

# SIGNS INDICATE EARLY BREAK IN THE DEADLOCK

## Administration at Washington Anxious for a Senator but Not for Burns.

# A NEW BRACER FOR THE TOUTS

## The Mexican Working the Grant Friendship Scheme for All It Is Worth in Order to Hold the Column Solid a Little Longer.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, March 12.—The statement that the administration at Washington will not interfere in the contest for United States Senator now in progress here is again corroborated. To-night General Barnes received a letter from Judge Wayne in which the latter writes under date of Modesto, March 12, as follows:

"I have a letter from Mr. Hanna, in which he expresses great anxiety to have a Senator elected. Says he has not taken sides with any one."

It is known that the "organization" made an effort to get from Washington an expression of some kind favorable to the aspirations of D. M. Burns, and it is now clear that the attempt was unsuccessful. The duty of electing a Senator will be performed by the Republican majority in the Legislature. The signs to-night indicate that the deadlock will be broken. Colonel J. P. Jackson, Collector of the Port of San Francisco, went home to-day but will return to this place to-morrow evening. Senator Currier of Los Angeles, who has been absent from the Senate for three weeks or more, returned to-night and will cast his vote for United States Senator on the joint ballots to-morrow. It is here to-night that he will vote for General Barnes.

Assemblyman Huber went south day before yesterday. He will probably return to-morrow or next day. Assemblyman Le Barron may leave Sacramento for his home in Sonoma County next Wednesday evening. His mind is not fully made up on this point, but he says that business affairs at home demand his personal attention. He will return here provided the session of the Legislature is prolonged beyond the coming week.

The whispered rumors regarding a close relationship between the camps of Dan Burns and U. S. Grant are given out for circulation by the chief touts of the Burns camp. The purpose in view is to brace up the weak and despondent followers of the "Colonel." The Burns forces are badly demoralized by the defeat of the Harbor commission recently. Some of the "home" demagogues on Burns' defeat on poisselling propositions.

Several of the supporters of the "Colonel" began to show signs of defection. Some of them saw for themselves that the boasts of controlling legislation were empty assertions of strength. Something had to be done to brace up the column and keep the ranks from falling. Some of the demagogues did a little brain work on their own account called to mind that Governor Gage had not vetoed all the legislative measures which emanated from the Grant and Barnes supporters, and whether had he shown any preference for the bills emanating from the leaders in the Burns camp.

These facts, coupled with others of equal significance, aroused the suspicion that the promises of State patronage, so freely made in the corral, were "bricks." In order to stop a breakaway a new confidence scheme had to be concocted. Some of the demagogues, Lindley, fancied that it would be a deep game to spread abroad the impression that an alliance between Burns and Grant had been established. The reports of negotiations between Grant and Burns are utterly false and absurd. Burns cannot make any headway by compromise or negotiation. He is simply facing an impassable wall created by the aid and power of the public judgment. With the assistance of Democrats he may be able to force an adjournment of the Legislature before a choice of a Senator is reached, but he cannot gain the prize himself.

Should the Southern Pacific Railroad refuse to sustain him in the effort to prevent the election of a Senator, his chance of success in the scheme would be very slender.

The fifty-eight members of the Legislature who have resolved that there shall be no caucus and that this State shall not be disgraced by the election of an unworthy man, represent the integrity and ability of the Legislature. The superior debaters and the best parliamentary generals are among them. They are here serving the people with the hope of other good words than the commendation of the people, and they will stay until the Legislature adjourns.

Red-eyed hunger has raised a pretty row in the camp of the Mexican. Sixty days of uncounted affluence and ten days of meager banqueting at Sacramento's none-too-beautiful lunch counters has left the San Francisco gang in a state of penury which is distressing. Not one of them but owes in San Francisco the price of his election to this session of the Legislature. Many of them are in debt for from a hundred to six hundred apiece, and those who have managed to have been reduced to the necessity of remittances from that quarter for two weeks past. The truth of the matter is that there has been not a dollar's worth of "business" done since the gang came up here to vote for "de Colonel," and no well regulated "Polly" from the sunny side of Market can exist through a prolonged session on the \$8 per diem provided by the State. That, however, is the rub. The lack of cash might be taken under ordinary circumstances as a San Joaquin farmer takes a scant rainfall, as a misfortune, but in the present circumstances suspicion that the "stuff" has arrived and not been doled out that has raised the rumpus, and it has raised it to the extent that yesterday two of the most prominent members of the metropolitan delegation called on Burns and on behalf of the crowd delivered its ultimatum. Something must be done "before adjournment, and the leaders have got to least make a divvy of what is coming into the corral.

