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COLOMBIANS ARE HOPEFUL

Still Dreaming in Bogota of Regaining the Isthmus.

GENERAL WOS Y GIL COMING

Santo Domingo's Late President Will Meet Senator Galvan in Washington—Three Revolts Now Raging in His Tamalous Islet.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Minister Beaupre at Bogota has advised the state department that the Hay-Herran canal treaty was rejected by the Colombian senate on its merits—that is to say, because the treaty itself, in its text and its spirit, was regarded as objectionable. Mr. Beaupre is confident that nothing in the instructions he had received from Washington relative to the presentation of the treaty in Bogota in the slightest degree influenced the adverse action upon that convention of the Colombian senate.

The minister's advisers continue to set out the fact that the Colombians still are hopeful of being able to negotiate a new treaty with the United States in place of the failed Hay-Herran treaty and, regretting the adverse action of their senate, are willing to extend to the United States terms much more favorable than those contained in that treaty. Promises have gone so far as to indicate that the present congress might be dissolved and a new congress chosen by order of the president and that the latter would see to it that the new congress would be favorable to any canal treaty that he might submit for its ratification.

Secretary Hay has promised to present General Reyes to President Roosevelt. The date will depend upon the president's pleasure. The secretary is satisfied as to the plenipotentiary powers possessed by General Reyes and will afford him every opportunity to discharge his mission, but the fact is not concealed that there is no hope of success.

Won't Annex Santo Domingo.

The appearance in Washington of Senator Galvan, minister of finance of the defunct Wos y Gil administration of Santo Domingo, has led to a revival of the report that the ex-president is trying to secure reinstatement with the assistance of the United States, undertaking in return to allow the United States to assume a full protectorate over the island of Santo Domingo. It may now be stated, however, that the state department entertains absolutely no thought of establishing a protectorate over Santo Domingo or of annexing it. It is declared positively that American interference in the island's affairs will be limited to the protection of American interests there, and while the frequent revolutions in the little republic are very much deplored by the administration here, the Washington government will not meddle with the political conditions of Santo Domingo, but will simply see to it that existing engagements as to arbitrations and concessions to Americans are observed and that American trade is not improperly obstructed.

It is learned from trustworthy sources

that Wos y Gil, the deposed president, is now on his way to the United States. He will come to Washington and will see Senator Galvan, who expects to be in Washington again within the next ten days.

Three Revolutions Now On.

Advisers reach Washington that there are now three revolutions in Santo Domingo—the revolution led by Morales a revolution at Monte Cristo led by the followers of Jimenez and a third and stronger revolution in the south of the island. It appears that Morales has secured control by an appeal to the Dominicans that the United States intends to annex the island. It is also said that Morales has received many courtesies from European representatives in the island who are also opposed to a step by the United States in the direction of asserting the supremacy of its interests in the island.

Senator Galvan himself declines to discuss the situation in Santo Domingo in view of the fact that he is here primarily on a judicial commission.

Colon Holds Ratification Meeting.

Colon, Dec. 5.—Prefect Melendez held a reception of the citizens of Colon at the prefecture, with the object of presenting to the junta of Panama the patriotic felicitation of the citizens of this town on the speedy signing of the canal treaty, "thereby insuring the stability and future welfare of the republic." A large number of natives and foreigners were present, and the greatest enthusiasm prevailed. A torchlight procession marched to the residence of United States Consul Malinos, the superintendent of the railroad and the French consul, M. Bonheur. There was a fireworks display during the night. The United States gunboat Bancroft has arrived here.

Tug Sank in Collision.

New York, Dec. 5.—The tug Arnott collided with and sank the tug J. J. Russell of Liberty Island, in New York harbor. The Russell was struck amidships and cut almost in two. She sank immediately. The Russell's crew was saved by the Arnott. George A. Sheldon, seventeen years old, of Jersey City, a deck hand on the Russell, was knocked into the water when the collision occurred, but was picked up and was not injured.

Baltimore at Hampton Roads.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 5.—The cruiser Baltimore has arrived in Hampton Roads from Santo Domingo and will coal here preparatory to acting as convoy for the torpedo-boat destroyer flotilla on a trial trip in deep water. Three destroyers are now coaling at Newport News for this trip.

