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Speculators Are Bitten.

The dignity of the American hen has been upheld. It was war between the cold storage combine and Chicago speculators and the Eagle's Union, and the barnyard fowl is victor. The cold storage people, as a result of an attempt to corner the egg market, are or will be not less than \$100,000 out of pocket. Some dealers say the loss in Chicago by the drop in egg prices will reach \$200,000. Scarcely one for the hen, "Cold storage" eggs are down to 5 to 7 cents a dozen and are practically unsalable at that price. Car load lots were being frantically offered Wednesday night to all points on the map at the above ridiculous prices, but the best bids received in return were \$1.25 a case of thirty dozen. Meanwhile fresh eggs started out at 14 to 16 cents, but offers to sell at 13 1/2 cents were fairly rolling in when business closed. The news had gone out into the country that the cold storage combine was seeking to control the Chicago market and apparently every hen in the entire country made it a personal matter to crush the dangerous rival. From every barnyard went up the slogan, "Honest eggs at honest prices." The light was on, the weather was favorable, and the battle was soon won. In Chicago the holders of cold storage eggs have on hand 60,000 cases of eggs which cost them 14 to 15 cents a dozen, including the cost of carrying them from last spring. At this season of the year the stock should be practically exhausted, as Southern eggs begin to supply consumers. The fine weather has not only started the Southern eggs moving, but has brought out large offerings from Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas. Though the "icehouse" eggs are sold by grocers all over the city as fresh, they are not to be compared with the fresh arrivals, and cannot compete with them.

CAUGHT BY FORGED NOTES.

Javanese Merchants and Bankers Swindled Out of \$5,000,000. Latest advices from China tell of the uttering by Chinese forgers on the island of Java of \$5,000,000 of Java bank notes. In order to get notes accepted forged notes were placed on them. Six hundred thousand pounds of forged and discounted notes have been discovered and many prominent Chinese merchants have been placed under arrest, including Capt. China, one of the wealthiest Chinamen in Java. It is believed the police that the forgeries were made in Singapore. Kwee Chee Soe, a native of China, now a resident of Sourabaya, and a band of native etchers have been arrested. Some of the houses that discounted largely are practically bankrupt. Nearly all the leading Chinese merchants of Java have been victimized.

RUSSIA AND TURKEY.

Belief at Constantinople that an Entente exists.

It is now believed at Constantinople that a tacit entente exists between Russia and Turkey and that by its terms Russia has engaged to support Turkey in certain events, such as the passage of the Dardanelles by a British fleet. On the other hand, it is understood Turkey has agreed to permit Russia to occupy and pacify Armenia. The position of France in regard to the understanding between Russia and Turkey is much discussed, and it is thought in certain circles that the republic will be constrained to separate herself from Russia, as the latter's policy is held to be opposed to French interests.

ARMENIA'S ONLY HOPE.

Gladstone Says No Relief Except from the Almighty.

Mr. Gladstone has written another letter on the Armenian question, in which, after referring to the "murderous wickedness of the Sultan, his absolute victory over the powers and their unparalleled disgrace and defeat," he says: "I cannot wholly abandon the hope that out of this darkness light will arise, but the matter rests with the Almighty, to whom surely all should address fervent prayers in behalf of His suffering creatures."

Towed Into Port.

The Cunard Line steamer Catalonia, from Liverpool for Boston, with her shaft broken, was spoken in latitude 47.50, longitude 84.08, on Jan. 22, by the White Star freighter Cervic, which reached New York Tuesday. A cablegram from St. Michaels, Azores, received Tuesday, reports that the Catalonia has been towed into that port by the steamer Braunschweig.

Judge Jenkins Upheld.

Judges Field, Brewer and Brown, of the Supreme Court, have rendered their decision in the Northern Pacific receivership case, holding all the courts along the line of the road to be ancillary to Judge Jenkins' court at Milwaukee. This decision gives the Milwaukee court jurisdiction over the entire system in the matter of receiverships.

Menelek Is Cunniving.

Rome advices say that King Menelek continues his advance, cunningly paralyzing any offensive movement on the part of Gen. Baratier by treating the battalion of Col. Galliano as hostages. The situation remains very critical.

