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RUSSIANS BUYING AMERICAN SHIPS

A $37,000,000 Deficit Stares Uncle Sam in the Face.

Big Deficit.

WASHIGGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—The prospects are that during the present week the available cash balance in the treasury will reach a lower figure than was ever before recorded in its history. It is generally expected it will fall below ninety millions during the week. The estimated excess of expenditures over receipts will show a deficiency in revenues at close of calandar year of about $37,000 000.

Russians Buying Ships.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26. The report that the Russian government has bought from the United States and Brazill the Mail Steamship Company five steamships to be used by the Amoor Steamship Company in connection with the Russian government transcontinental railroad in Siberia, is confirmed by C.P. Huntington. The price received for the five ships is $1,000,000. The fleet will leave, four for the Pacific and one for the Baltic, about March 15. W. D. Richards, the Chicago agent for Russia, is now at Tacoma selecting ports for the steamships.

GOVERNOR WAITE'S FOLLY.

Calls the Colorado Legislature on a Legal Holiday.

DENVER, Dec. 26. As Governor Waite's call for an extra session of the legislature is dated Dec. 25, a legal holiday, its validity is questioned and the courts will probably be asked to pass on it. The Republican calls Governor Waite a "fool" for calling the legislature together, and asks that body to adjourn immediately after assembling.

Another Harrison Boom.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—It has just leaked out that the friends of Ex President Harrison have perfected an organization and formally gone to work to make him the Republican standard bearer in 1896. Mayor E. G. Rathbone, of Ohio, is in charge of the movement.

Colorado Legislature Called.

DENVER, Dec. 26.—Governor Waite tonight issued his long talked of call for a special session of the legislature to meet on January 10th. The call consists of about 5000 words and mentions over thirty subjects on which legislative action should be taken in the governor's opinion.

The first "business" for the legislature suggested in the call is to provide that all silver dollars, domestic and foreign, containing not less than .351 1-4 grains fine silver, shall be legal tender for all debts collected in Colorado.

The governor also suggests the passage of an act forbidding the making of trust deeds, mortgages or obligations of any kind payable in gold; laws providing for the issuance of certificates of small denominations in payment for work on the state canals, said certificates to be receivable for water carriage and leasing or purchase of internal improvement lands and to be convertable, after three years, into $100 certificates; the repeal of all laws authorizing the issuance of certificates of small denominations in payment for work on public improvements.

OREGON PACIFIC MATTERS.

Crowds of Creditors at Corvallis—No Confirmation of Sale.

CORVALLIS, Dec. 26.—Special trains this morning brought about 400 Oregon Pacific creditors to town to witness the court proceedings relative to confirmation of the sheriff's sale of the road. They divided on the question of appointment of a successor to Receiver Hadley. The matter came up in court this afternoon. Failure of the proof of publication of notice of sale in New York papers to arrive here until yesterday renders the confirmation of sale impossible for five days should the court be so inclined.

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VERDICT OF THE JURY.

In the Chinese Conspiracy Cases—Disagree as to Lotan.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—"We, the jury, find the defendants G. O. Holman, Thomas Jordan, J. E. Marks, John Ross, Ching Chong Quisue, Chee How, Mon Oak, Tso Suet, Moy Ham Lee, Wing, Lee Moon, Ding Wing, Wing John, Twin Wo Charley and Charley, Young not guilty as charged in the indictment. We further find the defendants William Dunbar, C. J. Mulkey, and P. J. Bannon guilty as charged in the indictment; and we further find that we are unable to agree as to the guilt or innocence of the defendants James Lotan and Seid Back.

(Signed) CHAS. E. LADD, Foreman."

Such is the result of the great smuggling case that for 11 days has occupied the United States district court and attracted national attention. The charge was conspiracy to unlawfully land Chinese laborers in the United States, the jury was out 20 hours, having retired at 10:30 p. m., Friday and announced its readiness to report at 6 o'clock Saturday evening. Not until two hours later was the verdict read, however, owing to the delay in getting the defendants into court.

At 1:40 p. m., earlier in the day the jury had filed into the courtroom and through their foreman, Charles E. Ladd, reported they could not agree on a verdict. Judge Bellinger inquired if there was any likelihood of their reaching an agreement, to which Mr. Ladd replied there was not. The court said the trial of this case was a long and expensive one and the jury should try to agree. He then sent them back, telling them he would have them made as comfortable as possible until their deliberations were ended.

Attorney Joseph Simon then asked for 10 days in which to file a motion for a new trial in the case of C. J. Mulkey, and Attorney Henry E. McGinn made a similar request in behalf of Dunbar and Bannon. Both were granted by the court. No action was taken in the interest of any of the other defendants.

The indictment contained the names of 27 defendants, but only the 20 named in the verdict appeared on trial.

They stood 6 to 6 as to Lotan and Seid Back, and not till 6 o'clock did they become unanimous as to the other defendants.

