

NATION'S PROFIT ON SILVER IS BIG U. S. MAKES \$10,541,371 IN LAST FISCAL YEAR

ENORMOUS REVENUE DERIVED FROM SMALL SPECIE Large Gain to Government Represented in Difference Between Cost of Bullion and Face Value

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—The government made a profit during the fiscal year, which ended June 30, 1908, of \$10,541,371 on the coinage of silver, nickel and one-cent bronze pieces. This represents the difference between the price paid by the government for the metals and their coinage value.

WORTH \$40,000,000. RETURNS TO STAGE



FANNIE WARD

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NOTED PLAYER WILL RETURN TO OLD HOME

New English Play Will Be Presented. Made a Hit in London Under Title of "The Servant Problem"

[Special to The Herald.] NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—Fannie Ward, the noted English actress and beautiful American actress to whom England took such an enthusiastic fancy before her retirement from the stage several years ago, will return to the United States this winter and probably tour the east before returning to Europe.

BREAD LINE HAS EFFECT ON RICH

MAGNATES SEE SUFFERING AND GIVE \$4000

Judge Gary and Others Go "Stumping" in New York and Open Pursues to Tales of Woe

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—As the result of a visit paid to the Bowery mission by former Judge E. H. Gary, head of the United States Steel corporation, at an early hour today, that mission is several thousand dollars richer; also as a further result a movement may be instituted to bring about the passage of a law to provide for the transportation of deserving indigent Americans to places in the west where positions may be offered them.

Horticultural Congress Begins

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Dec. 13.—With exhibits of fruit from many states, including both Atlantic and Pacific coasts, the first national horticultural congress will begin in this city tomorrow. The exhibits from Washington, Utah and Idaho are particularly large. Silas Wilson of Idaho will make an address at the opening of the congress.

Burglars Loot Safe

SAN JOSE, Dec. 13.—Some time this morning burglars pried off the iron bars guarding a back window of the F. Chappie grocery store on West Santa Clara street, blew off the door and secured loot consisting of coin, checks and jewelry of the probable value of \$1000. Chappie discovered the burglary this afternoon.

King Edward Recovered

BRIGHTON, England, Dec. 13.—King Edward, who has been sojourning here for several days, will return to London tomorrow. He has entirely recovered his health, apparently.

OFF THE SHOW HE GAINED FAME

BENEVOLENT ASSIMILATION, HE SAYS, HELPED

DISCUSSES PAST AT DEDICATION OF MCKINLEY ORGAN

Declares Late President's Policy Will Be His Own—Describes His Promotion to Supreme Bench

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MRS. MAYBRICK PLANS MANSION

though the court's decree also awarded her possession of several tracts of land in Kentucky and West Virginia.

It is rumored now current in society circles here—declared on high authority by Mrs. Maybrick's mother, the Baroness von Roques, who was joint plaintiff with her daughter in the suits—are to be relied upon, Mrs. Maybrick and her mother will erect a handsome villa and make their home exclusively in Virginia.

OUR SUBLINE CONCEPT

"Some of us seem to have such sublime faith in our abilities and in Providence that we think we can whip any country in the world without guns. Some day we may find out differently."

"Do you remember how martial we were when President Cleveland sent his Venezuelan message? Well, we had at that time just our gun and our hat at Sandy Hook and that was the only gun we had along the entire coast line, all the way from Maine to Florida and from Lower California to Washington, with which to fight the navy of England."

"But the Lord looked after us, as they say he does after children and drunken men. McKinley knew how unprepared we were and he stood in unpreparedness and unpreparedness until such time as we were at least able to cope with a nation as unprepared as we were ourselves."

Mr. Taft gave out some further details of his proposed trip to Panama, saying he would take along several consulting engineers. This has been his custom on the four other trips he has made to the isthmus and is for the purpose of securing information other than that given by the laymen. The many plans and projects which have recently been printed about the canal, including one that the work would only result in failure, Mr. Taft said, had not caused him to plan his trip to Panama.