The fender bill ran its weary length through both houses and left no golden

trail behind it. The harbor bill left the same unalloyed memory. Then the nickel-in-the-slot bunch was punctuated with no dollar marks, and the gang began to ask questions. They had seen their leaders doing the line with "wads of long green" that would make the eyes of a veteran of '91 ache. They have under the major regaling self and "Jake" on French dinners that conjured memories of hapier and more prolific days, and have wondered where the price was when the nickel-in-the-slot bunch was doled and ate no dinners and the most logical conclusion possible from the gang was that the "stuff" was on hand and in plenty, but that it was getting no farther than headquarters.

Then came the Santa Fe bill. Two days before that measure came up on its final passage the gang "hollered murder," as it was expressed by a prominent member. "No stuff, no vote," was the ultimatum, and for forty-eight hours matters looked serious for the bill in the Assembly. An hour before it was called up, however, word came from headquarters to stand in. The whip was laid on and had a salutary effect, and the gang had nothing to do but throw up its hand and shout "amen" when the bill came.

Rebellion has been almost open. The gang cannot be convinced that dollars in large numbers were not used in getting the measure through, and they are not likely to be convinced that the whole sack. They look at it as a cold-blooded business proposition and figure that they have been bunked out of their money.

It was this that caused the visit of yesterday to the colonel. Those who represented the gang told without embellishment their tale of woe and how they had been "bunked out" while he need not fear defection from the ranks it would be for him to remember that the crowd would not stand everything, and that his lieutenants must attend to the matter of fair things and give them a chance to make enough at least to pay off those pre-election obligations. The prospect of going back home next week with empty pockets is not a pleasing and overdue notes to face is not pleasing and the week must bring forth profit.

Senator Currier of Los Angeles, who arrived from the south this evening, went to his apartments on the floor street and gave directions to deny admission to callers, as he required rest. While his health is not fully restored he expects to be able to attend the joint Assembly to-morrow. His most intimate friends say that he will vote for General Barnes.

Milton Green to-night telephoned to the Grant people that he would be here to-morrow forenoon. He expected to leave Oakland this evening, but his wife's physicians advised him to remain at home until Monday morning.

**MANY HEARTS TO BE MADE GLAD THIS WEEK**

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, March 12.—It is expected that during the present week Governor Gage will make a number of appointments and thus make happy many Republicans who have been slated for several of the places within the gift of the Chief Executive since the beginning of the year. It is necessary that some of the appointments to be made by the Governor shall be done by the Legislature, and of this class are the ones that will be announced during the present week that they may be acted on by the Senate before adjournment of the Legislature.

There are several candidates in the field for the position of State Labor Commissioner. One of these is Lou Martin, sergeant at arms of the Senate. Martin is well liked and highly esteemed by men of all shades of political belief, and during his incumbency of his present position he has gained a host of friends. Contrary to the general rule in such cases, Martin's candidature for the position of Labor Commissioner is a popular one.

**Working for Adjournment.**

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, March 12.—The Finance Committee of the Senate has decided that the general appropriation bill must be ready by Wednesday so as to allow adjournment on Saturday next. The committee held a session to-day and agreed on appropriations for public institutions, but there was no material change made in the bill. Some of the State officers will be called before the committee to show why they should be given as much as the bill allows them, but it is not expected that any changes will be made in the items. The committee will consider the bill to-morrow and Tuesday, and Wednesday, if the present plan prove effective, the bill will reach the Senate.

**TRANSPORTING HERDS TO THE LOWLANDS**

Miller & Lux Removing Stock to the Tule Islands of the San Joaquin.

