

THE PRIZE MONEY CASES

Justice Bradley Decides the Dewey and Sampson Suits.

Officers and Men Entitled to One-Half the Value of Ships and Stores Captured by Them—The Opinion in the Maria Theresa Controversy.

Justice Bradley today rendered his opinion in the prize money cases of Admirals Dewey and Sampson and their respective officers and crews. In the suit of Admiral Dewey on behalf of his officers and men for prize money...

In the case of Rear Admiral Sampson, his officers, and crew, prize money was claimed for the capture of the Spanish cruiser Maria Theresa, and also for the capture of guns, naval stores, and other property taken from that and other vessels...

In the case of Rear Admiral Sampson on behalf of his officers and crew against the Infanta Maria and various miscellaneous stores and supplies captured in the battle of Santiago Bay, on July 3, 1898, the decision of the court is practically the same.

Disposing of the two cases, Justice Bradley discussed at length the differences between money obtainable as prize money and that which could be claimed as bounty money in connection with the different phases of the case under consideration.

The cases were argued before Justice Bradley about two months ago. In his suit Admiral Dewey was represented by Herbert C. Mico and Charles King and W. E. King as counsel.

Rear Admiral Sampson and his men were represented by James H. Hayden, Anderson, then District Attorney, and C. C. Blaney, special attorney for the United States, appeared for the Government.

The opinion delivered by Justice Bradley is lengthy but occupies only fifty minutes in its delivery. It is exhaustive of the subject.

THE TREASURY SURPLUS.

It Will Probably Reach Mr. Gage's Estimate of \$80,000,000.

Some doubt has been expressed as to whether the excess of receipts over expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30 will reach the sum of \$80,000,000, as estimated by Secretary Gage in his annual report to Congress, but it has not been entertained at the Treasury Department, and present figures would seem to indicate that the surplus will be very near the anticipated amount.

THE ANACOSTIA FLATS.

Mr. Mudd Expects to Urge Congress to Reclaim Them.

Representative Sydney E. Mudd of Maryland, who arrived here yesterday said last night that he will redouble his efforts next winter to secure an appropriation to reclaim the Anacostia flats. The amount of money estimated to be necessary is \$2,000,000.

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IDENTIFIED BY MRS. PORTNER.

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Detective Sergeant Parham left this morning at 9 o'clock for Norfolk, Va., where he will remain until the morning of the 29th. He carried with him the sovereign spoons and pins which were found in Davidson's possession and which it is believed were stolen from Mrs. Davidson's house, 127 Twenty-first Street, north-west, some months ago.

The detectives are of the opinion that Davidson is the man who has been doing the "second-story jobs" that have been worrying the police at times. Mrs. Davidson's property taken from her by Davidson it is probable that his surrender to the Virginia authorities will be indefinitely delayed. In the meantime the case is being thoroughly investigated.

There are already two charges of petit larceny pending against Davidson in Washington—the larceny of the morphine injection sent from Dr. Otto A. Muncaster and the larceny of a new revolver from John W. Beale.

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THE STRIKE AT DAYTON.

Settlement Depends Upon Willingness of Employers to Confer.

Settlement of the strike of the machinists at the works of the National Cash Register Company, of Dayton, Ohio, appears to hinge upon whether any agreement will be reached. A representative of the city to confer with the representatives of the large metal trades now in conference here. A telegram was sent to the International Federation of Labor, yesterday asking that the company confer with the metal trades officials. A reply is expected today.

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Greatly interested in the report of Mr. O'Connell applied to the report of a strike in the Southern Railway system in Columbia, S. C., early last day morning.

TO BUILD A CLUBHOUSE.

Baltimore's Athletic Organization Completing Financial Plans.

BALTIMORE, June 27.—An enthusiastic meeting of the members of the Baltimore Athletic Club was held at the Hotel Renwick last night to take final steps preparatory to beginning work on the new clubhouse.

Dr. B. Merrill Hopkins, president of the club and chairman of the building committee, was in the chair. The committee reported that signatures have been secured for the initiation fee from 750 members, and that the remaining 250, which will bring the membership up to the 1,000 limit prescribed by the constitution, have been promised.

On August 1 Frank J. Kohler, chairman of the finance committee, will issue a call to each member for one-half of his initiation fee, and when this money is received the building operations will begin.

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