



A WAR WITH CHILE

Seems Inevitable, According to the Correspondents.

MINISTER MONTT IS TROUBLED

And Telegraphs His Government that This Country is Determined--War Preparations in the Navy and War Departments--Unless Arbitration is Proposed by Chile the United States and the South American Republic will Fight--Gossip About it at Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—The correspondent of the New York Herald telegraphs that paper as follows concerning the developments in the Chilean imbroglio:

I have obtained the most valuable information that has yet been made public regarding the Chilean affair. There is no question that the administration fully expects a refusal of Chile to comply with the demand for an apology and indemnity and is ready to ask Congress for power to declare war, for which preparations have been and are still being made.

Chile has not yet asked for arbitration, but it is known to the cabinet and to the correspondent that she is likely to do so. Minister Montt, the Chilean minister here, has, all along, seriously doubted the intention of this Government to declare war in event of Chile's refusal to accede to our demands.

This in itself is startling news, and here is more of it. Not only has the navy been made available in event of hostilities, but great activity has taken place in the army, and both departments are now ready to act on a moment's notice.

The plans have already been made to promptly move 10,000 troops. The men have been selected, the transports provided and all is ready to place the force on Chilean soil very soon after war is formally declared.

Minister Montt, who is an exceedingly cautious man, and who knows the difficulties of advising the home government when it is not believed that this government means war, has at last suggested to President Montt the propriety and the advisability of asking this government to lay all the facts in connection with the Baltimore case before a board of arbitration.

The Post-to-day asserts positively that, despite the denials of navy yard officials, an unusual activity exists at that important gun factory. Some of the employees were at work yesterday, and gas-fitters have been employed for a week or more arranging gas fixtures, so that work may continue at night.

WAR GOSSIP.

The Secretary of the Navy Busy, But not Much Being Done Elsewhere.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Secretary Tracy's office presented a busy scene this morning. Within an hour he saw Senator Allison, chairman of the senate committee on appropriations, Senator Cameron, chairman of the committee on naval affairs, Senator Butler, a member of the same committee, Senators Hale and Fry, Chief Constructor Wilson, Chief Engineer Melville, and Charles Cramp, the ship builder.

Secretary Foster Convalescent. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Secretary Foster took advantage of the good weather to-day and went out for a short drive. It is said at the Treasury department that the secretary is much improved in health and that he will attend a meeting of the cabinet to-morrow.

The Virginia Bank Failures. WARRENTON, Va., Dec. 28.—A statement of the affairs of Rosenberger, Spender & Co., the New Market, Va., bankers who had branches here and in two other towns, places the combined shortage at about \$100,000.

Harper not Pardoned. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The President to-day denied the application for pardon in the case of Harper, who was convicted on a charge of embezzlement of funds of the Fidelity savings bank of Cincinnati.

The Tyrone Bank Failure. TYRONE, Pa., Dec. 28.—The treasurer and stockholders of the defunct Tyrone bank turned over all their property to Assignee Stevens to-day for the benefit of their creditors.

Withdrawn by the Prosecutor. DEW, Pa., Dec. 28.—The embezzlement case of James Dowell against Pool & Co., proprietors of the Irwin bank, which recently failed, was this morning withdrawn by the prosecutor.

are not proceeding in a manner as satisfactory to the government of the United States as could be desired. Notwithstanding the fact that Secretary Blaine is now dealing almost entirely directly with the Chilean minister instead of with his government, through the intervention of Minister Egan, it does not appear that the result has been a saving of time, and there is reason to suspect that the secretary is chafing at the delay he encounters in securing a final response to the representations made by this government concerning the attack upon the Baltimore's men.

During the afternoon Representatives Lodge and Boutelle called at the navy department. They are both Republican members of the house committee on naval affairs, the chairman of which, Representative Herbert, is absent from the city.

Unless the house of representatives recurs to the old Randall rules, the naval committee will retain in its charge all matters relating to appropriations for the naval service, while in the senate the concurrent action of the committee on appropriation and the committee on naval affairs is usually necessary to secure provision for any naval expenditures.

Secretary Tracy has been in communication with members of each of these committees during the day, but with what purpose is not definitely known.

News reached the navy department this afternoon that the cruiser San Francisco had arrived at San Diego, California, and was at anchor in the harbor. It was rumored that she would await the Charleston at that place and transfer to the latter vessel certain ammunition of war, which she carried from San Francisco.

