

ONLY HELPS SILVER.

Balfour's Plain Talk on the Currency Question.

NO HELP FROM ENGLAND.

But the Bold Statement Will Stop Further Delay in Action Here.

SPEAKER CRISP'S TOUR ABROAD.

As a Leader of the Minority of the Next Congress He Went for Information.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—Balfour in the House of Commons yesterday set a seal of disappointment on the hopes of those silver men who had been counting on an international agreement. He gave it as his opinion that such an agreement in the interest of bimetallicism could not be reached. The question, therefore, follows, Why further agitate the proposition of an international conference?

This opinion does not surprise the more extreme silver men in Washington. They have been looking for it. It is in consonance with their own views, held from the moment of the ascertainment of the great Conservative victory in England. They knew Balfour's personal feeling in the premises, but they predicted that silver could not materially benefit from the change in the administration. For all that he is the leader of the larger majority in the House of Commons of modern times, Balfour can do nothing toward the rehabilitation of silver as redemption money.

The announcement is a source of comfort to the free coinage men. They hail it as simplifying the issue in this country. In their opinion a settlement of the question has for six years at least been retarded by the glittering promises of securing England's aid in the fight. And yet, as they hold, it has never been among the probabilities to enlist England in the cause. The old evasion, therefore, is no longer serviceable. England is not in, and can no longer be used by the men who have been hiding behind her. The question is now thought to be stripped of all incumbrances. It must be decided purely on its relation to the policy of this country. An international agreement is pronounced improbable by an authority from which there would appear to be no appeal.

Growing out of the discussion of the subject is an explanation of the visit abroad of Mr. Crisp. The ex-Speaker is a member of the Board of Commissioners, recommended and partly filled by the last Congress, to represent the United States at an International Monetary Conference, should one be called. It is said that several months ago Mr. Crisp became satisfied that a conference was unlikely, and if he was to acquaint himself at first hand with the views of foreign statesmen on the silver question it must be by means of a visit as an individual. His friends agreed with him and advised the trip. They pointed out to him that the minority in the next House, where finances are certain to be so strongly debated, he would need all the information he could acquire, and that it should be all of the most reliable character.

This is said to have decided the matter, and he set at once about preparing for the journey. So, whether there is a conference or not, Mr. Crisp will be ready next winter to discuss the silver question according to the best European lights and in a conclusive manner.

SELLING THE PLANT.

Uncle Sam Will Cease Experimenting in Sugar Production.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—All experiments in sugar production are to be abandoned by the Government. Secretary Morton will dispose in rapid order of all the property and plants used for that purpose. The Secretary has sold to Boland & Sandwind and A. Marx of New Orleans the machinery, pumps, boilers, engines and buildings formerly employed in these experiments at Audubon Park, New Orleans, the Magnolia plantation at Lawrence, the H. C. Warmoth plant, near Medicine Lodge, Kans., and the station at Runnymede, Fla. The deal has just been closed.

It has been announced that Secretary Morton will sell all the property used in sugar experiments in California and Nebraska and other States. The sale of the property, which aggregates a very large sum, shows that the Government intends to take no active part hereafter in the promotion of private enterprises. Full details of the transactions are not yet made public.

Only an Incident.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—A statement received at the State Department from Matrojeni Bey, the Turkish Minister to this country, indicates that the reported attack on St. Paul's College, an American institution at Tarsus, Armenia, was erroneous and was based on nothing more than a casual incident.

Fraudulent Use of Mails.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—Chief Postoffice Inspector Wheeler to-day received a telegram announcing the arrest at Las Vegas, N. Mex., of W. T. Findlay for fraudulent use of the mails. He was arrested yesterday at Cleveland, Ohio, of his confederate, C. A. Moore.

Failure of a Bank.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—Comptroller Eckels was informed to-day that the

First National Bank of Franklin, Warren County, Ohio, had closed its doors. He telegraphed Bank Examiner Betts to assume charge of the failed bank. At the date of the report, July 11, the bank had \$224,000 in loans and discounts, and owed individual depositors \$169,000. No cause is assigned for the failure.

