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FURS BROUGHT OVER LINE SEIZED BY CUSTOM OFFICIALS

Leading New Yorkers, Returning From Montreal, Prove Smugglers.

Pressure Being Brought to Bear on Secretary Shaw to Cause Articles to Be Returned to the Owners Upon Their Paying the Government Duties on Them.

New York, Jan. 15.—Special treasury agents who have been spending much time lately tracing furs brought into this city from Canada have so far seized about a dozen sets ranging in price from \$150 to \$1000.
 The persons from whom the furs have been taken include a number of well known citizens who visited Montreal last summer and bought them on the understanding that they were to be delivered here duty paid and claim not to have known that they were smuggled across the border.
 A petition is now going the rounds asking Secretary Shaw to restore the needful garments upon payment of the government duties.

ALL SORTS AND CONDITIONS OF CLIMATE IN ALASKA

The report of the commission appointed for the purpose of investigating conditions in Alaska, that beneficial legislation might be enacted, has the following to say about the climates of the north:
 It should also be remembered that Alaska has two distinct climates. From southern Alaska, following the southern coast of Alaska proper to the Aleutian islands it is exceedingly rainy. This portion is warmed by the Japanese current, which, flowing northwardly along the coast of Japan, is deflected to the east and reaches the coast of America along the southern coast of Alaska, carrying with it and distributing a part of the heat which it received at the equator, and thus materially modifying the climate of that part of Alaska.
 The fringe of Aleutian islands along the southern coast of Alaska and a strip of the mainland extending perhaps twenty miles back from the sea, form a distinctively climatic division which may be termed temperate Alaska. Here the temperature rarely falls very much below zero. At Sitka the mean temperature is reported at 32.5 deg. Far., and it is said not to vary more than 25 degrees winter and summer. The rain and snowfall is excessive, the latter having amounted to 57 feet at Valdez in the winter of 1892-93.
 The conditions north of the Aleutian islands and the coast range are entirely different. It is stated by Judge Wickersham, who has given much attention to the matter that:
 The Yukon interior is so wand flat. The Yukon river, where it crosses the British boundary line at Eagle City, is but 800 feet above the sea level, though nearly 1800 miles from its mouth. The rainfall in this vast region, from the Behring sea to the British boundary line, from the Arctic ocean to the inland slope of St. Elias range, is not more than 12 inches per annum, a little more than falls in the parched mesas of Arizona. A foot of rain and snow falls on the southern coast for every inch in the interior."
 Here are found the extremes of climate. The winters are dry but cold, the thermometer often reaching a point 60 and 70 degrees below zero.
 On the other hand, the summers are warm and pleasant. This whole valley is frozen to a great depth, ranging, it is said, from 40 to 100 feet; but with the advent of summer with its hot sun, which rises about 1:30 o'clock in the morning and sets at 10:30 p. m., thus giving about 20 hours of day light, the surface thaws to a depth of from two to four feet. The subterranean cold storage furnishes the necessary moisture to plant roots and here grow wild and nutritious grasses, and in the few gardens along the Yukon are found growing all the hardy vegetables, including potatoes, also currants, raspberries and salmon berries.

PANAMAN TROOPS READY TO MARCH AT MOMENT'S NOTICE

New York, Jan. 15.—Authentic information from the frontier is anxiously awaited here as the belief is widespread, cables a Herald Panama correspondent, that the Colombians have already started to march upon the isthmus.
 The Panaman troops are ready to take leave on a moment's notice. The conscription has been completed and 12,000 fighting men can be placed in the field. There is great bustle in the army in preparation for the equipment of rifles and ammunition to the Indians in the interior who have agreed to join against the Colombian forces.
 Many light cases of fever are reported to already exist in the camps of the United States marines, especially among those who have been scouting along the trail. There is some yellow fever in Panama now, but none has appeared in the camps.