Moccasin in Good Condition.

Cape Henry, Va., Dec. 5.—The submarine boat Moccasin, ashore near Currituck life saving station, was boarded by life savers, and the vessel was found to be tight and in good condition, with no one on board.

Mayor Elect McClellan Better.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Representative George B. McClellan of New York, who has been confined to his apartments here for several days with a cold, is better and expects to be out soon.

Suicide of an Iowa Banker.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 5.—George Wood, a prominent banker of Colfax, shot himself through the head, dying instantly.

COTTON IS STILL HIGH

Market's Excitement Over Government Crop Report Unabated.

TREMENDOUS REALIZATIONS.

Heavy Covering Also and Strong Bull Support—Leaders' Judgment Validated by Official Figures.

New York, Dec. 5.—After a night's reflection the government crop report did not seem to appeal any less bullish to the cotton trade. At any rate, the market opened firm and ruled very active and excited. First prices were at an advance of 7 to 23 points, with all the months selling at new high record prices for the season on cables that were even better than due, reflecting a very bullish interpretation of the government crop estimate by the English trade.

Following the call here there was tremendous realizing, but there was also tremendous covering and bull support, and fluctuations were so extremely rapid and violent that it was almost impossible to tell whether the market was up or down from one minute to another.

One of the active months would be selling down while another was selling up, and, taken altogether, it was one of the most erratic mornings of the season. It seemed for a time after the opening as though offerings were a little too heavy for the buying power, but the market had soon rallied again to about the opening prices.

Sully's Judgment Validated.

The publication of the government's estimate of this year's cotton crop, showing it to be less than 10,000,000 bales, which was lower than many of the private estimates, was of course regarded as a complete vindication of the consistent attitude that has been maintained by the bull leaders on the cotton market during the last few months and particularly of the judgment of D. J. Sully. The government's estimate placed the crop at 9,962,459 bales. Mr. Sully's estimate was 9,968,000, or just 25,000 bales more than the government's figures. Other private estimates varied between 10,250,000 and 11,000,000 bales. The closeness of Mr. Sully's figures to those of the government bureau was therefore considered a rather remarkable feat.

Cotton Goods Go Up.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 5.—An advance in the price of cotton goods is being made by cotton mills throughout Canada on account of the increasing value of raw material. The Gibson mills of Marysville, the largest in eastern Canada, have ordered an advance, and the mills at Moncton and Milltown, in this province, and those of Nova Scotia will meet the increase. It is further announced that the Canadian Cotton Mills company, the combine which controls a majority of factories in the country, in a day or two will send out circulars ordering an advance in the price of goods running all the way from one-quarter to three-quarters of a cent per yard.

WILLIAM M. SPRINGER DEAD.

He Was Once Chairman of Ways and Means Committee.

Washington, Dec. 5.—Former Representative William M. Springer of Illinois, a Democratic leader conspicuous in the house of representatives from the forty-fourth to the fifty-third congress, inclusive, and once chairman of the ways and means committee of the house, is dead at his residence in this city, aged sixty-four years. His death was due to pneumonia contracted in Chicago Thanksgiving day.

Mr. Springer had been a resident of this city during the past few years following his retirement from congress and had followed the practice of law begun at Springfield, Ill., before his congressional career began. He had represented many of the Indian claims before the interior department and before the federal and local courts here. The funeral arrangements have been placed in the hands of a local undertaker.

Grand Rapids Graft.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 5.—The examination of Alderman Charles T. Johnson, charged with accepting a bribe from Lant K. Salsbury to support the Lake Michigan water deal, in aid of which, Salsbury alleges, he bribed a score of more of prominent citizens, including the managers of three local newspapers, was taken up in police court. Salsbury had sufficiently recovered to again take the stand as a witness. He was unable to remember any more than the substance of various conversations with Johnson in the summer of 1900, but stated that Johnson agreed to support the water deal for \$1,000 in cash, \$350 of which Salsbury said he paid him.

New Depot For St. Louis.

New York, Dec. 5.—The presidents of the roads in the St. Louis Terminal association have met to consider plans connected with the improvement of the Union station at St. Louis. These plans involve an outlay of about \$6,000,000, and it is expected that the proposed improvements will be completed in time to handle with greater facility the rush of travel to the exposition.

