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BUSINESS STAGNANT

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE STATE OF TRADE.

HOLIDAY TRADE UNSATISFACTORY.

Continued Closing Down of Import Industrial Establishments—Three Million Out of Work—Business Falls—Larger Than Last Week—Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Bradstreet's says: "The features of the business week are the increased uniformity in reports that general trade is quite as much or more depressed than previously; that holiday trading has been unsatisfactory and far below that of a year ago, and continued closing down of important industrial establishments, reduction of wages and increased instances where short time is being enforced. Nearly all staple markets are quiet almost to stagnation, the exception being heavy cotton, the price of which was stimulated late in the week by revival of confidence in low crop reports. Wheat, too, was higher for a time, but reacted. On the other hand, pig iron never was lower than at present. Commercial travelers are on the road to a very limited extent, as is usual at this season, and stock-taking is beginning at many points, which tends to emphasize the lack of business activity. With the exception of Augusta, Ga., and possibly one other point, absolutely no claim to even a slight improvement in any line of business is made at any point this week. Exports of wheat from both coasts of the United States are not as large as last week, amounting to 2,695,000 bushels, about 60 per cent of the total a year ago and three-quarters of the aggregate so shipped in the week two years ago.

"Special telegrams from 119 important cities indicate the total number of employes in industrial and other lines out of work at this time from all causes, together with the total number of people directly dependent for support upon those so rendered idle, is nearly 3,000,000. "Business failures in the United States number 353 this week, against 337 last week, 203 a year ago, 313 two years ago and 370 three years ago. "Transactions in lumber, leather, wool, dry goods, and in fact almost all staple lines, are for actual wants only, and the outlook is not for a material revival during the next sixty days. "There is an improvement in Christmas trade among retailers at a few Western cities.

Bank Clearings. NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's, gives the clearing house returns for the week ending December 23, 1893, and the percentage of increase or decrease, as compared with the corresponding week of 1892:

Cities	Clearings	Inc.	Dec.
Kansas City	\$4,056,467	23.7	23.9
Omaha	1,877,197	10.0	10.0
Denver	2,304,693	56.3	56.3
St. Joseph	2,020,302	7.5	7.5
Edwards	243,881	34.9	34.9
Wichita	447,308	1.3	1.3
Florida	500,415	9.9	9.9

FLORIDA'S GOVERNOR SAYS NO

Will Do His Utmost to Prevent the Corbett-Mitchell Fight.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 23.—The Duval Athletic club received a setback yesterday in its efforts to pull off the Corbett-Mitchell fight. The attorney for the club appeared before Governor Mitchell at Tallahassee and made application for a charter. This the governor flatly refused, stating that under cover of the charter the club proposed to violate the laws of Florida. Of course this proved a surprise to the sports, and their consternation was further increased by the knowledge that a strong letter against the fight has been written by the governor to J. E. Tyson, a prominent gentleman of this city. The managers of the fight say the affair will come off despite the governor's opposition.

He Voted for Madison.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Dec. 23.—John Dawson died at noon yesterday, aged 104 years, 4 months and 8 days. He was born in Stafford county, Va., near the birthplace of Washington. He had fifteen children, thirty grandchildren, sixty-four great-grandchildren and ten great-great-grandchildren. He attended the funeral of Washington and cast his first vote for Madison and served in the war of 1812.

Suit for Heavy Damages.

SAVANNA, I. T., Dec. 23.—Perry Bros., of Coal Gate, have brought suit in the United States court at South McAlester against the Southwestern Coal and Improvement company, of Coal Gate, I. T., for \$110,000, alleging for failure of store privileges and contract to sell miners in the employ of said company their supplies.

Right of Way Through Oklahoma.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The president has signed the bills granting the right of way for construction of a railroad through the Hot Springs reservation, Arkansas, also the bill granting the right of way to the Kansas, Oklahoma and Western railway company through the Indian and Oklahoma territories.

Whipping Tramps Out of Town.

ANDERSON, Ind., Dec. 23.—Owing to the number of tramps Mayor McHune has issued an order instructing the chief of police to furnish each night patrolmen with a blacksnake whip. Every tramp will be whipped out of the city and given a severe lashing if he returns.

Holiday Excursions.

The Santa Fe route will sell round trip tickets Dec. 23d, 24th, 25th, 30th, 31st, 1893, and Jan. 1st, 1894, good for return on Jan. 3d, within a distance of 200 miles, at the rate of one and one-third fare for round trip.