In Behalf of Bannocks.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 23.—Attorney-General Harmon to-day telegraphed to Gibson Clarke, United States District Attorney for Wyoming, to apply to the United States courts for writs of habeas corpus in the cases of the Bannocks and Shoshone Indians under arrest at Evansville, Wyo. The Attorney-General in directing this action holds that the treaty rights of Indians with the United States are superior to the game laws of Wyoming.

MAJOR WOODHOUSE TALKS.

The British Commissioner Explains His Treatment by the Dole People. NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 23.—Major Woodhouse, ex-Minister to Hawaii, who arrived here this morning from Honolulu, and is stopping at the Windsor Hotel, was seen to-night by a reporter, and spoke freely of the situation in Hawaii. He said: "Just before I left Honolulu I asked permission of the Hawaiian authorities to make my farewell to the Queen, to whom I had been accredited as British Minister by Queen Victoria, but was refused. I had no opportunity of seeing her or ascertaining what her condition was. All I know is that she is still a prisoner in her own palace, which has now been converted to other uses, namely, for Government offices and troops. As I was not allowed to see her, I cannot say what her future may be. The financial condition of the country is very bad, and the Government is getting deeper into debt every day."

RUSSIA'S FLOATING PALACE.

Construction of an Immense Steam Yacht at the Copenhagen Yards.

The Only Rival to This Wonderful Craft Will Be Harry McCallmont's Steamer.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 23.—One of the handsomest and most palatial of modern steam yachts is the Russian imperial vessel Standard, now being built by Burmeister & Wain at Copenhagen. She is an enormous yacht, her over-all length being 417 feet—35 feet greater than that of the Valiant, W. K. Vanderbilt's huge cruising steamer. Her loaded water-line length is 370 feet, her depth 36 feet and her displacement 5250 tons. The Valiant has a water-line length of 291 feet 3 inches, and an extreme beam of 39 feet 2 inches.

The Standard is to have two sets of triple-expansion engines and 24 Bellevue water tube boilers, with a working pressure of 245 pounds. These engines are to give an indicated horsepower of 12,000, and are expected to drive the boat along at a speed of 20 knots an hour. The steering gear is to be so arranged that it can be worked by hydraulic or hand power. There will be an apparatus for distilling fresh water for the boilers, as well as for drinking purposes.

The chief rooms of the vessel are situated aft. The imperial apartments will be arranged on the main deck. They consist of several elegant cabins, a drawing-room and a small dining saloon, seating eighteen persons. Between decks there will also be more imperial apartments. The greater space of this deck will be fitted up for the imperial suite. On the lower deck there will be rooms for the servants. On the upper deck at a roomy deckhouse will be erected, containing some imperial apartments and a dining saloon for sixty persons.

On the main deck amidships there will be rooms for the Marine Minister, the Admiral and the superior officers. At the fore part there will be the officers' berths and messroom. Forward of the messroom will be the quarters for the crew, about 400 men. The yacht will have two funnels and three main masts and four sails. She will carry six light guns for saluting purposes.

The Standard will not be finished for at least a year. When she is done her only rivals in pleasure craft will be the Glaida, the "Pelagic Palace," as the London writers delight to call her, belonging to Harry McCallmont, the young millionaire, who is one of the members of the Valkyrie syndicate.

OFFICERS BAFFLED.

Detective Powers' Slayers Are Still at Liberty.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Aug. 23.—The detectives and the police have obtained no tangible clue to the whereabouts of the two train-robbers who shot and killed Detective Powers on a Grand Rapids and Indiana train in this city last night. The country has been scoured by officers all day, but they have accomplished little or nothing.

A suspect was arrested near Sparta to-day and brought here. He gave his name as Ed Brook and claims he was looking for work among the fruit farms. He said he camped in the woods last night. A second suspect was brought in and locked up by Deputy Sheriff Bouma late this evening. He gives his name as Alfred Rusted and is a Norwegian. He refuses to talk.