Uhl for Ambassador.

The name of Edwin F. Uhl, the Assistant Secretary of State, has been mentioned in Washington reports in regard to the appointment to the Ambassadorship at Berlin. His knowledge of matters under consideration with Germany would make his appointment desirable.

Four Miners Killed.

Word was received at Wilkesbarre, Pa., from Pittsfield Junction that a terrific explosion occurred in the Twin shaft Wednesday. Four miners are reported killed and a number injured.

Calls on President Cleveland.

Ex-President Harrison called at the White House Friday afternoon to pay his respects to President Cleveland, thus returning a similar call made by the latter upon him while he was the occupant of the White House. The interview lasted about ten minutes.

Permission Still Withheld.

In spite of the urgent representations at Constantinople of the United States minister, Alexander W. Terrell, the Turkish Government still hesitates to accord permission to the American Red Cross Society to distribute relief to the suffering in Antolia.

REVOLT IN THE ARMY.

Rich Members Will Withdraw Their Support if Booth Goes.

Auxiliary members of the Salvation Army are vigorously protesting against the removal of Commander Ballington Booth. Notice has been received that many of them will withdraw their financial support of the army if he is not allowed to remain. The auxiliary members will send a unanimous protest to London. If that proves without effect, measures will be taken to declare the army in America independent of all English domination. Ballington Booth will be invited to become its leader and it is asserted that he could hardly refuse. In answer to the assertion of headquarters in London that the change is simply in keeping with the policy to move commanders every few years it is pointed out that Bramwell Booth, the chief of staff in London, who is largely responsible for the orders, has been in his present position twenty years; his sister, the marchioness, has been in charge in France fifteen years, and the commander in India ten years. Public meetings to protest are being arranged.

AT LEAST SEVENTY LIVES LOST.

Fire in a Russian Circus Theater Causes a Terrible Panic.

The official investigation into the cause of the fire which destroyed the circus theater at Erkateroslav, capital of the southern Russian governing province, has not been able to establish the real cause of the disaster, which is believed to have resulted in the loss of over seventy lives. The first alarm was given by an actress, who appeared terror-stricken on the stage during a children's matinee, when the whole audience into a panic, as the theater immediately began to fill with smoke and flame. A terrible rush was made for the doors of the building, but only two out of the eight exits were open, the others having been securely closed on account of the bad weather. The iron roof of the building collapsed, killing numbers of persons. The victims were mainly children, and in addition to those burned, suffocated by the smoke or crushed by the fall of the roof, many were trampled to death.

BIG LINER ASHORE.

American Liner St. Paul in Trouble at Long Branch.

It was during a racing race to make New York port ahead of her best rival, the Cunarder Campania, that the American liner St. Paul ran her nose 100 feet into the white sands of Long Branch Friday at midnight. Stories differ about the Campania, it being declared and denied that she, too, ran aground, but was able to release herself. The stranding of the St. Paul, it was learned when her passengers arrived in the city at 7 o'clock Saturday evening, occurred at the close of a seventeen-hour race, called off at the last moment. This is reported for both by Captain Walker of the Campania and the passengers of both ships. Walker came near going ashore himself off Elberon, but was warned by the men of the life-saving crews and dropped anchor in time to save his ship. It is possible the St. Paul cannot be floated in time to save her.

WHOLE FAMILY DROWNED.

Wagon and Team Swept Away While Trying to Ford a Swollen Stream.

News was received in Fort Worth of the drowning of an entire family in Prairie Dog Fork of the Red river, in Randall County. Joseph Wicker, wife and two children attempted to ford the stream in a covered wagon. The water swept the wagon and team down. The father attempted to swim ashore with one child on his back, but sank to the bottom and both he and the child were drowned. The mother and other child remained in the wagon until it was overturned and both were also drowned. Another family in a second wagon turned back in time to save themselves, but could give no assistance to the Wickers.

FAITHFUL TO FLIGHTED TROTH.

Constancy for Forty Years Followed by Marriage.