Governor Gillett Receives Visitors

REDDING, Cal., Dec. 13.—Governor Gillett was strong enough today to sit up for an hour and a half, and for the first time since he was taken ill here a week ago he was permitted to see a few visitors. The governor's condition is improving rapidly, but he still requires comparative quiet for a few days, according to his physician. He is considerably inflamed, and it probably will be a week or ten days before he can safely eat solid food. Governor Gillett was in excellent spirits today and expressed the hope that he would be able to leave for Sacramento Wednesday.

Cruisers Reach Panama

PANAMA, Dec. 13.—The Pacific armory cruiser fleet arrived here today at noon and anchored in the harbor near the Yorktown, which preceded the big cruisers by one day. The flagship West Virginia headed the column and the others followed in single file in this order: Colorado, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, California, South Dakota, Washington.

For the Children

You can confer a lasting favor on the children of your acquaintance by telling them about the Herald Junior issued every Sunday for the boys and girls of Los Angeles and Southern California.

The Herald Junior gives several dollars in prizes each week for the best letter or the best verse. Parents and school teachers all over Southern California are taking a lively interest in the Junior because they realize its value as an educational factor.

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If you are an amateur photographer see the magazine page devoted to your art. Send in a print and get the cash prize.

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TRIAL OF HAINS TO BEGIN TODAY

AUTHOR MUST ANSWER TO MURDER CHARGE

Hearing Promises to Rival in Interest and Sensational Features Many of the Most Noted Cases

FLUSHING, N. Y., Dec. 13.—The trial of T. Jenkins Hains, author, will be begun tomorrow and promises to rival in interest many of the country's noted murder trials.

FOURTEEN DEAD AND FIFTY INJURED AT BAS OBISPO

Official Dispatch from Chief Engineer Goethals Says Twenty-one Tons of Dynamite Was Exploded Prematurely

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Fourteen are known to be dead, three of them Americans, and fifty injured as a result of the premature explosion of twenty-one tons of dynamite at Bas Obispo at 11:10 this morning resulted in the death of fourteen men and the injury of fifty. Three or four of the injured will probably die. Following Americans killed:

James L. Hummer, carman, steam shovel, Dunellin, N. J.

John J. Korp, steam shovel engineer, Philadelphia, N. J.

John J. Reidy, powderman, Indianapolis, Ind.

Slightly wounded: Arthur H. Bassett, foreman, Philadelphia; W. G. Bell, foreman, New York city; W. Hayden, steam shovel engineer, Sandusky, Ohio.

A ninety-ton steam shovel lies a complete wreck, crushed under the weight of falling rocks. Every one of the crew was killed. All the tracks in this section were torn to pieces and are now covered with tons of debris.

A long time will be necessary to take away the great heaps of earth and rock in the search for the buried dead. Hundreds of men were on the scene working heroically to find the bodies of their comrades.

Many evidences of the terrible force are seen as here and there pieces of flesh and bone are turned over with pick or shovel.

The charge consisted of fifty-one holes sixty feet deep and spread over a large section of territory. The last hole was being charged by John J. Reidy, an experienced man, when it exploded.

The others were exploded by the concussion. Reidy was blown to pieces. The other Americans, including John J. Korp, a steamshovel engineer, and J. T. Hummer, steamshovel crane man. Two Spaniards were also killed and eight West Indian negroes.

ACCIDENT MOST SERIOUS SINCE U. S. TOOK CONTROL

COLON, Dec. 13.—The explosion yesterday at Bas Obispo was the most serious accident in connection with the building of the Panama canal since the United States took control.

A thorough investigation has been ordered, and already officials are taking evidence and endeavoring to ascertain the cause of the premature discharge. Thirteen bodies have been recovered, but it is believed that a score or more are still under the masses of rock and earth that were thrown up.

The death list would have been appalling had not the 500 laborers passed a few minutes later. This train had just passed through the cut and was barely out of view when the explosion occurred.

For a space of 800 feet in length and 400 feet in width the Bas Obispo cut presents a graphic picture of the terrible effects of the explosion.