STOCKTON, March 12.—Miller & Lux are bringing in their droves of cattle from Kern and the lower counties, where it is anticipated the drought will strike the herd. Last night seventeen carloads of stock were brought here for removal down to the tule islands, and it is understood shipments will consist of several thousand head are put on the lowlands. The stock of this firm was on the islands last year, but was removed south in the fall in the belief that two dry years would not fall together. By the river the stock at least is assured of water, but the outlook for even this is dismal, according to reports from grazing districts further south. At several points in this country stock has been turned in on wheat fields. On the west side, where two crops were planted, it is not believed any amount of rain would bring the crop out. In spite of this situation farmers in some districts have not given up hope that late showers will give them at least a partial crop.

**King Oscar's Life Insured.**

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STOCKHOLM, March 12.—King Oscar, who is 70 years old, has just had his life insured in a Swedish company. The premium is 7,000 kroners a year. I understand some of the American companies competed without getting a chance.

# ENTIRELY IGNORANT OF ITALY'S STANDING

## So Stronger Measures Than an Ultimatum May Cause China to Give Up San Mun Bay.

LONDON, March 13.—The Peking correspondent of the Times says regarding the demand of the Italian Government for a concession at San Mun Bay the stronger measures than the ultimatum of Signor Martino, the Italian Minister at Peking, will be necessary to induce compliance, as the foreign office is "entirely ignorant of Italy's standing among the nations."

According to a dispatch to the Daily Mail from St. Petersburg, Tallen Wan, the Russian fortified port in the Liau Tong Peninsula, will be opened as a free port on the completion of the Manchurian Railway in 1902.

# AS REVEALED BY THE RED BOOK

## Political Capital May Be Found.

# STAND OF THE PRESIDENT

## APPEARED ANXIOUS TO CONTINUE WAR WITH SPAIN.

## It Is Explained, However, That McKinley and Day Displayed the Correct Diplomatic Attitude.

NEW YORK, March 12.—The Herald's Washington correspondent sends the following: Administration officials are very much gratified at the ability and tact displayed by Ambassador Jules Cambon in representing Spain during the peace negotiations last summer, as shown by the correspondence made public in the Spanish red-book and printed in the Herald this morning.

Embassador Cambon's letter, in which he says the President and Secretary Day seemed to be disappointed when Spain accepted the terms of peace, and that it seemed to be apparent that they thought Spain would reject the terms and afford a greater excuse for forcing the war to an end, will probably be made much of by political opponents of the administration. It will be seized upon by Democrats as an evidence that the President wanted to continue the war for the mere sake of fighting, and that he wanted to still further humiliate an already defeated nation.

Both the President and Mr. Day will be charged with being jingoes of the most extreme type, who were not satisfied with obtaining a relinquishment of Spanish sovereignty in Cuba, the cession of Porto Rico and Guam and the submission of the sovereignty of the Philippines to the peace commission, but wished to carry the war to the extent of depriving Spain of all her colonies, and perhaps even to the extent of bombarding the seacoast cities on the Spanish peninsula.

In opposition to this argument it can be said that as M. Boeuf, chancellor of the French embassy, explains, the disappointment of the President was not because Spain had accepted, but

# TE DEUM AT ST. PETER'S.

## Celebrated to Commemorate Pope Leo's Recovery.

ROME, March 12.—The solemn Te Deum was celebrated at St. Peter's Cathedral to-day to commemorate the Pope's recovery and his coronation in the chapel on March 3, 1878. Cardinal Rampolla, papal Secretary of State, officiated in the presence of an immense congregation.

This evening the Piazz di San Pietro is illuminated.



MEXICAN DAN! "BOO HOO! THEY WON'T LET ME HAVE A CAUCUS."

