THE MRS. VOKES ROMANCE

RELATIONSHIP OF HER HUSBAND TO HENRY CLAY.

Captive Indians and the Governor of Arizona—Unearned Railroad Lands—National Banks.

WASHINGTON, October 21.—The Commission of Postoffice Inspectors who made an examination of the Philadelphia postoffice have made their report. They say they find Postmaster Harris a young man somewhat lacking in business experience, but honest and desirous of making a good service; that many mistakes have been made in the delivery department; that the commission believes many of them were made on purpose by some of the old carriers, who would intentionally give the new men letters which did not belong to their routes; that this was done to force the postmaster to retain certain unfit men, and the commission recommends that, as fast as one of these intentional errors can be certainly traced, the guilty man can be discharged.

Dividends for Creditors of Insolvent National Banks.

WASHINGTON, October 21.—The Comptroller of the Currency has declared dividends to the creditors of insolvent national banks as follows: The First National Bank of Sioux Falls, Dak., a first dividend of 20 per cent. of claims proved, amounting to $49,383; the Marine National Bank of the City of New York, a seventh dividend of 5 per cent., making in all 50 per cent. on claims proved amounting to $4,469,589; the Pacific National Bank of Boston, a fourth dividend of 5 per cent., making in all 10 per cent. on claims proved, amounting to $2,191,997; the First National Bank of Angelica, N. Y., a second dividend of 25 per cent., making in all 75 per cent. on claims proved, amounting to $49,873.

The Unearned Railroad Lands.

WASHINGTON, October 21.—The Interior Department has in contemplation a plan by which the efforts to forfeit the unearned land grants, which were unsuccessful in Congress, may be successful through departmental action. The law officers of the Land Office have the subject now under consideration, and if the plan shall meet the approval of the Secretary of the Interior, it will be put into operation. Some time ago the Interior Department decided that no land grant road should be considered to have earned its grants until it had filed a perfected plat of its entire road and of the granted land claimed. Proceeding from this decision as a basis, it is suggested that a suit may lie against the Northern Pacific road, in which the government will maintain that it is not entitled to any of the land which it claims, for instance, in the grant from Duluth to Puget Sound, because these lands were not earned, and the perfected plat for that part of the route was not filed within the time prescribed. This theory proceeds, of course, upon the assumption that the road could not earn any of the land if it did not earn the whole grant, and on this theory the Secretary of the Interior will doubtless be asked to declare the lands forfeited and open to settlement.

The Story of Rosina Vokes.

WASHINGTON, October 19.—The Washington *Critic* this afternoon has the following interesting story of Rosina Vokes: Mrs. Cecil Clay is the proper name of Mrs. Rosina Vokes, who appears at Albaugh's this week in a new play by Pinero, author of *A Wife's Peril*, which Mrs. Langtry made so famous, and her husband accompanies her as manager of a picked company of English artists.

"Washington is very highly esteemed by my wife and myself," said Mr. Clay, "and, besides, I take a great deal of interest in the city because my brother Ernest was here for a long time and made many desirable acquaintances. While Lord Lyons was Minister to this country my brother was connected with the Legation as secretary, and when he returned to England he seemed never to tire in sounding the praises of Washington and its people. After an absence of about ten years, my wife returned to Washington for a short season last year to find it thoroughly changed, and, as she declared, the handsomest city she had ever visited. One of the heirlooms in our family, by the way, is a letter written by the great Kentuckian, Henry Clay, to Sir Arthur Clay, of England, in response to a request for information about the family in America. It was clearly demonstrated that we were of the same lineage, so that naturally our American cousins are very close to us in every sense of the word."

The Captive Indians.

WASHINGTON, October 21.—It is today learned that the District Attorney of Arizona recently represented to the Attorney General that sufficient evidence was obtainable to convict Geronimo and his braves of murder before a civil tribunal, and that in view of that fact Gov. Zulick, of Arizona, had requested the President to cause the military officers to surrender the hostiles to the civil authorities of the Territory for trial. Notwithstanding this request, the action of the President in ordering the confinement of the Indians at Fort Pickens, Fla., is accepted at the War Department as conclusive evidence of the intention of the government to treat them as prisoners of war, and not as ordinary marauders amenable to civil jurisdiction.

Revenue Receipts—Bond Call.

WASHINGTON, October 21.—The revenue receipts of this month have averaged $1,000,000 a day, and are now about $12,000,000 in excess of the expenditures during the same period. The financial situation is regarded at the Treasury Department as favorable for another call for 3 per cent. bonds, and it is probable that one will be issued in a few days.

Depredations Upon Public Timber.

WASHINGTON, October 21.—Commissioner Sparks has made a report to the Secretary of the Interior, upon information received at the General Land Office, to the effect that the Montana Improvement Company is making extensive depredations upon public timber on unsurveyed land along the line of the Northern Pacific railroad under an agreement with the railroad company, and that private surveys are being made by the timber company, with a view of claiming that the lands depredated upon are odd sections belonging to the railroad company, and not to the United States. The Commissioner, in his report, urges a vigorous prosecution against both companies.

