UNITED STATES LEADS NATIONS IN COMMERCE

New Government Department to Deal With Largest Interests in the World. Internal Trade Estimated at Twenty Billions.

This Country's Manufactures Nearly Equal to Those of France, Russia, and Germany Combined — Increase in Recent Years.

The new Department of Commerce will have the distinction of dealing with the largest commercial interests of the world. In domestic exports, in manufactures, in transportation, and in internal commerce the United States is at the head of the world's list of great nations.

Some figures just compiled by the Treasury Bureau of Statistics, which by the new law becomes a part of the Department of Commerce, estimate the internal commerce of the country at $20,000,000,000, or equal to the entire international commerce of the world.

In arriving at this estimate of $20,000,000 for the internal commerce of the United States the Bureau of Statistics includes only one transaction in each article produced, while in fact a large number of the articles produced pass through the hands of several "middlemen" between the producer and the consumer. The estimate is based upon the figures of the census, which put the total value of manufactures in 1900 at $13,000,000,000; those of agriculture at nearly $4,000,000,000, and those of minerals about $1,000,000,000.

Conclusion Justified.

Adding to these the product of the fisheries, the total value of the products of the great industries in 1900 would be $18,000,000,000, and the rapid growth in all lines of industry since 1900, especially in manufacturing, seems to justify the deduction that even a single transaction in all the products of the country would produce an aggregate for 1902 of fully $20,000,000,000.

Estimating the internal commerce of the country at former census years by the same method, the Bureau of Statistics finds that the total internal commerce has grown from about $2,000,000,000 in 1850 to $3,500,000,000 in 1860, $5,250,000,000 in 1870, $7,750,000,000 in 1880, and $12,000,000,000 in 1890. It will be seen from this that the internal commerce seems to have increased 50 per cent in the decade from 1890 to 1900, and is ten times as large in 1902 as in the year 1850.

In the same period, from 1850 to 1902, the population has increased from 23,000,000 to 79,000,000, and is, therefore, only three and one-half times as great as in 1850, while the internal commerce is ten times as great as at that time. This relative gain of internal commerce over population is due, in part, to the greatly increased facilities for transportation, the cheapening of cost of articles utilized and the increased earnings and increased wealth of the people.

Increase of Railroads.

The railroads have increased from 9,021 miles in 1850 to 201,839 miles in 1902, and the estimated wealth of the country from $7,135,780,000 in 1850 to $94,300,000,000 in 1900, a per capita increase of from $308 in 1850 to $1,236 in 1900. This increase in wealth has been accompanied by an increase in deposits in banks, those in savings banks alone increasing from $43,431,130 in 1850 to $2,597,094,580 in 1901.

Meantime the foreign commerce has made a rapid increase, though not proportionate to that of the internal commerce. The imports of 1850 were $173,509,526; those of 1902, $903,320,948. The exports in 1850 were $144,375,723; in 1902, $1,381,719,401.

While it is not practicable to measure the internal commerce of other countries with the same accuracy as that of the United States, it is known that in agricultural products, manufactures, and minerals the United States now outranks the other nations of the world, and that the transactions in these products, which form the internal commerce, may, therefore, be assumed to surpass those of any other country.

The manufactures of the United States are now about double those of the United Kingdom, and nearly equal to those of France, Germany, and Russia combined, while the value of the agricultural products of the United States far exceeds that of any other single country.

WASHINGTON DIVINE TO PREACH IN CHARLESTON

Rev. Randolph H. McKim, rector of Epiphany Church, this city, will conduct the religious services at St. Paul's Church, Charleston, S. C., tomorrow, that day being the anniversary of the birth of the Order of Knights of Pythias. Dr. McKim's presence in Charleston at this time is looked upon as most appropriate, as Washington was the city in which the order of Knights of Pythias was founded, in 1864.

The subject of this well-known divine's discourse will be "Friendship, Bravery, Honor, Justice and Loyalty." These attributes are the fundamental principles of the order.

A choir of sixteen male voices will be present and the orchestra will consist of many distinguished musicians, many of them being knights.

Dr. McKim will conduct services at St. Paul's Church for ten days, dating from the 24th inst. He is in Charleston by special invitation of a committee composed of the most influential and distinguished Pythians from each of the four lodges of that city.

LEVI CHUBBOCK DEPARTS.

Levi Chubbock, special inspector of Indian affairs for the Interior Department, who was in town in consultation with the Commissioner of Indian Affairs, W. A. Jones, returned to St. Louis, Mo., yesterday afternoon.

JEROME FOR GOVERNOR ON EXCISE PLATFORM

Movement on Foot Among Gotham Democrats.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—For governor—William Travers Jerome, of New York.