Suspicious Characters Arrested While Making Maps of San Francisco Harbor. CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—A morning paper says that an officer of General Miles' staff received a telegram late last evening from his brother, a United States soldier, stationed at San Francisco, telling him of the arrest there yesterday of two foreigners, one a Spaniard, the other a Chilean, who have been there for the past three weeks and acting in a manner to cause suspicion.

The Disgraced Naval Officer Restored to Duty by Secretary Tracy. WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—The President on Thursday last signed a paper of great interest to the navy. It was a remission of the unexecuted portion of the sentence of suspension imposed by court martial upon Commander Bowman H. McCalla, who was tried for cruelty to his subordinates during a cruise of the United States ship Enterprise, of which he was in command.

The Mexican Situation Serious. WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—Acting Secretary Grant reported that he regarded the situation on the Mexican frontier as serious, and that the war department was exerting itself to prevent further violations of the neutrality laws by Garza's band of revolutionists. If necessary to prevent these men from crossing backwards and forwards between Mexico and the United States, the entire military force under General Stanley's command will be distributed along the north bank of the Rio Grande.

A County Superintendent of Public Schools Makes a Humiliating Confession. PITTSBURGH, Dec. 28.—Blairsville, Indiana county, is excited over the discovery that Prof. Ennis, for ten years superintendent of the public schools, has been demoralizing their morals. Eight or ten of the largest pupils were before the board, and made most startling revelations.

The Boston Fire. BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Total loss by last night's fire on Federal street on both building and the stock carried by Parker, Holmes & Co., are fully covered by insurance.

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FUGITIVE HERRICK

Who was Responsible for the New York Central Accident, MAKES A PUBLIC STATEMENT

In Writing, Which he Sends Through his Father--He Tells How the Terrible Accident Occurred and Fully Realizes the Position he is Placed in. He Refuses to Make Known his Whereabouts--His Father Knows, but Will Not Betray the Son.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., Dec. 28.—Mr. Timothy Herrick, of Staatsburg, father of Albert Herrick, the fugitive New York Central trainman, saw his son in New York on Saturday and had a long talk with him. He said he urged his son to go to the railroad officials and tell them his story, but could not get him to do so in the then state of public feeling.

DEAR SIR:—I would say in reference to the accident north of Hastings, Christmas eve, that when our train slowed up, but while moving, I dropped off and placed two torpedoes on the rails, and then ran back to the train, which was still moving, but as it slowed up more, I took my lights and started down the track to stop the Croton local, then nearly due. When half way down I placed one torpedo on the rail and then walked on down to the station, thinking it better to notify the engineer there than to stop him again before he was fairly under way.

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On June 9, 1891, the legislature passed an act intending to amend the Brooks law, to allow saloon keepers to have bondsmen from any part of the county, instead of ward or township. The amendment was to the act approved May 24, 1888, whereas the Brooks law was approved May 15, 1887.

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A WHEELING MAN.

John Gallagher, Struck by a Pan-Handle Train and Fatally Hurt--Edward Duffy Also Injured.

STUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 28.—The second section of No. 6, east bound Pan-Handle passenger engine 125, Charles Wolf engineer, struck John Gallagher and Edward Duffy, both tunnel workmen, at 6 o'clock this evening, about 500 yards west of Cadiz junction. Both were walking east on the east bound track and did not hear No. 6 as she rounded the curve.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Matters at the Vatican with Reference to Mgr. Folchi and HIS MANAGEMENT OF THE FUNDS.

The Amount of the Deficit--The Duke of Connaught Shoots Out the Eye of Prince Christian--Another Plot Against the Life of the Czar Discovered--Military Men and Civil Officers Implicated as well as Students--The Grip in Italy--Other Matters of Interest.

ROME, Dec. 28.—The exemplary deposition of Manager Folchi, from his position of prelate and vice camerlingo of the apostolic chamber is considered an evident sign of the inexactitude of the past administration. This degradation is the result of the report of the extraordinary commission of cardinals, appointed to inquire into the financial position of the Holy See.

LOST AN EYE. Prince Christian Accidentally Shot by the Duke of Connaught.

LONDON, Dec. 28.—The injuries from which Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg is suffering were caused by one of the accidents that are so frequent in the hunting field.

The queen is spending her Christmas holidays at Osborne House, her residence on the Isle of Wight, and among the royal company is Prince Christian, who is the husband of Princess Helena Augusta Victoria, third daughter of the queen; the Duke of Connaught, Her Majesty's third son; Prince Henry of Battenberg, who married Princess Beatrice, the queen's youngest daughter, and Prince Albert of Schleswig-Holstein.

