

WISE VON CAPRIVI

Now Finds His Policy Vindicated.

HIS TREATY WITH RUSSIA.

Agrarian Opposition on the Verge of Collapse.

THERE IS A HARD FIGHT AHEAD

But Even Bismarck's Personal Organ Will Not at Present Oppose the Chancellor.

BERLIN, Feb. 10.—The threatened agrarian opposition to the Russo-German commercial treaty is rapidly collapsing. The Emperor's speech at the recent Parliamentary banquet and the fears of a dissolution, which would probably result in the virtual annihilation of the Conservative party, were not alone in serving to destroy the artificial agrarian agitation, which was really aimed at the despotism of Chancellor von Caprivi. As time elapsed it was found opportune to get Prince Bismarck's views on the subject, and the Hamburger Nachrichten accordingly exhibits a sudden change of view, and, probably in anticipation of the Emperor's approaching visit to Friedrichsruhe, takes a more conciliatory tone, drawing a cautious distinction between attacks on the Chancellor and attacks on the Government, and declaring the Russian treaty necessary in consequence of the treaties with Austria and Italy.

Count von Eulenburg, Prussian Premier, has also been using his influence on behalf of the treaty with leading Conservatives, and has already met with much success. The Imperialists were won over by their organ, the Post, warmly advocating acceptance of the treaty. The meeting of the Berlin Merchants' Association last night was well attended, and adherents of the treaty were in an immense majority.

The Agrarian League has convened a meeting for February 17 in one of the largest halls in Berlin, capable of accommodating 5000 independents. Reporters will be excluded from the meeting. In addition, a counter movement to the merchants' demonstration has been fixed for February 19, and in the meanwhile meetings will be held throughout the country for and against the treaty. Not only all the Chambers of Commerce will hold meetings in its support.

The first indication of the strength of the respective sides will be shown in Parliament in a vote on the precedence motion submitted by the Agrarian League and demanding a sliding scale and additional duties against countries with depreciated currency. This would chiefly affect Austria and Russia. Von Caprivi's standing has wonderfully changed. Even those who did not admire him now judge him as a wise statesman who, in the matter of treaties, went cautiously, retaining the duty on grain as a means to force Russia into the treaty. Now that the work is finished and Russia's concessions greatly exceed expectations, the treaty policy, as a whole, appears to have been carried out with foresight and skill.

The text of the Russo-German commercial treaty was published this afternoon. There are twenty-one clauses. It is drawn up in French, and provides for the most favored nation treatment and protects the subjects of either contracting party, engaged in commerce or trade, against the confiscations of their property by judicial or administrative authorities of the other. Mutual intercourse is not hampered by any prohibitions against the import or export of merchandise, except in the case of a state trading in monopolies or in the case of sanitary measures. The vessels of both powers, with certain restrictions, will receive equal treatment. The treaty is to last ten years, after which it is possible to terminate it after one year's notice on either side.

The actress Marie Zebach, divorced wife of the famous tenor Niemann, who has resided in Dresden since her tour of America in 1871, has been run over by a coal wagon, breaking both legs and sustaining dangerous internal injuries.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The Herald's Berlin special says: The first enthusiasm over the Russian commercial treaty is cooling considerably now that its exact terms are known. Bavaria will exact the abolition of the Prussian sliding scale in return for her consent to the treaty.

SENT TO MAZAS.

Bank Officials in France Imprisoned for Crooked Work.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—On the demand of the Bank of France the Banque d'Escompte has been placed in the hands of a liquidator, as already cabled. Baron Soudeyrin, director of the bank, was arrested for irregularities in the management, and the directors resigned on the Bank of France demanding a judicial liquidation.

M. de Cler, director of the Society Immobiliere, has also been arrested on a charge of maladministration in connection with the Banque d'Escompte. After being examined before a magistrate Baron Soudeyrin and de Cler were committed to Mazas Prison.

FIRE ON A HACIENDA.

Buildings, Store Houses and Five Laborers Burned in Mexico.