A rumor was rife on the streets this afternoon to the effect that Under-Sheriff Reed of Counsellville had been shot and killed while attempting to arrest two fleeing murderers. The report is untrue.

Hastings' Forces Won.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Aug. 23.—The Lehigh County Republican primaries were held to-night, and from the returns received the Hastings forces have swept the county. All the counties in the State have had their conventions, and the issue between the Republican factions will be decided at the State convention Wednesday next.

REPORT OF THE ACADEMIE DE MEDICINE OF FRANCE

Apollinaris "THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATERS." THE RESULTS OF THE RECENT INVESTIGATIONS IN PARIS AND THE REPORT OF THE ACADEMIE DE MEDICINE OF FRANCE HAVE PLACED APOLLINARIS WATER AT THE HEAD OF ALL THE WATERS EXAMINED FOR PURITY AND FREEDOM FROM DISEASE GERMS.

ON EASTERN TRACKS.

Comanche Died While Trotting in a Big Race.

BROKE A BLOOD VESSEL.

Star Pointer Defeated Mascot and Directly in a Pacing Contest.

GEERS KNEW HOW TO DRIVE.

Close of the Summer Meeting of the Queens County Jockey Club.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 23.—The twenty-second annual meeting of the Rochester Driving Park was brought to a close to-day. It was dark before the last heat was trotted, and unless something is done to modify the betting laws Rochester has seen its last grand circuit meet. During the afternoon J. S. Johnson, accompanied by J. O'Conner, Al Stevenson, Weinig and Seavey as pacers, started to beat the track record of 57-2-5 seconds for a mile. The start was from the third quarter to the quarter-pole, and Johnson succeeded in covering the distance in 52-2-5 seconds; the first quarter in 27 seconds and the second in 25-2-5 seconds, the world's track record in public, and also for Weinig and Seavey on a tandem, they finishing well ahead of Johnson.

As the horses were finishing in the second heat, the bookmaker, who had been betting on King-Mink, by Hamlin's Patchen, when near the distance flag, faltered, reeled to one side and fell over on his side and expired, probably from the rupture of a blood vessel. The driver jumped and escaped injury. Comanche was nine years old and the property of Mr. Curtis of Buffalo and valued at \$3000.

2-21 class, trotting, purse \$1000. Orange Lander, b. h., by Greenleaf-Orange (Geers)..... 1 1 1 Yankee Luck, b. g..... 2 2 2 Red of Warlock, b. g..... 3 3 3 Joe Jock..... 4 4 4 Miss Hun..... 5 5 5 Comanche..... 6 6 3

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Buenos Ayers second, Barney Aaron Jr. third. Time, 1:06. Four and a half furlongs, Thurman won, Little Ell second, Guy Strauss third. Time, 58.

REY EL SANTA ANITA DOPED.

One Reason Why Lucky Baldwin's Mare Failed to Win a Race. SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 23.—There promises to be another big shake-up in the "Lucky" Baldwin's stable in a few days, and it will not be surprising to learn that the Jockey Club has a case on its hands. The cause of the trouble was the miserable performance of Rey el Santa Anita in the Spencer handicap, in which he was disgracefully beaten by Sir Excess and Zaragoza. Isaac Murphy rode the colt, and it was he who first went to Mr. Baldwin and told him he thought the horse had been doped. Baldwin was of the same opinion, and between them they started a little investigation, which was unfruitful as far as could be learned.

The California millionaire went to his trainer, Sam Hildreth, for an explanation, and the latter said the reason the colt had performed so poorly was because Murphy was drunk. Baldwin hunted up Murphy and satisfied himself that the jockey was sober, and he then proceeded to talk to his trainer in a manner the latter did not relish in the least. The California millionaire was very wrathful and openly stated that he candidly believed that Rey el Santa Anita had been doped and that it was done by some one in the stable. There was something wrong with the colt, for Murphy drew the whip on him before three-eighths of a mile was run, but he never responded, and kept dropping out of the race. He was beaten by Zaragoza for second money. Murphy sought out Baldwin as soon as he was dressed and told him his opinion of affairs.