Will Renounce Allegiance to the K. of L.

SEDALIA, Mo., October 21.—The resolution recently adopted by the General Assembly of the Knights of Labor at Richmond, calling on cigar makers who are members of the International Union and also of the Knights of Labor to choose which of the organizations they shall follow, created a great deal of comment in this city. All of the cigar makers here are members of both orders and to a man will renounce allegiance to the Knights of Labor.

WORKSOPS BURNED

At the Ohio Penitentiary—The Devouring Element Elsewhere.

COLUMBUS, O., October 21.—A destructive fire occurred at the Ohio Penitentiary here at an early hour this morning. It was located in the northern portion of the inclosure, in the middle row of shops. The fire had its origin in the shop of the Columbus Wheel and Bending Company, owned by Eberly, Killian & Co., most of the firm being residents of Pennsylvania. At the north side is located the cooper shop, on the east the chair shop of the J. W. Dann Company, a building similar in size and construction to the wheel shop. On the west side of the wheel shop is the Gill Foundry, and at the south the hoe shop. All of these are fine brick structures, filled with expensive machinery and fine stock, thus making the fire in the center of much valuable property. To add to the danger, the gasworks and large reservoir were located immediately east of the chair shop, the distance separating all the buildings being merely narrow streets or passage ways. The prison fire department were unable to accomplish anything, from the fact that the standpipe did not give the required pressure. The city department did not reach the fire for half an hour after the buildings were well burning. There was but one totally destroyed and two others were partially burned out inside. The total loss will not reach over $20,000, and it is about half covered by insurance.

Supposed Incendiary Fire.

GRAND LEDGE, MICH., October 21.—About 1 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the curtain roller factory, and before the flames were controlled about 250 feet of buildings lining the river bank were destroyed, including Hickson, Tinkham & Co.'s sawmill, Waldo & West's planing mill and the chair factory. Loss, $30,000; insurance, $9300. The fire is supposed to have been incendiary and an investigation is in progress.

GLASS MANUFACTURERS

To Establish a National Syndicate to Advance and Maintain Prices.

PITTSBURG, PA., October 21.—Preliminary steps have been taken by the window glass manufacturers to establish a national syndicate, the object being to advance and maintain prices. The plan submitted contemplates the formation of an organization or stock company into which every member shall pay $100 per pot, said money to be forfeited if such member violates any of the rules, such as selling under the established price. The syndicate is to buy glass from firms needing money at a fixed price; notice of price fixed is to be sent manufacturers in other districts, and if prices are cut by them, the association is to sell in their market at such prices as will make their territory unprofitable to them. The agreement is to become binding when 95 per cent. of the manufacturers sign it.

ENGLISH NEWS.

John Bright on the Schnadhorst Presentation.

LONDON, October 21.—John Bright, who was invited to attend the presentation to Mr. Schnadhorst at Birmingham, writes that he greatly approves the services of Mr. Schnadhorst and the manner of marking them, but asks to be excused from attending the ceremony because, as he would be expected to speak, he does not wish to cast blame upon former friends, and therefore thinks it best to remain silent until the former harmony in the Liberal party has been restored.

Mr. Hyndman, one of the Socialist leaders, has written a letter in which he makes these proposals for relief of the unemployed: That no workers for government railways or similar public monopolies labor for more than eight hours daily, thus rendering necessary the employment of more persons; that all uncultivated crown lands suitable be cultivated, the profits accruing therefrom to be divided among the workers; that all possible public works be begun immediately, the cost of the initial proceedings and the payment of wages to be borne equally by the rate payers and the State, and that free dinners be given to the needy and heard to school children.

The *Chronicle's* Berlin correspondent insists that Lord Randolph Churchill had a long conversation with Count Herbert Bismarck during the former's stay in Berlin.

The Intriguing Russians.

LONDON, October 21.—A traveler from Bokhara who has reached Peshawan, on the Afghan frontier near the Khyber Pass, reports that the Russians have completed the Merv and Oxus railway to within five stages of Sarakhs. He also gives the following information: The Governor of Tashkend has summoned several Mohammedan officers for political purposes. The Russians intend to establish a military cantonment for 30,000 men at Shirabad, near Bokhara. Russian officers disguised as Usbeck merchants are actively engaged in Badakshan inspecting the citadel and the passages to India. The traveler also reports that the Czar is displeased at the Ameer of Bokhara for refusing to enlist Russians among his troops.

Protest Against British Occupation of Egypt.

LONDON, October 21.—The *St. James Gazette* says that M. Waddington, French Ambassador to London, acting under instructions from his government, has protested on behalf of France against the British occupation of Egypt. The paper adds that France and Turkey are in complete accord in their opposition to the occupation and that Russia supports them.

In Regard to Egypt.

LONDON, October 21.—The Earl of Iddesleigh, British Foreign Secretary, is engaged in an active exchange of communication with the Ports respecting the British occupation of Egypt.

Refuses to Admit American Cattle Free of Duty.