SANTILLO, Mex., Feb. 10.—A building on the hacienda of San Francisco Marten, southwest of here, was visited by fire last night. The flames started in a hut occupied by the laborers and spread so quickly that five men were burned to death. All the store houses and several residences on the hacienda were burned, together with the contents. The loss was about \$50,000.

SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Swedish Royalty Present to Give the Sport Countenance.

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 10.—The annual skating championships were decided at Saltjobaden today. The Crown Prince and Princess Eugenie were present. The matches resulted as follows: Five hundred meters, Fredericksen and Eden finished together for first place. Time, 1:20 2-5. Ten thousand meters, Koenen first. Time, 19:12 2-5.

REPRESSING ANARCHY.

The Editors and the Printer of a Berlin Journal Under Arrest.

BERLIN, Feb. 10.—Fildt and Brandt, respectively editor and sub-editor of an anarchist publication, the Socialist, and Werner, the printer of the paper, have each been sentenced to six months in prison for publishing articles inciting to outrages. The latest number of the

Socialist has been seized for commenting upon the case of the anarchist lawyer, Molinari, who, on a charge of associating with criminals and inciting to civil war, was recently sentenced to three years' imprisonment and his property declared forfeited.

The Socialist commented upon the execution of Valliant and this was also one of the causes of the seizure.

VASQUEZ' LITTLE SORTIES.

He Says He is Able to Hold Out Indefinitely.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The World's special from San Salvador says: A message from Tegucigalpa says that Vasquez' army made a brilliant sortie against the besiegers, during which over a hundred of the enemy were killed. Vasquez drove Bonilla and Gutierrez back to the south, and is engaged in repelling the repeated assaults by Ortiz on the north. Three cannons were captured by Bonilla. At the time the message was sent Ortiz was preparing to attack in force. Vasquez said he could hold out indefinitely.

MANAGUA, Feb. 10.—General Ortiz telegraphs that he has cut off a band of Indians who were on the way to John Vasquez. A telegram received here at noon says there was a terrible battle to-day, which ended in Vasquez being repulsed. The losses on both sides were heavy. General Ortiz said he would be in Tegucigalpa within a few hours.

SWEPT BY A CYCLONE.

Great Damage Done at a Town in Madagascar.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—The Government has received dispatches saying that a cyclone swept over the town and harbor of Diego Suarez, near the north end of Madagascar, February 5, and two-thirds of the houses in the town, including the church, hospital and other public buildings, were destroyed. There was no loss of life. A French transport is ashore there.

SUNK A STRANGE VESSEL.

One Steamer Collides With Another in Chinese Waters.

HONG-KONG, Feb. 10.—The steamer Hanchow, from Samarang for Sourabaya, collided with an unknown vessel, which immediately disappeared, and, it is supposed, sank with all on board. The British steamer Asah sailed from Hong-Kong December 31, and may be the missing vessel. She was registered at 1200 tons.

SWEPT BY THE FIRE.

An Ohio Town Almost Completely Wiped Out.

WAPAKONETA, Ohio, Feb. 11.—Wapakoneta is experiencing the most serious fire in her history. The business block in the city has been burned and other blocks are on fire. The people for six squares around are on the tops of their houses pouring water on the sparks. The fire originated in the notion-store and a lot of farm shanties to the rear caught and rapidly spread the flames along the rear ends of the buildings.

One Hundred Families Homeless, and Thousands of Dollars' Worth of Property Destroyed.

The firemen could not reach the blaze from the rear on account of the proximity of the river, which is very high from recent rains, and the fire became complete master of the situation, owing to the firemen being unable to fight it. Besides, the Fire Department is very poorly equipped, having nothing but a small steamer and a hand engine.

Clothing-stores, cigar-shops, notion-stores, dry-goods stores and drug-stores were all burning at the same time and the heavens were ablaze. The light could be seen fifteen miles around in the country. The mechanical block, the finest in the city, is completely destroyed, and its walls have fallen in.