The Conspirators.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26.—Nat Blum, having been released from custody on $17,000 bonds imposed by Judge Bellinger on Saturday, will after a brief stay with his family at La Grande, hie him direct to the national capital, with the avowed purpose of interceding for Jackling, Garthorne, Sweeny and Berg (and, incidentally, for himself) at the Democratic throne of political and judicial grace. That he will succeed in interviewing the president and Secretary Carlisle is not doubted here for a moment and the outcome of his nervy venture will be watched with profound interest.

Mulkey, who was convicted of conspiracy to smuggle Chinese, was also allowed to go home to spend Christmas and left for Tacoma last night. Dunbar and Bannon, the other two convicted, are in town, but have not been arrested since the trial, and are on their original bonds. Lotan and Seid Back, as to the conviction of whom the jury disagreed, are under the same bonds as before.

Jackling has gone to Seattle to spend the holidays with his friends and family who are among the most prominent and wealthy people of Washington. He is on his own recognizance altogether, not having been required to give bonds on any of the indictments against him.

A Savage Christmas.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—A horrible story of wild law and Indian superstition of the Mojave Indians, comes from Needles. A young wife gave birth to twins. According to Mojave traditions the squaw who has twins is a witch, and the penalty has always been death for the babes and the mother. The medicine men held that the custom must be observed, and the children were brained with a club, while the squaw was locked up in a "shack," which was in turn set on fire, cremating the squaw.

THE BRAZILIAN RECEPTION.

Strict Observance of the Monroe Doctrine

IS DEMANDED OF OUR COUNTRY

A Dynamite Cruiser Lying in Wait for Rebel Ships.

The New York.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The cruiser New York has been ordered to Rio Janerio to re-inforce our fleet in the Brazilian waters.

No Battle.

PERNAMBUCO, Dec. 26. The Brazilian dynamite cruiser, Nichteroy, which put to sea yesterday for the purpose, it was said, of engaging in battle with the rebel warships Republica and Aquidaban, returned here this morning, reporting that she had been unable to find the rebel ships. It is now said the Nichteroy will await the coming of the rebel ships here and will fight them in these waters.

News from Rio Janerio brings little that is fresh. Both sides claim their opponents are driven to the last extremity, and must soon give in. The government party declares that foreign governments are supporting Mello's cause, but that as soon as the United States gets a strong naval force here, that will be stopped, because she must compel a strict observance of the Monroe doctrine, that if this is done a collapse of the rebellion is only a question of a short time.

THE MARKETS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26. — Wheat, December $1.04.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26. — Cash, 60¼; May 65¾.

PORTLAND, Dec. 26. —Wheat valley $.92½; Walla Walla $.90

John Jacob Astor.

John Jacob Astor appears to have inherited the quality of thrift from his ancestors. The stories told about him in the vicinity of his office at Twenty-sixth street and Broadway are scarcely credible, in view of the enormous wealth of the present head of the Astor family in America. The general idea of a hundred millionaire is that when he gets shaved at a public barber shop he gives the barber a tip. Mr. Astor, however, is not misled by any false idea of pride. Hence, when he goes into one of the barber shops in the hotels near his office the boy is slow to assist him off with his coat, and the barbers glance at him indifferently. On one occasion when his hat had blown off in the street and become stained with mud, Mr. Astor allowed the boy to clean it up thoroughly with alcohol and soap and then thanked the boy for his trouble. He was poorer only in thanks.

He seldom eats in restaurants, though his cousin, William Waldorf Astor, nearly always ate his lunch at Delmonico's when he was an American. John Jacob Astor's tip, when he gives one, usually startles a Delmonico waiter—something that a large tip has never yet accomplished. Mr. Astor is tall, thin and rather amiable in manner. He reads the Italian, German and English papers, apparently with equal facility, and he is nearly always alone. It seems incredible of the man that he should be charry of his tips because he wishes to save money, for it is known that he entertains liberally on his yacht and in the country, and he has donated large sums to charity. It may be that he objects to tips on principle. It is certain that he does not practice tipping in any form whatever.—New York Sun.

New York Crowds.

The hurry and the bustle of a New York crowd! Everybody talks about it. Everybody feels rushed. It is a tradition that the whole population of the island of Manhattan is on the dead run fully 20 hours out of the 24. But some time just take the time to notice the crowd and your progress on the street and at the same time actually try to move rapidly. Don't try to move against the crowd. That isn't a fair test. Get on your own side of the walk and go with the throng. Have five minutes in which to get from Wall street to the postoffice. You can easily do it, you say. Try it.

See how many men you will stumble up against in your haste. Notice the number who are standing like trees in the middle of the walk admiring the pictures in the windows opposite. Watch the action of the whole mass of people when they come to a workman placing a stone in a new building. It will be evident to you then that the normal condition of a New York crowd is one of rest.

When one looks down upon the crowd, it seems busy. It is really a sluggish stream. Try to go faster than the current and you will find how slow it really is. Some people may move fast in the streets. But the hurrying crowd? There is no such thing.—New York Tribune.

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Queer Records of a Great San Francisco Fire—Who Kept the Contract?

