont, Custer and other counties of this region of late, and it is now believed by the officers that this is a well organized gang of thieves having their representatives scattered over the regions in which they have been and where they intend to work. The horses are without doubt being taken east, probably shipped from points in Kansas and Nebraska, the shippers pretending to be buyers. None but the best to be found are taken. Bronchos seem to be immune from theft.

PASS CITY SUFFERS FROM TYPHOID FEVER

El Paso: The health board and the city council are taking very active measures to have the city thoroughly cleaned and all surface water removed. The typhoid fever scare has been very severe upon the market gardeners in the valley below town.

"The warning issued by City Physician Anderson against the use of unboiled water or milk or raw vegetables is working great hardship among the growers of the lower valley," said E. J. Hadlock, discussing the typhoid fever scare last night. Mr. Hadlock's truck garden, just below Washington park, on the county road, is one of the largest in the valley.

"Our people have over \$2,000 worth of celery alone that has gone as well as some of the Christmas market, but not a stalk of it is being sold. In some unaccountable way the impression has been created in the minds of the El Paso public that the valley gardeners have been using the fifth of the city for fertilizing purposes. Nothing could be further from the truth. Now is there a gardener in the valley using sewerage tainted water for irrigation purposes. So far as we are concerned we get our water from four sixty-foot wells. It has been analyzed and pronounced by competent chemists to be as pure as well water ever. As a matter of fact the analysis is almost identical with the analysis of the mesa water in use in El Paso. Our celery beds are irrigated with this well water solely. We do not even use river water on them."

GOVERNOR THINKS THAT PATRICK IS INSANE.

New York: That Albert T. Patrick has been driven insane by the terrific strain he has been under during almost five years in the death house in Sing Sing and in making the most remarkable fight for his life of any condemned man in modern times, is strongly intimated by Governor Higgins, who has commuted his sentence to imprisonment for life. Many letters, it is asserted, have been written to the governor recently by Patrick, and it is declared that the wording of some of these leave little or no doubt of the prisoner's insanity.

King of All Cough Medicines.

Dr. E. G. Case, a small center of Canton Center, Conn., who has been in the U. S. service for about sixteen years, says: "We have tried many cough medicines for croup, but Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is king of all and one to be relied upon every time. We also find it the best remedy for coughs and colds, giving certain results and leaving no bad after-effects." For sale by all druggists.

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