The Lima fire department was sent for, but were too long in getting here. The Masonic Temple, Royal Arcanum and Knights of Honor halls are among the ruined buildings, and the National Bank is burning now. The fire is not yet under control.

At 2:30 A. M., the Annapolis, a wholesale and retail whisky-store, caught, and explosion after explosion followed, as the whisky barrels were ignited.

Kaubs' dry-goods store is in ruins; the Fisher clothing-store has been totally destroyed, and the Buckeye Cigar Company and a number of other stores are burning and cannot be saved.

It is impossible to place any accurate estimate on the loss, or predict the extent of the fire. The loss will exceed \$250,000, and 100 families at least will be rendered homeless, and may be double that number.

JEWELS RECOVERED.

A Diamond Thief Who Sent His Plunder to His Sister.

SMITH, Ark., Feb. 10.—Six of the 361 diamonds stolen at Honolulu have been recovered in this city by Chief of Police Surran, who got them from Mrs. Mattie McGinnis, a sister of Preston Horner, alias George Ryan, the man convicted of stealing them. He sent the jewels here last September, but refused to tell to whom, until today it was discovered that Mattie McGinnis was his sister. This clew was worked up and the jewels recovered. They were sent to Honolulu.

THEY SCOUT SUICIDE.

Cashier Love Has Made His Way to Foreign Parts.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Feb. 10.—No clew has as yet been obtained to the whereabouts of John W. Love, the missing cashier of Watkins' Bank. The suicide theory is scouted, and it is believed that he took the train at Corning for New York and is now bound for foreign parts. Pending the arrival of the examiner, the bank officials will make no statement, but it is now thought that the shortage will reach at least \$110,000.

DOG AND WILDCAT.

Brutes That Knew No Better Give Diversion to Human Brutes.

HENTINGTON, Va., Feb. 10.—A dog and wildcat fight occurred here to-day for a purse of \$100 and the gate receipts, amounting to over \$200. The animals fought at the Driving Park. The fight was vicious, but only lasted five minutes, the dog getting the cat in a fated position and killing it. The dog belonged to T. L. Montgomery of Coal Valley, W. Va.

EASY ON WHISKY.

Voorhees Inclined to Be Lenient.

GREAT PRESSURE APPLIED

With the Result of Extending the Bonding Period.

THIS BILL WILL RAISE REVENUE

And Louisiana Will Win Her Fight by Having a Duty Put Upon Sugar.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Developments of to-day's work in the Senate Finance Sub-Committee indicate that the income tax bill will carry, the whisky bonded period will be extended two years longer and the free list much curtailed. The committee has had in view the preparation of a bill which will meet revenue requirements and prevent another resort to a bond issue.

Pursuant to this purpose there is little doubt that the committee has concluded to retain the income tax and place a duty on sugar. The Louisiana Senators, in fact, are so urgent in their demands that the committee will find it difficult to report favoring a duty on sugar. The committee is considering the probability of some changes to be insisted upon before the House will agree to the Senate bill, and is shaping the bill accordingly. The whisky men are also working hard for an extension of the bonded period, and are likely to succeed. The chances are that the tax will remain at the figures in the present bill, or, at most, will not be put above \$10.

Senators Blackburn and Lindsay of Kentucky were before the Senate Finance Committee to-day in the interest of the whisky-distillers of Kentucky. Their time was devoted almost exclusively to the advocacy of the extension of the bonded period, which distillers say in the present depressed condition of business is absolutely necessary to them. They represent that there are now 85,000,000 gallons of whisky in bonded warehouses which must be taken out under the Wilson bill within the next three years, and much of it within the next year or two. This, even without the increase of the tax, would be a hardship, and with the increase the burden will be that much heavier.

Voorhees, chairman of the Finance Committee, accompanied the Kentucky Senators on their visit to the sub-committee, and the fact is considered as favorable to the extension of the bonded period. He had previously been in conference with some representatives of the distilling interest. McPherson was also closeted with the sub-committee for a considerable time during the day.