Murphy and Jockey Murphy made a statement to a reporter yesterday concerning the race. Baldwin said: "I felt suspicious about the race all the time. The night before I was talking to the bookmaker, and he told me that he was going to bet against my horse to the extent of \$5000 or \$6000. I asked him why, and he said he felt sure that Sir Excess would beat him. I know there is something in the world, and that my horse was a horse. However, I don't intend to let the matter rest here."

Murphy's statement was to the effect that the horse had evidently been "doped," for he did not have a particle of speed and he did not take the bit in his mouth. He said that any horse that could beat Clifford in the manner he did a few days previous would surely show speed at some part of the race.

NO LOYALTY FOR SPAIN.

Cuban Patriots Are Bound to Win, Says Mrs. Rodriguez.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 23.—"There can be no doubt that Cuba will win her independence," said Mrs. Rodriguez yesterday to a reporter. Mrs. Rodriguez is the wife of the Cuban leader who won fame in the ten years' war. She comes to New York directly from the seat of active hostilities in Cuba. She continued: "With my mother I left Puerto Principe, the capital of Camaguay, August 10. We had no trouble getting out of the country. Trains run as usual, although Puerto Principe is invested by the Cuban forces. Trains run fairly regular and are free from attacks, except when carrying arms, ammunition or troops. The patriots are generally well informed in such cases. When troops or arms are being transported the tracks are torn up in front and in rear of the trains, making escape impossible. Supplies are confiscated and the soldiers are taken prisoners, but given their choice of going home without arms or joining the Cuban army. Usually they prefer the latter."

"Puerto Principe had a population of 50,000 at the beginning of the revolution. Most of the able-bodied citizens have joined the patriots, leaving the city in the hands of 3000 Spaniards. That is the situation to-day. General Gomez has a cordon of sharpshooters posted in strong positions, entirely surrounding the town. They are well protected behind rocks and trees, and are carrying out a carefully laid plan of campaign—that is, not to make an open attack on the city, but to shoot and kill every man who appears outside the city."

"Gomez could capture the town any day, but he understands very well that among the inhabitants are the wives and children of many of the patriots in the field. They would be subjected to unnecessary danger and terror. Nothing would be gained by such a sacrifice. It is the men who are fighting under the Spanish flag that the Cubans are after."

"This consideration for the helpless families in Puerto Principe and other places is the cause of Gomez's humane policy. For instance, he allows cattle and all kinds of supplies to enter the city. That saves human life. But as a war measure he will allow neither provisions nor arms nor supplies of any kind to go out of the city to the Spanish troops."

"The Spanish outposts are simply targets for the insurgent sharpshooters and are picked off by the dozen every day. General Gomez's policy is to make no attack on the Spaniards in towns or strongly entrenched places. But the moment they send armed bands into the country they are wiped out. It is impossible for the Spanish troops to penetrate the interior and survive, except when they move in a large body amounting to an army."

"There is no such thing as real loyalty for Spain among the people in Cuba. They have been oppressed beyond all knowledge; have been subjected to every kind of tyranny that will put a dollar into the Spanish treasury. For instance, if my sister or brother wanted to visit me in Puerto Principe they had to so inform the police and obtain a permit to enter my house. No friend or relative can stop at night under the roof of other friends without notifying the authorities. To visit members of one's own family in another house without promptly sending word to the proper officials would cause wholesale arrests of the offenders."

"The yellow fever is worse than has been reported. It is spreading rapidly, owing to the presence of large bodies of unacclimated soldiers. They are naturally filthy, and know nothing of the precautions necessary to prevent disease. But we are informed by friends in the field with General Gomez that there had been no fever among his troops up to the time of our leaving the island. The yellow fever situation is serious for Spain."

Gladstone's Prediction.

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 23.—The Daily News will to-morrow say that among the guests at Mr. Gladstone's garden party on Thursday were the American ex-Postmaster-General, Thomas T. James, and his daughters and E. A. Quintard of New York. In conversation with these guests Mr. Gladstone remarked that he used to prophesy that if the United States adopted free trade they would attain the highest position in the world. Nevertheless they would not injure England; on the contrary they would improve her position. He declared that sooner or later something would be done for Ireland. His hearers fully acquiesced in his remarks.