ELOPED WITH WIFE'S NIECE AND HALF MILLION DOLLARS

Chicago, Jan. 15.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Denver, Col., says: Henry Herbert Pigott, who achieved notoriety in 1901 by eloping from Philadelphia to Denver with Charlotte Bryan, his wife's niece, disappearing, it is claimed, with funds estimated at more than \$500,000, has been arrested with the woman at Princeton, B. C. The capture was effected after a long chase on dog sleds through a wild, mountainous country. Pigott asked to be allowed half liberty on condition of giving up the documents, but he was turned over to the police. Papers representing \$500,000, were found by the detectives.

CURIOUS DOCUMENT IS THE WILL OF HERBERT SPENCER

London, Jan. 14.—Herbert Spencer's will is a curious document. It directs that his body shall be placed in a coffin with a loose lid and cremated, and the ashes burned, all without any species of religious ceremony.
 All the rights and property in his books and investments are given to the trustees, Hon. Auberon Herbert, Dr. Henry Charlton Bastain and David Duncan, with instructions to employ the yearly revenues "in resuming and continuing during such period as may be needed for fulfilling my express wishes, but not exceeding the lifetime of all descendants of Queen Victoria, who shall be living at my decease, and of the survivors and survivors of them, and for 21 years after the death of such survivor, the publication of the existing parts of my 'descriptive sociology' and the compilation and publication of the fresh parts thereof upon the plan followed in the parts already published."
 Afterwards all copyrights, stereotype plates, etc. are to be auctioned and the proceeds divided among a number of scientific societies.
 The will orders that Herbert Spencer's autobiography is to be published

simultaneously in Great Britain and the United States, and requests David Duncan to write a biography in one volume of moderate size.
 Another clause reads: "Give to Charles Holme, son of my late friend, George Holme, of Derby, in remembrance of his father having saved my life when a boy, the watch presented to me by friends in Boston, U. S. A., and so inscribed, together with the attached chain; and I hope the legatee may think it well to keep it in his family as an heirloom."
 In a codicil Mr. Spencer reiterated his objection to the metric system and expressed the desire that whenever a bill should be introduced in parliament on the subject his pamphlet against the system shall be reprinted and distributed to the members of both houses.

STOLE STAMPS BECAUSE HE NEEDED THEM BAD.

Chicago, Jan. 15.—August P. Brucker, a postal clerk, has been arrested on a charge of stealing postage stamps of large denominations from letters addressed to foreign countries. The postal authorities say that Brucker admitted having taken stamps for more than a year, the thefts not being discovered sooner because he was the last person to handle the foreign mail before it was tied in bundles. Brucker, it is said, declared he wanted the stamps to add to his collection.

RETURNS FROM VACATION TO STAND MURDER TRIAL

San Francisco, Jan. 15.—J. H. Goldman, governor of the province of Bataan, arrived on the transport Sheridan from the Philippines. He is home in leave of absence, but does not expect to return to the islands. He declares that there is little prospect of further troubles in the Philippines, but is of the opinion that it will take many years to establish a modern form of government among that oriental race who, he declares, are unable to govern themselves.

Argentina and Panama.
 New York, Jan. 15.—The senate has adopted an important resolution relative to the Panama question, says a Herald dispatch from Buenos Ayres, Argentina. It was maintained by the government that the matter was one that did not concern congress, as the executive was the sole judge of international questions. There was a lively discussion on this point and the senate finally passed a resolution declaring that it has the right to take cognizance of the Panama affair and requesting the government to submit to congress all documents referring to the question.

Art Treasurer's Auction.
 New York, Jan. 15.—The last of the art treasures in the collection of the late Frederick O. Matthiessen and his wife have been sold at auction. The sale occupied six days and about 1900 articles were disposed of, bringing a sum total of \$101,350. This marks one of the largest auctions of the kind held here in many years.