WILSON MUCH WORSE.

Still His Illness is Not Expected to Result Fatally.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 10.—Congressman Wilson of West Virginia, accompanied by his wife and daughter, and Congressman John C. Tarsney of Kansas City, arrived here to-day on the Santa Fe on the way to Mexico. A reception committee met the party at the depot and escorted them to the Coates House, where Wilson later in the day met a large number of prominent local politicians. After the reception Wilson retired to his room and went to bed, suffering from a high fever. Dr. J. S. Griffith was called in and he found that the Congressman's ailment had been aggravated somewhat by his trip from Chicago. Arrangements had been made for a man-of-war, where Wilson was to speak, but he could not be present. Congressman Tarsney and others addressed the meeting. To-night Wilson was confined to his bed with a high fever, but Dr. Griffith says he does not expect the illness will take a serious turn. Wilson expects to leave for Mexico on Monday morning. The banquet, which had been a part of the programme arranged for the reception to-night, was abandoned.

Late to-night Dr. Griffith said that Wilson was suffering from nervous prostration as well as tonsillitis. Wilson must have absolute quiet and rest for several days and will be unable to leave for Mexico for a week. The doctor said Wilson was resting quietly at midnight, but he was a very sick man.

ITS JACKET ON.

One of the Big Thirteen-Inch Guns Put in a Hot Case

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—A difficult and delicate piece of work was performed at the gunshop of the navy-yard to-day. It consisted in fitting a jacket to the tube of one of the new 13-inch guns for the navy. The operation was entirely successful. Shortly after 2 o'clock the jacket, weighing 37,385 pounds, was lifted by the 110-ton crane from the pit in which it had been heating for the past two days, and with but little delay was shifted to a position directly over the tube. It was then let down over it very slowly, while the workmen stood by and turned the jacket from side to side to prevent sticking. Everything went off without a hitch.

Eleven of the twelve 13-inch guns to be made have now been jacketed and are gradually nearing completion. They are for the ships Indiana, Massachusetts and Oregon. A large number of officials witnessed to-day's work, including members of Congress, officers of the navy and a detachment of naval cadets from Annapolis. The hydraulic mount for the 13-inch gun was also given a trial at the gunshop to-day and apparently worked satisfactorily. An early trial of the guns with the hydraulic mount will be had at Indian Head proving grounds.

EULOGIES POSTPONED.

Californians to Be Among Those to Deliver Addresses.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—To-day was set aside by a special order in the House for eulogies on the late Representative O'Neill of Pennsylvania and the late Senator Stanford of California, but on account of the death of Representative Hook of Ohio that order was vacated till Monday afternoon and the House adjourned out of respect to Hook's memory. Among those listed for addresses are Representatives Tracy of New York, Sibey of Pennsylvania and Loud and Hilborn of California.

CHANGING HER ARMAMENT.

The Nipsic Will Go to Bering Sea Prepared for Poaching Sealers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The United States steamship Nipsic, undergoing repair at Mare Island Navy-yard, is to have her batteries changed for service in the Bering Sea patrol. Her present armament consists of one 11-inch smooth-bore gun, one 3-inch breech-loading rifle and one 12-pound howitzer. When next ready for

sea her battery will consist of two 9-inch guns of the smooth-bore pattern, one 60-pound breech-loading rifle, two 6-pounders, two Gatling's and three 37-centimeter weapons.

ANNIE PIXLEY'S PROPERTY.

Fulford Must Tell How It Came Into His Possession.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Legal steps have been begun to compel Robert Fulford, husband of the late Annie Pixley, to tell what has become of her property and how he became possessed of property always supposed to belong to her. Colonel W. J. Haire, counsel for Miss Pixley's mother and other relatives, has made in Philadelphia an investigation which develops the fact that no property or mortgages are registered there in the name of Annie Fulford, but that sixteen mortgages, aggregating \$88,000, are recorded in the name of Robert Fulford. Among these was a mortgage on the Park Theater for \$65,000, which friends always thought was held by Miss Pixley, but which was found recorded in the name of R. bert Fulford. Colonel Haire has filed a bill of discovery in the courts and has begun legal proceedings to prevent the payment to Fulford of interest on certain of the Philadelphia mortgages.