The whole hillside has been devastated, the dynamite rending the earth and tossing boulders in all directions.

Predict Panama Canal Will Fail

PARIS, Dec. 13.—Since the accident to the Gatun dam, part of which recently sank, the French critics who disagree with the American plan for the construction of the Panama canal have been actively predicting its complete failure. The Figaro declares the fatal mistake on the part of the American engineers when they adopted the lock canal project, whose author, the Figaro says, was Gouline Brenon, who was the substitution of dams at Rio Grande and Gatun for Lepinay's plan for dams at Miraflores and Bohio, where the four conditions were demonstrated to be solid.

Slayer Falls to End His Life

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 13.—A special report from Helena, Mont., says that Robert Smith did not die when he attempted suicide at Plains, was made known yesterday when Sheriff Ward received a message from the sheriff of Sanders county telling him that Smith was not dead and asking him to come and get him. Smith is charged with murder, having shot Clarence Clark at Victor, where the two men were employed upon an irrigation ditch. In a note found on his body, Smith admitted the killing of Clark.

Dies from Brother's Bullet

TULSA, Okla., Dec. 13.—Oliver D. Marshbank, who was shot by his brother Lee over a religious dispute at the latter's home near Catoosa, died here tonight. Lee Marshbank is under arrest.

AMUSEMENTS

Hamburger's MAJESTIC Theater Broadway, between 8th and 9th. ALL WEEK ALL WEEK ALL WEEK

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"THE STUBBORNNESS OF GERALDINE"

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SAY POISONING WAS DUE TO PUTRID BEEF

Wholesale illness and deaths subsequent to Feast at Launching of Prometheus Blamed to Cheap Meat

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 13.—At a conference held this afternoon between Dr. J. J. Hogan of Vallejo, Dr. Martin Regensburger, president of the state board of health, and Coroner Leonard of San Francisco, to inquire into the poisoning of a number of guests who attended the launching of the collier Prometheus last week at Mare Island, it was decided that decayed beef was responsible for the illness that followed the luncheon served by Caterer L. S. Cohen.

At the conference Dr. Hogan said: "The contract with Cohen called for prime beef, and we have found that he served meat that he purchased for 7 cents a pound. This inferior meat was cooked rare and kept in that state for two days."

Three physicians agreed that the poisoning was due to putrid beef, and that while the symptoms were similar to those of ptomaine poisoning, the malady was not the same.

The inquest over the body of J. C. Reynolds, the waiter, who died presumably from the effects of the food which was served at the navy yard, will be held early this week.

Calcutta Agitated

CALCUTTA, Dec. 13.—Great excitement prevails here owing to developments in the agitation against the government. The most prominent Bengali leader in Eastern Bengal, Dutt, was arrested Saturday and conveyed to an unknown destination. Another prominent nationalist leader, Mitra, editor of the Sanjibani, has been arrested at Calcutta, while the editor of another native paper has been sentenced to the penitentiary on the charge of sedition.

As to Messes

Newcomer—We had a fine mess of fish for dinner last night. Subley—I haven't the slightest doubt, old man—your cook once worked for us—Puck.

Meaning of Law Does Not Extend to Wagers Upon Results of Racing

CINCINNATI, Dec. 13.—The decision of the Kentucky court of appeals that betting on horse races is not gambling within the meaning of the law, it is believed, save the life of the famous Latonia race course. The Latonia management sought an injunction against the state race commission, which had forbidden the installation of regular bookmakers at the various meetings this year, the case being still in the Kenton county court awaiting hearing.

Marine Surveyor Dies Suddenly

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 13.—Captain John McLavish Pantou, Lloyd's agent for Seattle and a prominent marine surveyor of Puget sound, died suddenly at his home in this city this morning. His death was caused by pneumonia following a severe attack of the grippe. Captain Pantou was pioneer captain in the oriental steamship service between Puget and Japan.

Mrs. Gates is Dead PORT ARTHUR, Tex., Dec. 13.—Mrs. Gates, mother of John W. Gates, died here today.