# LIVES LOST IN THE BLIZZARD

## Two Fatalities in the Black Hills.

# RANCHER'S SON IS MISSING

## BELIEVED TO HAVE PERISHED DURING THE STORM.

## Streets of Michigan Cities Blocked by Snowbanks From Four to Eight Feet in Depth.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

OMAHA, March 12.—A Bee special from Rapid City, S. D., says: The blizzard that swept over the country east of this city last week was the worst ever experienced here. Reports just coming in say at least two lives were lost. The son of Shelby Reed, a large sheep owner, who was out tending sheep, is missing, and there is little doubt that he perished. A mail carrier named Pearson is missing. Shelby's horse came home riderless during the storm and the saddle has been found. It is feared others were caught in the storm and have perished.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 12.—The latest news received here from the Cheyenne and Northern passenger train, snowbound near Iron Mountain for over two weeks, is that the train is expected to arrive here about Tuesday. The relief train sent from here on Friday has been unable to make much headway against the snowdrifts. Although the provision supply of the imprisoned train is small, it is said there is no danger of the passengers suffering for the want of food. The farmers in the vicinity are supplying them with what they can spare from their limited stock on hand.

DETROIT, Mich., March 12.—A special to the Tribune from Bessemer says: The heaviest storm in the history of the snow belt is prevailing. For forty-eight hours all trains have been snowed in at different places. Streets are blocked by banks of snow from four to eight feet deep. This, with former storms, will make the total fall of snow about eight to twelve feet on an average. In some places the drifts are from the top of one roof to another. Telegraph wires are down and all communications are by private lines.

A special from Houghton says: A howling blizzard for the past twenty-four hours has tied up everything. All trains are canceled and no railroad communication with the East has been had since Saturday. A double-header sent out this morning over the Mineral Range struck a snow bank twelve feet high one mile west of Haycock and a gang of snow shovelers was dispatched to shovel the engines out. Snow drifts eight feet high are in the streets.

Calumet reports the streets completely blocked and in places the drifts cover the first story of some of the business houses. Joseph Willmer, a trawler, was found frozen to death to-day.

MILWAUKEE, March 12.—Through-out the Wisconsin Valley districts the snow is from one to four feet deep on the level. Trains to-day were several hours late. Many of the streams in Eastern Wisconsin and Northern Wisconsin have overflowed, washing out railway tracks in many places.

OSHKOSH, Wis., March 12.—A heavy rain flooding by a thaw has resulted in the flooding of the various parts of the city. In the low district of the south side a number of streets are under water and many families have been compelled to move their household goods to the upper stories.

# GO MEZ GLAD TO SHEAR HIS SWORD

## Touching Manifesto as to Removal From Army's Command.

## It Is Believed, However, That a Majority of Cubans Will Uphold Their Veteran Leader.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

HAVANA, March 12.—General Gomez has issued the following statement to the Cuban people and army:

By the use of the supreme faculties with which it is endowed, the Assembly, representing the army only, has designated me as commander-in-chief of the Cuban army, which grade it conferred upon me in the name of the commander-in-chief I have always followed the dictates of my best conscience and the call of great national needs, endeavored in circumstances to fulfill my duty.

The Assembly considers the fact that I do not desire to raise arms, which would compromise the great financial and political interests of Cuba, to be an act of insubordination, and of want of respect. The primary cause for the action taken against me is my conviction that this country should be free in the exercise of its own sovereignty, as a republic of union and concord, proclaimed "Monte Cristo and sustained by the sword on the field of battle, free from all compromise, keeping the nation's honor spotless.

As for the rest, as a sincere man, I confess I thank them because they relieve me of great political obligations and also leave me free to return to my abandoned home, which, during thirty years of continual strife for the good of this country, I have so much, has been my one aspiration. Foreigner as I am, I did not come to serve this country by the sword, but to help it to attain its freedom. I have sheathed my sword, thinking I had finished the mission I had undertaken to impose upon myself, and satisfied at having done all I could for the benefit of my country, I have asked them to let me go. Wherever I go, there can the Cubans depend upon a friend.

Governor General Brooke was notified last night of the removal of Gomez, and when seen this morning he was much interested to learn the details of the Assembly's proceedings. He could not express an opinion as to the effect of the Assembly's action upon the future relations between General Gomez and the United States, particularly in the matter of disbandment, but the impression among the American authorities seems to be that, as the Assembly has not been officially recognized by the United States Government, its actions, so far as Washington is concerned, will not amount to more than the resolutions of any other body of individuals.