MONEY PUT UP.

Plenty of Places for Corbett and Jackson to Fight.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—James Mitnell, president of the Osage (Mich.) Sportsman Association, has sent the following dispatch to the Associated Press: At a meeting of the Sportsman Association held to-day it was decided to offer \$60,000 for the Corbett-Jackson fight, to take place on Government Island, in Kalamazoo River, one mile from the railroad. The money has been subscribed by prominent business men of this place, who go into the scheme as a speculation.

GIRLS IN THE PLOT.

Daring Plan to Blow Up an Illinois Jail.

DYNAMIC CARTRIDGES READY FOR USE IN LIBERATING A NOTORIOUS CRIMINAL. LINCOLN, Ill., Feb. 10.—Late this evening great excitement was caused by the news of an unsuccessful plot to blow up the jail of Logan County, located here, for the purpose of liberating a notorious local criminal under sentence of six years at Joliet Prison. The parties implicated in the plot are Arthur Goodpasture, Ida Shells and Georgia Williams.

Late last night three sticks of dynamite with fuses and caps were purchased with the intention of being passed into the jail by the Shells woman to Goodpasture, who repeatedly declared he would die before he went to the penitentiary.

OWNS THE BRANCH.

There Will Be Further Segregation of Union Pacific Feeders.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—Oliver W. Mink, one of the receivers of the Union Pacific Railway, when shown a dispatch from Omaha to the effect that the Kansas Central Railway would be disconnected with the Union Pacific system, said the report was totally untrue. "The road in question," Mink said, "is but 165 miles in length, and all the bonds, excepting \$1000, are owned by the Union Pacific, which also owns all the stock, excepting about \$34,000. The report of hostile disintegration concerning this particular branch is all nonsense. The road is not a valuable adjunct to the Union Pacific and has not for years paid operating expenses. We hope we can get it out of ourselves without having some one else try to dispose of it for us."

WINNING THE WAGER.

Correspondent Werner on His Way Around the World.

WINNEBUCA, Feb. 10.—The noted traveling correspondent, John F. Werner from Chicago, who is now making a tour around the world, passed through here to-day on his way to San Francisco. In many ways Werner is a remarkable man. He is a Swede by birth and highly educated, speaking English, German and French besides his native tongue. Werner started from Chicago on January 23 to make a trip around the world in six months.

SOLD LOTTERY TICKETS.

Arrest of Attaches of an "Investment" Company.

CHICAGO, Feb. 10.—Charles and Ellen Smith and Richard Johnson, connected with the local office of the Montana Mining and Loan Investment Company, were arrested and charged with selling lottery tickets. The concern is a large one, with headquarters at Butte City, Mont., and branch offices in all the leading cities of the country, and hundreds of agents are employed in selling certificates. The scheme of the company is unique. The prizes, or lucky numbers, are in loan, not gifts. A certificate sells for \$1, each numbered. On the 20th of each month the drawing is conducted at Butte City. The prizes range from a \$6000 to \$10,000 loan and no security is asked when the loan is made. The borrower is given nineteen years and five months to pay. It is represented by the agents that in case a person buys a certificate each month for ten years and obtains no prize investment he will be fully refunded in Montana mining stocks. Thousands of tickets were sold each month.

BISHOP BONACUM CLEARED.

He Had a Perfect Right to Suspend Father Corbett.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 10.—The case of Father Corbett against Bishop Bonacum on a charge of criminal libel was dismissed by Judge Spencer this afternoon. The court held that the Bishop, in suspending Corbett, had acted in accordance with the right vested in him by church law, and the evidence did not show that the Bishop sent the letter complained of with malicious intent.