The chief beauty of a contract, no matter what its structure, or whether it is verbal or written, is its fulfillment; nor is there anything in the broad field of business detail so gratifying to all parties concerned as the literal and actual observance of every term and feature of a contract by all parties upon whom any part of the contract devolves.

Perhaps there is no line of commercial business that depends so entirely on contract methods and obligations as that of Fire Insurance, hence, this form of business relation has peculiar significance between insurer and insured, the good faith observed on either side making for future buiness in all cases.

Some time ago a fire occurred in San Francisco wherein an immense stock of goods belonging to the firm of Buyer and Reich was wholly sacrificed and on which thirty-three "standard" fire insurance companies carried risks in amounts varying from $1200 to $5000 each, and aggregating the important sum of $137,600.

Allegations of fraud and incendiarism were at once sprung and persistently urged to the verge of prosecution, and were promptly dropped when it was discovred that no possible ground existed for them. Almost the entire array of Insurance companies were involved in this injustice and such companies as did not join in the charge were deterred from settling owing to their association with the aggressive companies. When it became apparent that the integrity of the loss was not to be questioned, the Guardian Assurance Co., the Union Fire Co. and the Prussian National, instantly closed their contracts, paying their respective shares of the great loss in full, in open defiance of the protests of the concerns that were still hunting for pretexts for evasion. It is a pertinent and valuable fact for the merchants of Salem, that George M. Beeler represents the two companies first named above, and that this sort of insurance can be had here. Their bold and honest stand has won them friends without number and no end of new business, and when this story is known and understood here it must redound to their interests and to the interest of every man there who chooses to place his risks WHERE THEY WILL BE PAID.

ODDS AND ENDS.

Every man has a right to liberty of conscience.

The annual slaughter of cattle includes over 600,000 for beef extracts. These get in the soup.

The value of the yeast powders manufactured last year reached $26,000,000, and it is still a rising business.

A Denmark old maids' insurance company pays regular weekly "benefits" to spinsters of 40 years and upward.

A bank official who "speaks by the card" says that the most costly metal is didynium, worth $4,500 per pound.

The bill collector is one of those things that does not want to be put off until tomorrow.—Binghamton Republican.

Pope John II, 532, had a "first water diamond of five pennyweights, upon which was carved an exact likeness of Christ."

The faith of Islam is based primarily upon the Koran, which is believed to have been delivered to the prophet by the Angel Gabriel.

The inhabitants of London each eat every year 65 pounds of apples, 2 of cherries, 40 of pears, 17 of plums, 1 of raspberries and 4 of strawberries.

'Tisn't true that the perfume of flowers is bad for folks' lungs. At least, in the town of La Grasse, France, where vast quantities of perfumery are made, consumption is almost unknown.

"It always pays a man in my business to take plenty of time," murmured the burglar softly to himself, gently dumping the third tray of gold watches into his capacious bag.—Buffalo Courier.

The rushlight or rush candle, which has been the "poor man's light" for many centuries, was prepared by stripping a dried rush of its bark except one small strip, which held the pith together, and dipping it repeatedly in the tallow.

PENNOYER'S SLANDER.

Governor Pennoyer in his open letter to President Cleveland says:

Today is the first Christmas in the history of Oregon when more than two-thirds of its people are without employment and more than one-third are without sufficient means of support.

To make political capital for himself and give the present administration a black eye Governor Pennoyer is willing to slander his own state in the above shameful manner.

The statement that two-thirds of the people of this state who habitually depend upon employment are unemployed may be true of Mr. Pennoyer's own city of Portland but it is not true that one-third of the people have not sufficient means of support, that is are without the necessaries of life.

If Pennoyer's statement were true as to the number of unemployed, which it is not, there would be no reflection upon Oregon in the fact. At this season of the year no one expects to be constantly employed. As for the great mass of our population, the farmers, they employ themselves and work when they please. They please not to work in the winter season.

PERTINENT PERSONALS

Governor Pennoyer is again telling the world how and what he would do if he were in President Cleveland's place. He has written another address to the President on silver. These performances have ceased to attract attention.

Jas. P. Bushee, of Pendleton, Masonic grand lecturer, who has been engaged in official duties in the Willamette valley for several months past, while returning home Monday morning on the east bound Union Pacific train to spend Christmas with his family, was thrown from the steps of the chair car, striking on his head, and killing him instantly, while the train was just entering the city limits.

Hon. W. A. Bishop, of Portland, was in the city this Christmas as guest of his son, manager of the Salem Woolen Mills store.

Hon. Robert Clow, of Junction, Wis., was in the city yesterday. He is named as a possible successor of Receiver Hadley of the Oregon Pacific, who has resigned.

Hon. Whitney L. Boise is in Salem spending the holidays with his parents at the old home on North Liberty street.

L. S. Mayer, of Seattle, is in the city over the holiday week.

Chief of Police Minto is confined at home with an attack of the grip.

Frank Crawford, of Umatilla Indian Reservation, is in the city.

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