WINNIPEG, October 21.—The Northwestern Council has refused to accede to the petition of the Homeland Pacific Company, of Wood Mountain, for the admission of cattle from the United States free of duty. The reason assigned is that the matter properly belongs to the Dominion Government. The Manitoba Government is taking steps toward the relief of the sufferers by the recent destructive prairie fires.

THE FAIR AT HELENA.

VERY LARGE ATTENDANCE YESTERDAY—GOOD SPORT.

A Bicycle Race the Great Attraction of the Day—The Memphis Races Next Week.

[SPECIAL TO THE APPEAL.]

HELENA, ARK., October 21.—Today being Mississippi day and the third day of the Helena Fair, an unusually large crowd was in attendance, there being over 3000 people on the grounds nearly all day, of whom fully seven-eighths were visitors to Helena, many of them entire strangers. The strangers all receive the most courteous consideration from the citizens of Helena, who try to make their stay pleasant and profitable. Among the visitors to the grand stand today were Miss Pet Galloway, of Memphis, who is visiting her friend, Miss Anna Lee Polk, of this city; Miss Jessie Alcorn, of Eagle's Nest, Miss., and Miss Hebron, of Leland, Miss., all of whom have many warm admirers in the social circles of Memphis and Helena. There were so many prominent gentlemen from the country contiguous to Helena that it would be useless to attempt to detail them. One Memphian, who finding so many home folks here, had his interest aroused sufficiently to actually count the Memphis people now in attendance at the fair and made it 225, not a bad showing for old Memphis, is it? They are all down here for fun and from the gaits they are going one can't but help believing that they are getting what they came for, and they never let an opportunity slip to let the people know that Memphis will next week extend a cordial welcome to all who may come to witness the races. As all of the races today were running ones the ladies were in their element, the ladies being partial to the dash and get and go along in a running race and indifferent to the quiet jog of the trot.

The first race was running, mile heats, two in three, with three starters—Barbara, Wild Kansas and Fanny B. Barbara won the race in two straight heats. *Second Race.*—Mile and a quarter dash. Two starters—Leroy and Peacock. Leroy won the race. *Third Race.*—For two year olds, half mile dash. Two starters—Lady Trieber and Lady Blanche. Lady Trieber won the race. The five mile bicycle race between Dr. Johnson, of Holly Springs, and James Beard, of Little Rock, was watched with interest by the crowd, to whom that is, except those from Memphis, a novel sight, many of the natives never having seen a bicycle before, and would have supposed, had they been asked what they were, that it was the much needed fifth wheel to a wagon.

The following premiums were awarded today: Best mule over three years old, Jas. A. Bush; best mule, two years old, Jas. Harris colored; best mule colt, Louis Harber. Hogs, Poland China breed, best boar, Jas. A. Bush; best sow, Jas. A. Bush; Berkshire breed, best boar, A. J. Thompson; best sow, Hyde Park Live Stock Company; best pig, Henry Lohmann; Duroc breed, best boar, Peter Mengez; best sow, Bogan Gist. Sheep, Southdown breed, best lamb, C. Polk; best ram, one year old, Hyde Park Live Stock Company; best ram, two years old, Mrs. W. R. Stirling; best flock of Southdowns, C. Polk; Cotswold breed, best ram, Jas. A. Harris.

A PERPETUAL INJUNCTION

Obtained by Prof. Theodore Thomas Against the New York Musical Union.

NEW YORK, October 21.—A most important decision has just been rendered by Justice Potter which is of especial interest to all musical persons. It will be remembered that the Musical Union objected to the performance of any of their members in company with an imported oboe player, engaged by Theodore Thomas, and enforced their objection by fines and threatened expulsion. It was in vain that Mr. Thomas urged the fact that there was no oboe player in the union capable of playing the music required of him. The union insisted upon enforcing their union rules. The oboe player in question was perfectly willing to join the union, but was prevented from doing so by a by-law of the organization which made it necessary for him to be six months in the country before he could obtain admission to the order. In this emergency Mr. Thomas applied for and obtained an injunction restraining the union from interfering with its members or punishing them for playing in company with performers who were not union men. Justice Potter has given his decision in favor of Mr. Thomas, the plaintiff, holding that the by-laws of the defendant forbidding members to play with non-union men are in restraint of trade and against public policy, and void. He also issues a perpetual injunction forbidding these laws from being put into operation against the plaintiff.

Circulars to the Papal Nuncios.

ROME, October 21.—Cardinal Jacobini, Papal Secretary of State, following the Pope's instructions, has sent circulars to all the Papal Nuncios abroad directing their attention to the principal political and ecclesiastical questions of the day and urging them to cultivate good relations with the different governments with a view toward improving the situation of the church throughout the world.

Wholesale Arrest of Election Judges and Clerks.

CHICAGO, ILL., October 21.—Judge Prendergast this morning issued an order for the arrest of over forty election judges and clerks. Their offense consists in not returning the registry books to the Election Commissioners within the time prescribed by law.

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