No matter what may be the fate of District Attorney Jerome's excise bill legalizing the sale of liquor during restricted hours on Sunday, which is now pending before the State Legislature, there is already on foot a movement among prominent Democrats of all shades to make Mr. Jerome the candidate for governor next year.

Although it is expected that the lawmakers at the State capital will kill the present bill, the men who have started and are quietly pushing along the Jerome boom are confident that he can make a winning race next year upon a platform declaring for a limited open Sunday, thus practically dealing a death blow to police blackmail.

Mr. Jerome even now has at his back the united liquor dealers of the entire State, and they are being quietly but materially aided in their efforts to bring into being the proposed law, as well as to secure for its author the next gubernatorial nomination, by men of prominence in all of the local Democratic organizations.

That a determined fight is to be made upon the liquor question alone Mr. Jerome admits. He frankly confesses that the foes of Sunday selling will succeed in smothering his bill this year, but he is firm in the belief that the next Legislature will be forced to enact into law a similar measure.

WABASH BRIDGE WORKERS' STRIKE AFFECTS BUT FEW

PITTSBURG, Feb. 28.—The strike of the bridge workers has been exaggerated. Not more than 100 men are affected and little work has been stopped.

The strike is the result of a dispute between the structural iron workers employed by the American Bridge Company and the officials of the corporation over the employment of some laborers to put up the false work of the new Wabash Railroad.

ONE HAZING EXPERIENCE IN GRENADIER GUARDS ENOUGH

LONDON, Feb. 28. — Rear Admiral Cochrane announces that the war office has asked his nephew, J. Leverson-Gower, one of the victims of the hazing practices in the Grenadier Guards, to withdraw his resignation, and has offered to reinstate him in another Guards regiment. Leverson-Gower declined.

DIED OF HER BURNS.

CUMBERLAND, Feb. 28.—Maude Kauffman, aged twenty-four years, daughter of Richard T. Kauffman, proprietor of the Manhattan restaurant, who was badly burned in her room a few days ago, died this morning. No one saw the accident, and Miss Kauffman could not explain. It is thought her clothes caught fire from a lamp.

OVER SIX THOUSAND KINDS OF BUTTERFLIES

Valuable Work on Lepidoptera of the United States.

Six thousand six hundred is the number of the different species of butterflies in the United States, as catalogued in a valuable publication by the National Museum authorities, now printed and ready for distribution. This is the first publication of a complete list of the butterflies of this country.

The title of the work is "A List of North American Lepidoptera and Key to Literature of This Order of Insects." The book is one of a series of papers intended to illustrate the collections of the Smithsonian Institution, and takes the place of "Smith's List," the only extensive work on this subject. The book has 725 octavo pages, and in it are catalogued over 6,600 kinds of butterflies and moths. An index gives the specific, generic and family names, and a list of the 500 periodicals and magazines to which reference is made.

Harrison G. Dyar, Ph. D., the custodian of lepidoptera, which is the scientific name for butterflies, and the author of the work, says the publication is intended for the scientific investigator, and is so arranged that anyone interested can refer to all the literature published on any general family, sub-family, or species of the butterfly. In speaking of the butterfly, and his cousin, the moth, Dr. Dyar says less than 200 individuals are of foreign birth, and only three are of destructive tendencies. These are the cabbage butterfly, which is the dread of the truck gardener, the gypsy moth, which denudes the foliage of New England, and the browntail moth. The gypsy moth was deliberately introduced into New England by a French scientist, Leopold Trouvelot, in 1868, for experiments in silk culture. A few of the moths escaped, and the Massachusetts Legislature has spent millions of dollars in attempts to exterminate the pests.

Dr. Dyar was engaged two years in the preparation of the work, and was assisted by C. H. Fernala, Ph. D., the late Rev. George D. Hulst, and August Burck.

WONDERS TO BE DONE BY THE SOLAR MOTOR

May Cause the Desert to Bloom and Produce Power Untold.

The scorching sun's rays of Egypt and India are about to be bridled by solar motor machines made in Boston. It is reputed that a solar motor will shortly be sent to Egypt, and then to India.

The solar motor which has been used with a certain degree of success on an ostrich farm, at Pasadena, Cal., pumping 1,400 pounds of water a minute, is composed of glass mirrors, arranged on a funnel shaped steel frame, to focus the sun's rays upon a long, thin boiler. The motor that is to be sent to Egypt was used in Massachusettss last October and November, where there is comparatively little sunshine. It sawed several cords of wood, not to mention pumping a large quantity of water.