Unusual constancy was ended in a wedding which was solemnized at Gilboa, Ohio. The contracting parties were George W. Wisegiver and Miss Ann Kelly, each aged over 60 years. When young they were engaged, but the girl's parents opposed their marriage because Mr. Wisegiver was poor. Two weeks after her father died, and the mother having been dead several years, the aged couple, who had continued faithful to each other, decided to marry. For forty years they have lived close neighbors. The groom in a long speech made considerable wealth, and they will now experience uninterrupted love and ease.

Ships to Be Armed.

Capt. W. W. Ker, the attorney who represents the Cubans in their cause at Philadelphia and also the steamship company, said that hereafter the steamers of the Hart Line plying between Philadelphia and Cuba will be armed. The Horn and her companion boats are to have both bow and stern chasers. The Captain continued: "I am told the Spanish authorities have said that if they catch one of the vessels of the Hart Line in Cuban waters they will make it hot for the ship. We are not going to give up the West Indian trade and we are no United States vessels there to protect ours. We have concluded to go into the protecting business ourselves. There are lots of well-trained young men from our naval training vessels who would be only too glad to get a position where they could gain practical experience, and there are no better gunners in the world than they are. We are not going to seek trouble with the Spaniards, but we cannot afford to have our vessels chased and do not want to go to the expense of the extra coal that would be used in getting up steam to run away from a Spanish cruiser. I have seen some of these Spanish cruisers, and in my judgment a Cuban vessel of war manned by our young Americans will have a picnic with the Spanish fleet, and there will be enough prize money in it to make some of our young men comparatively wealthy."

Mob Tries to Lynch.

Webster Grove, the St. Louis suburb, was wildly excited over the tragedy, when Bertram A. Atwater, the young Chicago artist who had gone to visit his betrothed, was waylaid by highwaymen. One of the robbers, John Schmidt, wounded the artist, but he was rescued by the Chicago police. The other thug, Sam Foster, a colored ex-convict, who fired the fatal shots, and Peter Schmidt, who arranged the trap into which Mr. Atwater was unsuspectingly lured and then slain, are in custody. At their examination they tried to escape, but only determined action by the officers prevented a mob from lynching them.

Duluth Concern Changes Hands.

The plant of the Duluth Gas and Water Company was purchased by the Hartman General Electric Light Company. By many this is taken to mean that the stock has simply been transferred in the hope that the city's suit to annul the company's franchise will be dropped.

France Gets Madagascar.

It is announced that by the terms of a treaty signed Jan. 18 the island of Madagascar is declared a French possession.

Millions Involved.

At St. Louis Monday, in the United States Court of Appeals, before Judge Caldwell, of Arkansas, Thayer, of St. Louis, and Sanborn, of Minnesota, arguments were begun in the greatest case in some respects that has ever been before the courts of this country. J. D. Rockefeller, president of the Standard Oil Company, is the defendant. The amount involved is approximately \$1,000,000. At the trial of the case on its merits in the Circuit Court at Duluth, Minn., before Judge Riner and a jury, a verdict was given for the plaintiff, Alfred Merritt, Jr. for \$400,000. Mr. Rockefeller's interests are represented by George W. Murray, of New York, and associates. The plaintiff is represented by A. A. Harris, of Duluth and associates. In August, 1883, the Merritts, who had the controlling interest in some iron mines in St. Louis County, Minnesota, valued at \$10,800,000, went into a deal with Rockefeller. Merritt in his original bill charged that he and his partners were inveigled into the deal by the fraudulent representations of Rockefeller as to the value of the properties he controlled. He alleges that Rockefeller represented his mines to be in a prosperous, dividend-paying condition, whereas the contrary was the case.

SUIT OVER GOLD MINE.

Title to the Little Johnny Disputed at Denver.

Title to the Little Johnny gold mine of Leadville, Col., is the subject of a suit filed in the United States Court by Michael Curran, of Butte, Mont. This, with three other suits by other members of the Curran family, covers a half interest in the mine that last year was credited with an output of \$1,000,000, and is now producing gold at the rate of \$250,000 a month. Suit is brought on the same ground that compelled the owners of the Emma mine, of Aspen, to disgorge \$4,000,000 for getting possession of a property by means of representing that the ore was low grade and then inducing the poor owners to sell for a song.

PRAYED FOR ARMENIA.