Killed His Ex-Wife and Himself.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 10.—This morning Charles Febrman, a dock laborer, shot and killed his divorced wife in a house of ill repute and then cut his own throat from ear to ear. They were married at Kansas City or Sioux City five years ago, but had been separated for two years.

Mrs. Carr Goes Free.

DENVER, Feb. 10.—As a result of the Coroner's inquest, the District Attorney has ordered the release of Mrs. Carr, who has been held since last Tuesday on suspicion of being implicated in the murder of her husband last Sunday night.

Injured by a Broken Wheel.

RUTHERFORD, Feb. 10.—By the bursting of a coronium wheel in the Rutberford Agricultural Works yesterday morning the proprietor, Henry Hortop, was severely injured in the face and on the left arm by the flying fragments.

HARD TO DEFINE.

Congress Called Upon to Interfere.

RULINGS NOT RELISHED.

Still the Courts Form a Part of the Government.

FIXING LIMITS OF AUTHORITY.

Why the Judiciary Committee Hesitates to Take the Federal Judges to Task.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—There is a movement in the House to urge upon the Judiciary Committee an investigation into the management of railroads under receivers appointed by Federal courts. So many complications have arisen lately, as the system of receivership control has spread, that the matter has been brought before the committee in several phases. Recently Governor Tillman of South Carolina memorialized Congress on the subject, stating that troubles with the railroads which run through his State were growing out of the refusal of receivers to pay State taxes, and there was an absence of legal machinery through which he could force them to pay. They nominally were agents of the Federal courts which appointed them, and only through those courts could he be brought an action, and there it would be considered favorable to the roads.

This week the Judiciary Committee has taken the McGinnis resolution for investigation of the action of Judge Jenkins, joining the employees of the Northern Pacific for striking. This resolution is the result of a shower of protests and petitions sent to the Committee on Labor Organizations. There is no doubt the recent order of Judge Dundy against the men of the Union Pacific, coupled with his order for salaries of \$18,000 to be paid the five receivers of the road, will be called to the attention of Congress from the same sources.

The influence which tends to restrain the Judiciary Committee from reviewing the action of the courts unnecessarily is that the Judiciary is a co-ordinate branch of the Government, and its members hesitate to take any action which might look like interference by one branch of the Government with the executions of another.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 10.—The Northern Pacific receivers and the representatives of the employes have reached an agreement. The men wanted the schedule of wages raised, but the receivers refused this. The demand of the trainmen to be paid for overtime caused by wrecks was conceded. It was agreed that the standard run should be 100 miles and the time allowed to make it ten hours. Shorter runs should be paid in proportion to the number of miles. The telegraphers' demand that a minimum salary of \$50 per month be fixed was denied. The receivers are making contracts to operate twenty-three branch lines of road.

MR. JIM KEENE'S CLUB

Many Men Elected Who Do Not Know They Are in It.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 10.—A seizure of forty-five barrels of opium was made at the Southern Pacific depot this morning by Collector of Customs H. S. Osborne, among them was about \$550. The package was shipped from Portland, Or., to Tsue Chung Yuen & Co., of this city. The boxes were all stam ed with swastika stamps. Tsue Chung Yuen denied all knowledge of the shipment and declared some enemy had forged the name of his firm.

THE CHIEF ORGANIZER IS CONFIDENT THAT ALL THOSE CHOSEN WILL CONSENT TO SERVE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—A meeting of the incorporators of the new jockey club was held to-day at the office of the board of control. John Hunter presided and the other gentlemen present were J. R. Keene, A. J. Cassatt, Perry Belmont, Dr. G. L. Knapp and James Galway. After the adjournment Keene said the following gentlemen had been elected members of the new club: W. C. Whitney, O. H. Payne, Perry Belmont, August Belmont, Dr. G. L. Knapp, W. P. Thompson, A. J. Cassatt, J. Galway, J. Hunter, J. R. Keene, F. K. Sturgis, J. C. Donner, J. B. Haggis, Dr. W. Seward Webb, W. H. Forbes of Boston, E. S. Knapp, Rudolph C. Philadelphia, Pierre Lovillard, J. G. K. Lawrence, A. H. Norris, P. J. Dwyer, A. F. Walcott, Edward Kelly, Prescott Lawrence, A. Clason and Captain S. S. Brown.