O. P. Austin, chief of the Bureau of Statistics, now a bureau of the new Department of Commerce, predicts a great future for the solar motor. "Our knowledge of electricity is yet in its infancy," he says, "but we send power by means of an electric current a distance of 230 miles in California, from the water-fall, where the power is generated, to the machines, which it operates. If this is the case today, why may it not be possible in the future to collect the tremendous power of the sun's rays falling upon the desert of Sahara, convert it by means of a solar motor to electricity, and send it by wire to France and Germany, and Italy, and, in fact, to all Europe? The motive power of the railroads and factories of Europe may, some day, be found centered in the great desert.

"Our deserts in the West may become a source of wealth undreamed of. The great possibilities of irrigation in the the present arid lands are brought to light by the United States Geological Survey. What if the sun, which now scorches the earth, year in and year out, can be made to pump water from wells and underground streams, thus solving the problem of irrigation?"

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MUSLIN DE SOIE, a soft, beautiful fabric, of silk and linen, suitable for evening and summer dresses; black, all colors, and white; 39c value. Extra special 18c

Yard-wide All-Silk Black Duchess; Yard-wide All-Silk Black Taffeta; guaranteed to wear; perfect black; our own importation; $1.50 value. For Monday only $1.00

"BONNET ET CIE," French Silk Manufacturers, have sent us 10 pieces 550 yards of guaranteed to wear rustle taffeta; this quality is known as $1.00 value; for Monday 79c

LADIES' SKIRTS.

A NEW YORK TAILOR COMPANY sent us 27 Black SAMPLE SKIRTS made of all-wool "cheviot," "broadcloth," "Melton," and "Venetian" cloths. They are "plain tucks effects," walking or dress lengths; some are trimmed with straps and buttons; others with satin or Peau de Soie straps; values $5.00 to $7.00 each. While they last, choice for $2.98

LADIES' WAISTS.

BLACK PEAU DE SOIE SILK WAISTS, made from our $1.00 grade of GUARANTEED Peau de Soie. The sizes are 34, 36, 38, 40, and 42. The styles are the new side-pleated effects. Also the new style tucks, with fagoting openwork effects. Valued at $5.50 to $7.50 each. Price for Monday, one to a customer $3.98

6 7/8c yard. "Yard-wide Bleached" FRUIT OF THE LOOM LONSDALE CAMRIC, ANDROSCOGGIN COTTON, on center tables; domestics entire second floor, 2 to 10 yard lengths.

6 7/8c each. "Swiss" and "Pure Linen" Handkerchiefs, 1,500 samples, worth 12½c, 25c, and 39c each; not soiled or mussed, but fresh new samples Swiss and Pure Linen Ladies' Handkerchiefs.

6 7/8c pair. "Black and Fancy" Ladies' Stockings. Some are imperfect, some are not. They are all worth 15c pair. All sizes and styles in this lot of 250 dozen.

Domestics.

Lancaster and Amaskeag, best 8c Apron Ginghams 6½c

SANITARY DRAPER CLOTH, in sealed packages; 65c value; best quality; piece for 50c

TOWEL SALE—Hemmed Turkish Towels, hemmed Huck Towels, 18x40 size, worth 12½c each. Special for 9½c

DOUBLE BED SHEETING, 9-4 wide, unbleached; worth 18c yard, for 12½c

YARD-WIDE PERCALES, beautiful new Spring styles, in light and dark effects, 12½c value, for Monday only 7¾c

YARD-WIDE Unbleached Cotton, extra fine and close woven; 7c is the regular price. Monday 4¾c

Corsets.

W. B. and R. G., strictly high-class, guaranteed Corsets; all sizes; all shapes 75c

Laces.

Just arrived from "Plauen," 100 pieces of ecru, white and butter laces, newest effects, medium and wide widths; suitable to separate and applique; also band effects for strapping; values 25c to 75c in this lot; on center tables, choice for 19c

New Belts.

Silk, Satin, and Moreen Belts, finished with jet and fancy braids; new style buckles and belt pins attached. Monday 25c

Dress Goods.

WE THINK THIS IS A GREAT SNAP—220 pieces just arrived of black, navy, brown, green, garnet, and purple Woolen Dress Goods, 38 to 45 inches wide. They range in value from 25c to 50c the yard; full pieces; new merchandise. The yard, for Monday only 14c

All Wool Dress Patterns.

With all linings complete. Black, blue, brown, tan, gray, cream, green, garnet, and pearl. Choice of Chevlot, Mistrell, Voile, Albatross, Whipcord, Granite Cloth, and Etamine. Entire dress, with linings $3.98

Jewelry.

25c and 50c Sash Pins, Buckles, Waist Sets, Cuff Buttons, etc. Center tables. Monday for 10c

"Mode" paper patterns. 10c. "March Fashions Free."

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Child's Black Ribbed Stockings, all sizes, 12½c value, 3 pair for 25c.