L. R. DELANEY, Agent.

Answers to Correspondents.

J. H. S., Trenton, Mo.—In the reports mentioned, the Schnell-Robertson-Foster townsite board was meant.

FOR SALE—A lady's pony. Call at 415 North First street. 2627f

THE TARIFF MEASURE.

An Evident Purpose to Hurry the Bill Through Congress. WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—"It will mean a death sentence if any person talks tariff until January 1," said Representative Beckenridge of the ways and means committee. The committee has adjourned for a week and there will be nothing to say and nothing will be done during that time. Chairman Wilson has gone away for a few days and will probably escape any tariff suggestions. He has taken occasion to keep his retreat from the knowledge of a large number of people. While there will be no meeting of the committee, the sub-committee on internal revenue will probably continue at work and will have a bill ready to submit when the committee meets again. There is an evident purpose to hurry the tariff bill through when the house reassembles. It is probable that the session will begin at 11 o'clock in the morning and last night until 6 at night during the consideration of the bill. Many people are urging that the bill be passed at an early date so that business affairs may be adjusted to the new conditions. Several Democratic members of the house, who signed the call for a caucus on the tariff bill, do not believe it will now be held.

AN OFFICER SHOT.

In Attempting to Make an Arrest an Officer is Wounded.

EL DORADO, Kan., Dec. 23.—J. E. Cory, city marshal, attempted to arrest Ben Verbyrek for disorderly conduct in this city about 7 o'clock last evening and the affair led to a shooting, which caused the whole city to become excited. The facts, as near as can be learned, are these: Verbyrek resisted arrest and ran into a restaurant near by. He was followed by Officer Cory and a light colored, Dave Whitehead, night watchman, went to Cory's assistance, when Verbyrek ran out at the back door and was followed by the officer. As Whitehead stepped out a bystander whom Whitehead claims to be Bart Edwards, fired two shots at him, the latter inflicting a serious wound in the neck. Whitehead was taken to the nearest hotel and now lies in a serious condition.

RELATIONS WITH HAWAII.

Senate Committee on Foreign Relations Will Make Investigation.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—The senate committee on foreign relations will immediately begin the work of investigating the irregularity of the diplomatic relations between this country and Hawaii, as authorized by the resolution of Senator Morgan, chairman of that committee. The resolution, as it was passed, authorizes the committee to send for persons and papers, and it is the purpose to investigate the subject as fully as possible under the scope of the resolution and as the regular duties of the committee will permit. There are several residents in Hawaii now in the city, and it is the purpose of the committee to secure their testimony as soon as possible and before they leave here. Consequently the committee will sit during the holidays, probably beginning next Tuesday or Wednesday.

Many Coal Barges Sunk.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Between 7,000,000 and 8,000,000 bushels of coal are now anchored along the wharf on the river front, waiting for more water to get away on. The coal City sank four barges at Caseyville, Ky. The Diamond sank four boats at a point down the river between Cairo and Memphis. Eight barges of the same fleet which was towed by the Diamond were stranded at this point. The Beaver lost three boats at the same place. The Jim Wood struck a pier at the Louisville and Jeffersonville bridge last night and sunk a barge. The total loss on all will be about \$30,000.

Terribly Injured by a Blast.

SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 23.—A frightful accident happened at the Georgetown quarry yesterday morning. August Berge, a Swede, aged 32 years, fired two charges of giant powder at the same instant, and it was supposed that both had exploded. Just as Berge stepped over the mine a second explosion followed and he was blown into the air. His body was riddled with rock, his right eye was cut out, the upper part of his face stripped of flesh, the skull fractured and an arm and leg broken. Berge remains alive in an unconscious condition, but cannot survive his injuries.

Todd Placed Under Arrest.

EL DORADO, Kan., Dec. 23.—Commissioner J. F. Todd arrived in this city yesterday morning from Kansas City with a black eye and several scratches on his face, and was busy all day explaining how it happened. J. S. Cooper, a constable from Florence, immediately placed Mr. Todd under arrest, charged with assault with intent to kill J. F. House of Florence.

Reward for Bohanan—'Dead or Alive.'

DENISON, Texas, Dec. 23.—Governor Wilson Jones of the Choctaw nation has offered \$500 reward for the person of David Bohanan, who killed Tom Foreman at South McAlester and Tom McCoy near Durant, a few days ago; the reward is said to read "dead or alive."

Blow Out His Brains.

