

MONITOR'S LOG IN RECORDS OF NAVY

Tells of Battle with Confederate Ironclad Merrimac in Hampton Roads

RETAINED BY CAPT. STODDER

Historic Document to Be Preserved in Department at Washington

WASHINGTON, July 28.—The original log book of the famous Monitor, covering the period of her engagement with the Confederate ironclad Merrimac, in Hampton roads, March 9, 1862, was yesterday given to the navy department to be preserved among its historic records.

The restoration of the log to the department was due to Captain Louis Stodder of the United States revenue cutter service, now living in Brooklyn and an officer on the Monitor during her entire service. For years he has treasured the log among his most valuable possessions, but as old age has crept over him he desired to see it placed where its preservation might be assured.

The most interesting entries concern the fight with the Merrimac. Among the entries on Sunday, March 9, 1862, are the following: "4 to 8 p. m.—Fine weather and calm. At sunrise saw three steamers lying under Sevell's point. Made one out to be the rebel steamer Merrimac. At 7:30 got under way and stood toward her and piped all hands to quarters. J. Weber."

ATTEMPT TO BUY VOTES FOR HOPKINS IS CHARGE

Roger Sullivan Said to Have Prevented Senator's Election with a Threat

CHICAGO, July 28.—The Chicago Tribune today printed a statement that an attempt was made previous to the election of Wm. Lorimer as United States senator, to purchase 17 Democratic votes at \$2000 a vote to assure the return of the then Senator Albert J. Hopkins.

The story follows closely on a luncheon where Roger Sullivan, Democratic national committeeman for Illinois, and representatives of the Legislative voters' league fired pointed remarks at each other. On this occasion Mr. Sullivan is quoted as saying: "Why don't you ask Albert J. Hopkins to look into what Albert J. Hopkins was trying to do at Springfield for four months?"

The Tribune declared that \$35,000 was collected to buy the needed votes. It was placed in the hands of two little known legislators and the block of votes selected and made ready for delivery.

It is alleged that Mr. Sullivan and Speaker Shurtliff spoiled the plan. The speaker is said to have told the culprits that he would expose the plot from the chair of the Illinois Democratic ballot was cast for Hopkins. Then Sullivan arrived at Springfield at midnight and, gathering the 17 about him, threatened to break every political bone in their bodies if they voted for Hopkins. That ended it.

The Tribune expresses the belief that the plot was formed without the knowledge of Senator Hopkins.

DISCREDITS REPORTS OF PLAN TO PURCHASE VOTES Former Senator Hopkins Discusses Chicago Rumor

DENVER, July 28.—Albert J. Hopkins, former United States senator, who was in Denver today, expressed skepticism regarding the story printed in Chicago that a corruption fund had been formed in Springfield among certain Democrats to buy votes for him for senator.

"I don't know anything about the charge," said the former senator. "I have taken no interest in politics since my defeat. I doubt the entire story. The deadlock in the legislature continued from January 21 to May 26 and it is hardly probable that such an attempted proceeding could remain clouded in secrecy for four months. "There may be a motive behind the story," continued Hopkins, "having for its design the clouding of the investigation and trial of the Lorimer bribery cases. Certainly Lorimer secured his seat by the most disreputable and scandalous methods ever witnessed in this country."

ENGLISH CAPITAL CONTROLS R. I. RY.

Well Informed Persons Say Foreign Syndicate Will Retain American Co.'s Shares

NEW RAILROAD GRANT TALKED

Market Decline Causes Outside Capital to Place Stock with Bankers

NEW YORK, July 28.—With the sale of the so-called Pearson holdings in Rock Island, Lehigh Valley, Wabash, Missouri Pacific and Denver & Rio Grande stock confirmed, Wall street was asking today what the Kuhn-Loeb syndicate, the purchasers, purpose to do with the securities.

Dr. F. D. Pearson and his brother associates acquired the stock late in 1909 and early in 1910, with the dream of a vast transcontinental system. This plan must now be abandoned, temporarily at least, but opinion is divided as to whether it will be revived under new and more powerful guidance.

Notwithstanding the sale there is apparently no disposition on the part of the bankers' syndicate to dispense with the services of Mr. Pearson and his English associate, Percival Farquhar, both of whom are likely to remain directors of the railway companies concerned as heretofore.

The American members of the syndicate acting with Kuhn, Loeb & Co., include the First National bank, a Morgan institution, but the Morgan banking house itself, it is emphatically declared, is in no way a party to the syndicate. It is believed, however, that the Kuhn-Loeb syndicate will ere long sell to J. P. Morgan & Co. its newly acquired Lehigh Valley holdings, so that the road will remain in the hands of the Morgan interests where it has always been.

ENGLISH INTERESTS BUY STOCK Although Kuhn, Loeb & Co., made no announcement today regarding the developments, the company in connection with English interests headed by Sir Ernest Cassell has obtained the largest single holding of Rock Island, both common and preferred. The syndicate is said to have been made up of Canadian and English operators with English connections, headed by Dr. E. S. Pearson, and had for its aim a new transcontinental group. The decline in the market upset the plan and necessitated a turning over of the stocks purchased.

Whether the transcontinental plan will be carried out by the new Rock Island controllers, or whether the new interests will assert their power in altering present management still depends on unsettled factors. Certain banking interests here have looked on the original Pearson plan with favor, and it is not unlikely that steps will be taken to carry it out.

STOCK SELLS HEAVILY PHILADELPHIA, July 28.—The heavy dealing in Lehigh Valley stock yesterday was still in evidence when the Philadelphia exchange opened today. The stock opened strong at 71 against 66 3/8 at the close yesterday. Lehigh Valley warrants sold at 21. More than 30,500 shares of the stock changed hands in the first 10 minutes of business, in fact practically all the early trading being in Lehigh Valley.

POPE SENDS PRACTICAL ULTIMATUM TO SPAIN Premier Will Advise Closing Diplomatic Relations

MADRID, July 28.—Premier Canalejas confirmed today that what was practically an ultimatum had been received from the Vatican.

PREMIER TO ASK RECALL OF MINISTER TO VATICAN PARIS, July 28.—A special from Madrid today says the Spanish government has received from the Vatican a categorical refusal to proceed with the negotiations for a revision of the concordat unless the imperial decree of June 10, which authorized non-religious societies to display the insignia for public worship, is withdrawn.

SMALLPOX IN JAIL SAN FRANCISCO, July 28.—A ten days' quarantine of the county jail at San Francisco has been declared and all the prisoners are being vaccinated as the result of the appearance of a case of smallpox in the institution. The victim is John Walker, awaiting trial on a charge of forgery.

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