Blind Chaplain of the Senate Invokes Aid for the Oppressed.

Rev. Dr. Milburn, the blind chaplain of Congress, prayed devoutly Monday for bleeding Armenia. "Hear the cry of our agony," he prayed, "in behalf of the people of Armenia, despoiled, tortured, their homes in ashes, their men and women and children slain at the edge of the sword, their women dishonored. Arise and unite the powers of righteousness, the queen, the czar, the kaiser, kings and princes, their ministers and people, that the sultan shall be forced to sheathe his bloody sword and stay the frenzied rage of his fanatical soldiery and subjects."

SUGAR BOUNTY CLAIMS.

Decision in Suit Filed Will Determine Government's Policy.

The Government has filed in the Supreme Court of the United States the papers in the two sugar bounty cases of A. H. Gray and the Beatty company vs. the United States, the first involving a claim for about \$8,000 and the second for about \$5,000, appealed from the United States Court for the eastern Louisiana district. The decision in them will determine the policy of the Government in paying all claims under the sugar bounty act of the last Congress. They were decided against the Government in the lower court.

Turkey to Pay Cash.

Uncle Sam has brought the sultan to time, and there is now little likelihood that any of the American cruisers will have war practice in the Levant, with Mohammedan towns as targets. During the Armenian debate Monday in the House, Mr. Holt of Illinois, chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, announced that the Turkish Government had admitted the justice of claims for indemnity in the Harput and Marsh outrages, and would pay the sums demanded by Secretary Olney. These sums amounted to about \$200,000.

China Admits Trade.

The Chinese Government has agreed to open the West River provided China is allowed to retain the territory ceded under the Burmah-China convention in 1894. The cities of Canton and Hong Kong are situated on the bay into which the West River empties. The news occasioned no small satisfaction in Hong Kong. The trade of the rich province of Yunnan had begun to be diverted by the activity of the French in Tonquin from its natural channel down the river.

Pneumonia Killing the Indians.

Information from Pine Ridge Agency, in South Dakota, says there is a large amount of sickness among the reservation and that many of the Indians are succumbing to the ravages of pneumonia.

Yang Yu Promoted.

Yang Yu, Chinese minister at Washington, has received notice of his promotion to the presidency of the board of sacrificial worship, one of the most honorable offices in the Chinese empire.

To Colonize in the Mexico.

At Santa Fe, N. M., the Mexican and Guatemala Colonization and Railroad Company was incorporated to operate in New Mexico and old Mexico. Capital stock, \$10,000,000.

Utah's New Senators.

The Utah Legislature in joint session elected C. F. Cannon and Arthur Brown to the United States Senate.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$5.00; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2 red, 61c to 62c; corn, No. 2, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2, 19c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 40c to 42c; butter, choice creamery, 10c to 12c; eggs, fresh, 15c to 17c; potatoes, per bushel, 18c to 25c; broom corn, 2c to 4c per pound for poor to choice. Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$4.75; hogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.50; sheep, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$3.00; wheat, No. 2, 58c to 67c; corn, No. 1 white, 28c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c. St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.00; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 60c to 68c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 25c to 26c; oats, No. 2 white, 18c to 19c; rye, No. 2, 35c to 37c. Cincinnati—Cattle, \$3.50 to \$4.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 71c to 73c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 20c to 30c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 21c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 43c to 45c. Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.50; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 70c to 72c; corn, No. 1 yellow, 28c to 30c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; rye, 30c to 41c. Toledo—Wheat, No. 2 red, 71c to 72c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 23c to 22c; rye, No. 2, 30c to 40c. Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 61c to 62c; corn, No. 2, 20c to 27c; oats, No. 2, 33c to 35c; rye, No. 1, 41c to 43c; pork, mess, \$10.50 to \$11.00. Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.75; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 74c to 76c; corn, No. 2, 26c to 37c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 26c; butter, creamery, 18c to 21c; eggs, West, 17c to 18c. New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$5.25; hogs, \$3.00 to \$5.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 76c to 77c; corn, No. 2, 26c to 37c; oats, No. 2 white, 25c to 26c; butter, creamery, 18c to 21c; eggs, West, 17c to 18c.

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