MEXICO, Mo., Dec. 23.—News has reached here to the effect that Henry J. Stowe committed suicide at his home in Martinsburg, this county, by blowing his brains out. He lived alone and his body was not discovered for some time after the deed was committed.

A Crank After the Cronin Jury.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—James Bowers, who is supposed to be a crank, made a sensational attempt last night to bribe the jury which is trying Dan Coughlin for the murder of Dr. Cronin. He was locked up.

Don't Forget to go to Ed's bakery 119

Harrison avenue, for candies, fruit and nuts for us is selling cheap to meet obligation. 1616

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that Geo. L. McCune has this day filed his petition for license to retail liquors in Mitchell Logan county, Okla., at the usual location to the same as required by law be filed by the 6th day of January, A. D. 1894, and petition will be granted. Guthrie, O. T., December 23, 1893. JOHN H. HAYBARGER, County Clerk.

By F. J. DOLCATER, Deputy.

AN OLD RELIC.

OLD CAVALRY SABER OWNED BY CHIEF BOWLES.

PRESENTED TO THE CHEROKEE NATION.

It Has an Interesting History—Something About the Noted Chiefs of the Cherokee Tribe of Indians—Story Not Recorded in History.

Some time ago Judge W. H. Barker received a sword, rather a cavalry saber, from Clinton Lodge, A. E. & A. M., Henderson, Texas, with the request that he present the same to the Cherokee nation through its council, recently in session. It has an interesting history by reason of which the Cherokee should and will preserve it as a treasure. It was owned by Chief Bowles, a noted Cherokee, who settled in Texas in an early day. After Texas had gained her independence from Mexico, an effort was made by the Mexican military chiefs to form an alliance with the different Indian chiefs then living in Texas, and whose rights to the lands they occupied had been secured under them for the purpose of again moving and operating against their enemies the Texans. To this end dispatches were forwarded to Chief Bowles and other noted chiefs, but which were never delivered, having fallen into the hands of the Texas authorities. In order to thwart and check any movement of the Mexicans, the Texas authorities sent a troop of soldiers to a certain point on or near the border, under the command of Captain Smith. Chief Bowles became indignant because the dispatch to him had been intercepted, and, getting a few followers about him, offered battle to the Texas soldiers, in which he was slain by Captain Smith, his sword falling into the hands of the gallant Texan.

IN THEIR STOCKINGS.

What a Few of the Boys About Town Will Look For To-Morrow Morning. Chief Taylor—A section of hose. Hank Eads—A fire alarm. Edgar Jones—Statutes of Hawaii. Harper Cunningham—A big retriever. Commissioner Thomas—A batch of Indians. Harry Pentecost—A full house. Jerry Corbett—A hot tomale. Winfield Smith—A fire escape. Attorney Speed—A letter of dismissal. Charlie Adams—"Little more of the same, please." Marshal Nix—A parlor match. Deputy U. S. Marshal Severns—A bunch of juicy fees. Judge Goodrich—Christmas drinks. City Clerk Nevias—A new plan for a council chamber. John Golobie—A night owl. Lou Pitts—A whistle that plays "After the Ball." Agent Delaney—A train of cars. Operator Spencer—Stuff on tick. Andy Frink—A copy of a new version of "Hell is paved with good intentions." Leon Pitts—Lemonade (?) Acting City Attorney Baker—A deed to Capitol Hill. Charlie Smith—A brick hotel. Ed Kinsan—A ball program. Fred Elkins—A day in Chicago. James Pentecost—An excelsior for a mask for the Germania masque ball. Major Crozier—A new varnished cane. Musician Cornell—An engagement to play—and then don't play. George Price—More business. Postmaster Merten—Halt on Xmas presents. Judge Lawrence—More marriages.

A DELICIOUS PRESENT.

The Leader sanctified by a splendid gift. THE LEADER stocking is up and a sumptuous Christmas present has already found its way therein. Yesterday a basket exquisitely decorated and containing fruit, cake, and other delicacies, temptingly arranged, was sent to THE LEADER with "the compliments of the Novelty store." Such little acts of goodness are placed on the golden tablet in this office; they are never forgotten. A newspaper very often loses good qualities, but gratitude never. Many thanks to Mrs. Ramey and her assistants at the Novelty store and a merry Xmas to them.

Real Estate Transfers.

Z. M. Gates to R. W. Babcock, lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, West Guthrie, block 57, \$ 250
A. E. Jarred to M. Yates, lots 21, 22, 23, 24, block 62, 200
E. Ringstein to Joe Ringstein, lots 11, 12, block 21, East Guthrie, 1
M. W. Rice to R. E. Stafford, 30 of S. E. q. lot 3, section 32, Twp. 30, R. 4 west, 500

No Paper Tuesday.