WILL SUE FOR A DIVORCE.

But, as Usual, Her Husband Must Foot the Bills.

SAN BERNARDINO, Feb. 10.—About ten days ago a young married woman came to this city from Mentone to institute divorce proceedings, and being in destitute circumstances and about to become a nuder, she was taken to the County Hospital on the part of her husband, who is a well-to-do rancher. It seems, however, she has done a similar act once before, putting her husband to a large expense. The county has called on her husband to foot the bills in this instance also.

SPECIAL LEGISLATION.

Redlands' Sunday-Closing Ordinance is Unconstitutional.

SAN BERNARDINO, Feb. 10.—The case of H. Wolfman for selling groceries in violation of the city Sunday ordinance came up before the Superior Court this afternoon on the appeal from the Recorder's court. Judge Otis held that the ordinance was special legislation, not of uniform application, and therefore unconstitutional and void, and the decision of the Recorder's court upholding the validity of the ordinance was reversed.

PRIED OPEN THE TILL.

Burglars Make a Raid on a Railroad Office.

SAN RAFAEL, Feb. 10.—The head office of the North Pacific Coast Railroad at Sausalito was broken into at 5 o'clock this morning by some unknown party and money to the amount of \$45 was taken. The perpetrators gained an entrance by forcing open a window. There being no safe in the building the money was left in

the till, which was pried open. Train Dispatcher William Hannon, who has charge of the office, stated that when he came to the office this morning he found everything ransacked and the till broken open. Suspicion rests on a party who has been seen around the place for several days past. Sheriff Harrison is here looking up the case.

SURPRISED THE MESSENGER.

How the Robbery on the Nevada Train Was Committed.

CARSON, Feb. 10.—As yet there is no clew to the person who robbed the express-car of the Virginia and Truckee pay-box. The express company is not responsible for the loss, as the money was merely placed there by Paymaster Mills for convenience. The end door of the express-car was only secured by a small bolt. The door was smashed in with a sledge-hammer, and as all the blows were immediately over the bolt it is evident the deed was committed by some one familiar with the position of the bolt. Messenger Page is hard of hearing, and during the rattle of the train did not hear the noise of the blows on the outside of the door. He says when the man entered and commanded him to throw up his hands he was compelled to comply as his gun was out of reach. The man demanded the tin box containing the money. When informed that it was in the other end of the car he made Page get it. Page claims his record shows that he will fight when an even chance is offered, but says when a man has the drop on him he treats him as best he knows how. Paymaster Mills refuses to divulge the amount in the box, but it is variously estimated at between \$1000 and \$7000.

CONSIGNED TO MONGOLS.

Seizure of Smuggled Opium at a Los Angeles Depot.

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Peixoto's Men Stood Their Ground Well.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11.—The Herald's special from Buenos Ayres says: A dispatch from Rio says: The insurgents landed on Friday at NictEROY and there was a drawn battle, in which many were killed on both sides. General Argollo commanded the Government troops and kept the insurgents from advancing.

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Mello Once More Sails Away to Carry On Operations Outside of the Capital.

REPORTS from Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, say that the loyal troops under General Hipolito have sustained fresh defeat. The rebel command under General Tavares is now acting together. General Isidoro is said to be dying. The approach of the rebels to Porto Alegre is confirmed. Yellow fever has appeared in Santos. It is asserted here that the Aquidaban left the harbor of Rio on Wednesday, was joined by the Republica and sailed away in a direction unknown to those on shore. The situation in Rio is reported to be very serious, and Peixoto's position becomes daily more untenable. Several changes have been made among the officers and men of the Brazilian warships here, but the reason has not been made public.

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