The Assembly is being strongly censured by Cubans on all sides, and there were popular demonstrations this afternoon in favor of the deposed commander-in-chief. The crowd shouted "Long live Gomez" and "Death to the Assembly."

General Gomez during the day received numerous visitors, all of whom assured him of their ardent loyalty, and that the declaration by the Assembly, on whatever subject, could not represent even the army, as the elections which gave its members their present positions are really void for illegality and political jobbery. There is no doubt that a majority of the people support him as against the Assembly. The local press will probably attack the Assembly, and its dissolution as the best thing that can happen and insisting that there is no reason why the United States authorities may not continue to treat with General Gomez in the matter of the payment of the troops.

It is said on good authority that the pay rolls Gomez is preparing to hand General Brooke are most complete, full and fair, and that the army has no reason to complain. It is problematical whether the Assembly can obtain anything, there is little doubt as to the side the army will take in the event of a larger payment in the event of refusing to disband.

General Gomez enjoys the full confidence of the American military authorities and it is no secret that he will leave Cuba as present.

The question of his successor as commander in chief has not yet been considered, but General Mayia Rodriguez is the next in command.

The patriotic clubs have decided to abolish the Junta Patriotica and to establish a patriotic league in its place. General Gomez, it is said, will accept the presidency of the new organization.

**TREE OF LIBERTY IS PLANTED AT SANTIAGO**

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, March 12.—A movement is on foot here to persuade the United States Government to purchase San Juan Hill to be used as a public park. The idea is that a certain portion could be set apart to be used as an American cemetery and the site of a mortuary church. A few thousand dollars spent upon the rest would make a beautiful recreation ground, including a half-mile racetrack, a baseball diamond and tennis ground. General Wood, military Governor, and other prominent Americans favor the project.

Senor Bacardi, Mayor of Santiago, to-day planted a tree of liberty in the Plaza Dolores in the presence of more than 3000 children, representing the different schools of the city, as well as a large concourse of citizens. He spoke of the glorious deeds of Cuban patriots during the last thirty years and of their uphill struggle in the face of immense odds. He paid a warm tribute to the good work done by General Wood, and glowingly prophesied regarding what will be done "when the Cubans manage their own country without assistance."

**RIVERA GOES TO CONFER WITH GOMEZ**

PONCE, Porto Rico, March 12.—Senior Munoz Rivera, former Secretary of State in the insular Cabinet, left for

Havana yesterday by the steamer San Ignacio, en route for the United States. Before his departure he had a conference with the colonial commission now inquiring into questions relating to the civil government of Porto Rico, to which much importance is attached. The commissioners declined to make public the nature of the conference, on the ground that it must be kept private for the present.

Before leaving Havana for the United States Senator Munoz Rivera will confer with General Maximo Gomez. He was the recipient of more than a hundred telegrams and letters wishing him success.

# ALUMINUM POWER LINE IS COMPLETED

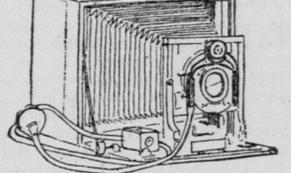
## The Blue Lakes Plant Is Now Ready to Supply Stockton With Electricity.

STOCKTON, March 12.—The pole line of the Blue Lakes Power Plant is now completed from Stockton to Mokelumne Hill and has been given final inspection by the best experts the company could engage. It is expected that power equal to 500 horsepower will be delivered here over four wires within forty-five days. The survey for the line to Oakland is going forward rapidly. Great interest exists in how the aluminum wires will work under heavy voltage. It is entirely successful, as the owners have every reason to expect, the remainder of the great system will be completed in the same manner. If not the company will have to fall back on copper wire. The pole line is said to be the finest ever erected in the West.

# Encounters a Typhoon.

TACOMA, March 12.—The steamer Victoria, arriving to-day from China and Japan, encountered a terrific typhoon of four days' duration off the coast of Japan. She outdred the storm safely, and has no word of other vessel being damaged by it. The steamer brought 200 passengers, mostly Chinese and Japanese, and 1900 tons of freight across the Pacific. The Asiatics were for Victoria and this port. Included in the cargo are 500 bales of silks, valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars. They go east by the overland express to-night.

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