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inspection of samples. The provincial markets have been irregular, but there is generally a slight advance in prices. The board of agriculture reports that the crop is inferior, both as regards quantity and quality. In many districts an abnormal proportion of the grain has been shed in the fields.

The Choudoin Incident. PARIS, Dec. 28.—M. Ribot, minister of foreign affairs, to-day made to the chamber of deputies a statement of the relations between France and Bulgaria. The minister gave no new details of the Choudoin incident, but said that the matter was now in the hands of the Porte, which had demanded of Bulgaria an explanation of her action in expelling the French journalist from the country.

DR. KEELEY'S PURCHASE. He Will Erect Several Hospitals for Dipsonians Near Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Dr. Keeley to-day purchased thirty acres on the shore of Lake Michigan, a little north of this city. He proposes to erect there several immense structures for dipsonians. The Dwight, Ill., establishment will be retained as an auxiliary. J. B. Hobbs, the well known prohibitionist, was the owner of the tract. The sale won Mr. Hobbs a profit of \$30,000.

Auntie Harrison's Sad Death. HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 28.—Fumes of scorching flesh and smoke issuing from the house of Henrietta Harrison at No. 309 Blackberry avenue, excited the neighbors this evening and bursting open the door they found Auntie Harrison, an ex-slave, said to be over one hundred years old, a mass of flames upon the floor of her kitchen. She had evidently tried to light her pipe at the stove, as it was found by her aide. She was horribly burned and died before the fire could be extinguished.

A Mixed Affair. DICKINSON, N. D., Dec. 28.—A warrant has been sworn out charging Father Parraut, a Catholic priest, with grand larceny. The affair is slightly mixed. Last summer Father Brennan was discharged from the priesthood by Bishop Shanley for drinking and Father Parraut appointed in his place. During Father Brennan's reign a man named Canavan gave him a stove, which was turned over to Father Parraut. Canavan claims that the stove was only loaned, and has sworn out a warrant.

Calls for Great Vigilance. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, Dec. 28.—The revolutionary outbreak of Catarina Garza on the border has reached a stage inspiring both the governments of the United States and Mexico to exert every means for its suppression. General Stanley, commanding the department of Texas, has received orders from Washington to do his utmost to run down Garza's men.

Refused to Pardon Dunlap. BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Contrary to general expectation, Governor Russell this afternoon refused to sign the pardon of James Dunlap, the Southampton bank robber now in state prison. Dunlap was sentenced to the Massachusetts state prison for twenty years. He entered the prison January 1, 1878, and his time will expire, making the usual reduction for good behavior, during the year 1893.

Killed the Murderer. PARIS, Dec. 28.—An old man living in an eastern department killed his son in a quarrel over a legacy. When the police arrived to arrest him he barricaded himself in the house and finally took refuge in the cellar. From this place of refuge he fired at the police, whereupon a second policeman fired his pistol and the murderer was killed.

Where They Will "Stop." MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., Dec. 28.—During convention week the Pennsylvania delegation will be quartered at Nicollett house, word to that effect having been received to-day from Senator Quay. Half of the Ohio delegation will stop at the same house.

Prominent Broker Disappears. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Reports were current all day that H. E. Titus, of the firm of H. E. Titus & Co., a member of the New York Stock Exchange, had disappeared. He was last seen Tuesday night.

Walk Whitman Still Improves. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 28.—Walk Whitman continues to improve to-day. The doctors say he is stronger than he has been for several days.

West Virginia Murderer Arrested. BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 28.—Henry Adams, alias Charles Parker, colored, was arrested to-day charged with the murder of Henry Baldwin in West Virginia. The crime was committed at Elk Horn, a mining town in McDowell county, Monday, July 27, 1891.

Steamship News. LONDON, Dec. 28.—Sighted—Danía Spain, from New York. BOULOGNE, Dec. 28.—Arrived—Edam, from New York. GLASGOW, Dec. 28.—Arrived—State of Nebraska, New York. ANTWERP, Dec. 28.—Arrived—Noordland, New York. BOSTON, Dec. 28.—Arrived—Cephalonia, Liverpool. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 28.—Arrived—Minnesota, London. NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Arrived—steamers Aurania, from Liverpool; Moravia, Hamburg; Obdam, Rotterdam; Thungvada, Copenhagen; Capua, from Santos and Rio de Janeiro.

Weather Forecast for To-day. For West Virginia, fair and warmer; south winds. For western Pennsylvania, fair during the greater part of the day, with warm south winds, followed by showers during the night or Wednesday. For Ohio, increasing cloudiness during the day, light showers during the night or on Wednesday; brisk and high south winds, shifting to colder north-west winds during the night.

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