Leprosy in Colombia.

PANAMA, Colombia, Aug. 23.—A special to the Star and Herald from Bogota states that a meeting was held there, having for its object the erection of a national lazaretto for lepers, and that \$29,800 has already been subscribed as a nucleus of a fund for the purpose.

Rowe Deeply Indebted.

PEORIA, ILL., Aug. 23.—The directors of the Western Association of Baseball Clubs continued its session to-day. The Omaha franchise was taken from Dave Rowe, and the Denver and Springfield clubs dropped from the league, which will be continued for the season of 1896. Rowe is indebted to the league to the extent of \$600, and the feeling against him is intense. A new schedule has been arranged which provides for a series of four games at each point instead of three as heretofore.

For Maher and Jackson.

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 23.—The Bolingbroke Club has offered a purse of 2500 and £50 to each man for expenses, for a fight between Maher and Jackson.

Good Crops Assured.

DES MOINES, IOWA, Aug. 23.—The best rain of the season has fallen all over Iowa in the last twenty-four hours. Reports from all over the State indicate the fall has been from 1 to 3 inches. There was no wind or electrical disturbances to do damage. The storm was badly needed. It is the first rain of the season of any consequence. The crops have been already much damaged by drought. This rain has been the best in the parts of the State which needed it most, except the extreme southeast, where the fall was very light. It assures good crop crops even if there is no more rain.

FIGHTING FOR CUBA.

Provisions Sent Out by the Spanish Taken by Rebels.

GUERRILLAS THE ESCORT.

There is Little Doubt That the Natives Will Win Their Freedom.

MRS. RODRIGUEZ SO PREDICTS.

Outposts of the Regular Troops Simply Targets for Insurgent Sharpshooters.

KEY WEST, Fla., Aug. 23.—A letter from a special correspondent of the United Press at Santiago de Cuba, dated August 15, says: At 6 o'clock this morning a convoy consisting of fifty wagons and fifty mules, loaded with provisions and ammunition, left the city for the village of Cobre, escorted by guerrillas and a body of regular troops, in all 400 men. The rebels having heard of this have been gathered for two days in that direction in great numbers, under the command of Colonel Higimo Vasquez, successor of Goniet. They met the convoy a little beyond La Loma de la Cruz, where, at this moment, 2 p. m., they are fighting; but, of course, it is impossible to have any details yet.

Infested With Pirates.

MARSEILLES, FRANCE, Aug. 23.—The French steamer Clifton, which has arrived from the coast of Africa, reports that Tonking is infested with pirates who constantly harass the French troops.

A Town in Hungary Burning.

VIENNA, AUSTRIA, Aug. 23.—The town of Sillein, in Hungary, has been on fire since last evening. Assistance has been sent from near-by towns, but the flames have not yet been controlled. No details are as yet obtainable. Sillein has a population of about 3000.

Wasteful Diseases Weaken Women.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 23.—One of the argus eyes of Wall street is turned intently upon J. Pierpont Morgan these days with a wondering look as to what hand he is going to play in the reorganization of the Northern Pacific Railroad. On this point, and also regarding the J. J. Hill plan, prominent Wall-street men, who are deeply interested in the situation and is unquestioned authority on these subjects, said yesterday: "When Morgan came back from his trip on the Corsair he ascertained about as soon as he put foot on shore that Hill had undertaken to deliver more than he was able to supply. In plain figures, Hill was short just \$15,000,000 on the guaranty which he had assured Morgan he could put up in case Morgan would undertake the reorganization of the road in harmony with the Great Northern. When Morgan got back he satisfied himself of the situation at once and declined Hill's offer, and now the Hill plan is absolutely dead."

Unable to Hold Up His End in a Deal by Fifteen Millions.

So J. Pierpont Morgan May Undertake to Reorganize the Northern Pacific Himself.

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