Oyster Beds Frozen.
 Baltimore, Jan. 15.—Immense ice fields now covering the oyster beds of the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries have made it impossible for tongs and dredgers to work, and the only oysters obtainable are taken from bedded stock. The prevailing scarcity has caused a general advance in prices.

Commodore Dugan Dead.
 Baltimore, Jan. 15.—Commodore William W. Dugan, U. S. N., retired, is dead at his home here. He was born in 1856. During the Spanish war he was a member of one of the navy department advisory boards.

St. Bernard Rescues Sailor.
 New York, Jan. 15.—"Brooklyn Lass," is the title that catalogued a huge St. Bernard that was on exhibition at the dog show. "Bell" is the

name by which she is known when she follows the heels of her owner, R. Gantley, of 196 Union street. The Alpine instincts of the dog led her yesterday to the rescue of a sailor who had foundered in the snow drifts of Battery park. The sea legs of the wandering sailor were not acclimated to his surroundings, and, as a result, he lay in the drifts.
 Brooklyn Lass found him while taking her morning exercise, pulled him out and turned him over to her master and the law, as she has learned by long experience on the water front, is the customary treatment given to over loaded sailors.

Japanese Cruisers Moving.
 Suez, Jan. 15.—The Japanese cruiser Kasuga has proceeded on its voyage. The Meishu also has reached here and is taking on coal.

ANOTHER SUIT RESULT FROM COMPANY'S COLLAPSE

New York, Jan. 15.—Another suit has been, by formal service of papers, added to the list of actions resulting from the collapse of the United States Shipbuilding Company. The latest is one brought by the Commonwealth Trust Company, successor of the Trust its liability to some of the holders of ad interim stock certificates distributed it is alleged, by John W. Young, who promoted the underwriting in Paris. Some of the certificate holders allege that the Trust Company of the Republic promised to exchange their certificates for stocks and bonds but the Trust Company's successor, it has been asserted, repudiated the alleged promise and desires the matter to be settled by the supreme court in a blanket action.

Teller Criticizes President.
 Washington, Jan. 15.—Today's session of the senate began with the passage of a number of bills on the calendar, and closed in a like manner. The intervening time was given over to a speech by Teller on the Panama canal question, Teller contending that the course of the president in connection with the recent revolt in Panama had been contrary to precedent and in contravention of international law. The senate adjourned until Monday.

Successor to Sir Bullard.
 London, Jan. 15.—The bye-election in Norwich for a successor to the late Sir Harry Bullard resulted in Mr. Tibbett, the liberal candidate of free traders, gaining the seat.

Mrs. Laura S. Webb,
 Vice-President of Women's Democratic Clubs of Northern Ohio.

THERE ARE MANY sickly women between the ages of 45 and 55, but there are very few invalids over 55 and 60 years of age. The change of life coming to a woman near her forty-fourth year, either makes her an invalid or gives her a new lease on life. Those who meet this change in ill health seldom live ten years afterward, while a woman who lays aside the active duties of womanhood in health seldom fails to live on in happiness, years after she has passed 60. This is truly a critical time.

Mrs. Laura S. Webb, of Toledo, Ohio, recognizes the change of life as a dangerous period and she also has faith in Wine of Cardui. She writes:
 "As I had always been troubled more or less at the menstrual period, I dreaded the change of life which was fast approaching. While visiting with a friend I noticed that she was taking your Wine of Cardui, and she was so enthusiastic about it that I decided to try a bottle. I experienced some relief the first month, so I kept on taking it for three months and now I menstruate with no pain and I shall take it off and on now until I have passed the climax. I do not dread it now, as I am sure that your Wine of Cardui will be of great benefit at this time."

Wine of Cardui is the remedy to re-inforce a woman against the shock that comes with the change of life. It re-establishes healthy functions after years of suffering. In doing this it has saved thousands of sufferers just in time. Do not wait until suffering is upon you. Thorough preparations should be made in advance. Begin the Wine of Cardui treatment today.

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