THE LEADER employees desire to celebrate Christmas like the rest of mankind. In order to give them a chance

BRIGHTEST OF ALL

Glorious Christmas Times and the Good that Will Result.

Dear Leader.

The bright days of summer are gone; the breeze whispers softly no longer amid the hills; the flowers sleep their winter sleep, and little feet that never wearied with their tramps over field and dell or by the sunny sea may tonight be dancing with delight beside the Christmas tree.

Happy the home in which are found the little children. Fitting indeed it is that this should be their festival, since it celebrates the birth of Him who when He came to manhood loved them with a special love. We believe in making Christmas the happiest day in the year to the young folks. The time spent in determining what will please those who are to receive, and the little stratagems resorted to for the purpose of hiding out what will please or whether the thing proposed is already possessed, and then the final surprise when displayed, contribute greatly to the preservation and growth of affection.

It must be a bitter spirit indeed that can survive Christmas week. If husband and wife are not drawn together over the Christmas tree, the shout of happy children, the recollections of their own childhood, sad and hopeless must be the enhancement. "A merry Christmas" is our greeting this morning to THE LEADER and its readers, old and young, rich and poor. The old probably did not forget the young last night, and have been richly repaid for their thoughtfulness by witnessing the delight of the youngsters this morning. It is to be hoped the rich also remembered the poor with like liberality. If not it is not yet too late. There should not be one sad heart to-day that a little thoughtful kindness would make cheerful. "Tis a sad heart that never rejoices," and the day above all other days for hearts to rejoice is Christmas day. Every nation that has a history has had its songs. Every people that has taken part in the advancement of humanity has had its heroes, garlanded and praised by poet and sage. The memories of great men and great events are written upon the minds and hearts of men by the anthems and poems of the multitude. He who is the sovereign of people and nations was heralded in His advent upon earth by the melodies and harmony of angelic voices. The songs of the heavenly visitants who rejoiced with men in the coming of the foundation of Christianity have been taken up and echoed throughout the world by millions of happy mortals who have known and loved the author of "Peace on earth, good will to men." The grandest efforts of those almost divine composers have been directed toward the expression of that joy which His birth brought to the world. The swelling chorus of praise with which the light of Christmas morning is ushered in is the mighty attempt of the Christian world to lift to the great white throne an universal echo of the celestial music which floated over the plains of Palestine and awakened the very flowerets in Esdras's splendid plain so many centuries ago. Creeds and their combatants come and go like the dust and dew of summer, but the mighty grandeur of that star which heralded the advent of the Christ can never be effaced, and it beams with a greater radiance and more potent brilliancy as the years fleetly flow into eternity. Men rise and fall like the billows of the vast deep, and their praises are sung by admiring multitudes, but over, above and through all comes to the sense of humanity the unspeakably rich, soul-absorbing harmony of "Behold, I bring you glad tidings of great joy, for unto you is born a Saviour, who is Christ, the Lord."

As the pendulum of time beats the cycle of existence, so with the recurrence of each Christmas tide beats the heart of the civilized world in unison with the great heart of Him who said: "This is My beloved Son; hear ye Him." Therefore it is proper that in every Christian country this day should be one of general joy and one on which to preach sermons of peace and good will.

To the good this day is fraught with sacred reminiscences and worthy inspirations. To the evil disposed it looms up as a reminder of the innocence and piety which once reigned in the heart and insists that the wanderer retrace, in memory at least, the steps which have led him away from this hallowed youth. It should be a great day, made up of multifarious and diverse experiences. It should contain the feasting, merry making and the gift receiving, but it should also contain the solitude, the quiet meditation and self scrutiny, the joy giving and the planning of the future. The two elements should be combined—one without the other will be narrow, dwarfed, unsatisfactory experience. But, though some of us may be sad and lonely, let us teach our children in their joy to remember those who are less blessed than they, and let those who miss the merry voices of other days carry light into some other home, perhaps in deeper shadow than their own. There are many who know what it is to pass the first Christmas after a sore bereavement and what it is to spend the day watching by the sick, and we cannot forget in how many homes perhaps where THE LEADER comes, there will be one less reader the coming year than on last Christmas. But to one and all, be cheerful, then, even if subdued as we gather around the Christmas board. Merry Christmas to all.

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