Fourth Class Postmasters.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: Pennsylvania—Dauphin, C. W. Shope; Johnstown, George T. Hoop; Wallingford, David Mixsell.

CHICAGO BANDITS.

Harrison's War on Hijackmen Begins in Earnest.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—West side lodging houses and resorts frequented by women were the first to feel the effect of the drastic crime clearing order of Mayor Harrison. Detectives and policemen visited the places, queried and searched the inmates and issued commands that will cause an exodus of suspicious characters from the territory. Few weapons were found.

More than thirty men and women were arrested, but to many hundreds the edict was given: "Get to work. Keep away from these places and streets or spend the winter in the bidwell."

Dynamite in large quantities has been found by Assistant Chief of Police Schuetzler hidden in the northwest part of the city. The discovery was followed by the immediate institution of a search for the persons who secreted the explosive and who are said to be connected with the car barn bandits captured in the swamps across the Indiana state line.

One of the bandits, Peter Neidermeier, attempted to bribe one of the guards at the county jail to allow him to escape. The guard is Patrick Donnelly. Neidermeier promised him \$25,000. Donnelly asked Neidermeier where he would get the money and received the answer, "I'll get it all right."

Deaf Mute's Trustee Under Charges.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 5.—Charges alleging embezzlement, forgery and perjury have been filed in the superior court by the grievance committee of the Fairfield County Bar association against Attorney George W. Carey of Stratford, who has been practicing law in this city for the past twelve years. Mr. Carey is prominent in social and church circles here and in Stratford. The charges against him are based on alleged acts in connection with his position as executor and trustee under the will of the late John W. Ford of Milford, a deaf mute, and as conservator over Mrs. Ford, widow of the testator and also a deaf mute.

Reunited After Thirty-two Years.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—After a separation of thirty-two years Mrs. Margaret Holmes has met her brother, John H. Kerou, in a State street department store. Kerou years ago started out to seek his fortune. After a time his parents died, and his sister was adopted by relatives in Minneapolis, Minn. Several years ago she married William Holmes and moved to Chicago. Though she tried to trace her brother, her efforts were vain. Kerou, who is in the lumber business at Oconto, Wis., was in Chicago, and in a State street store he met his sister, whom he recognized at once.

Bryan's Counsel Files Appeal.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 5.—Counsel for William J. Bryan, executor of the will of the late Phlo S. Bennett, has filed an appeal in the superior court from the decision of Judge Livingston W. Cleaveland in the probate court by which the sealed letter giving \$50,000 to Mr. Bryan and his family was excluded from probate. The appeal is taken by Mr. Bryan as the beneficiary and trustee mentioned in the sealed letter. It will come up for a hearing at the January term of the superior court.

Murdered Man Washed Ashore.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 5.—The body of a well dressed man, supposed from letters found on his person to be Michael J. Fitzpatrick of New York, was washed ashore in St. Mary's county. The throat was cut from ear to ear, and there were two bullet wounds in the chest. The point is remote, and particulars are meager. If the man was murdered the crime must have been committed on a steamer plying on the Chesapeake bay. The authorities are investigating.

Stage Star Too Realistic.

Gervin, Ore., Dec. 5.—Robert Matteson of Minneapolis, a traveling showman, was stabbed in the breast at the opera house and is in a precarious condition. During the entertainment a farce is played in which the woman in the case stabs the leading character. To make it realistic the actor wears a board under his clothing. In this instance the heroine struck too high, and the knife pierced the left lung, barely missing the heart. The wound may result fatally.

English Mills Fear Great Calamity.

Liverpool, Dec. 5.—The cotton market opened amid great excitement. Futures were quoted 89-100 to 40-100 pence higher, January and February running immediately to 6.05 pence, being 43 points higher. The rise in cotton caused intense excitement in Manchester and Liverpool. It is said locally that if the official crop estimate of the United States department of agriculture is correct it means a terrible calamity for Lancashire.

Contraband Chinamen Drowned.

Buffalo, Dec. 5.—A wagon load of Chinamen who were being smuggled into this country was overturned and fell into the Erie canal. Four of the Chinamen were drowned.

CONDITION OF TRADE

Retail Business Quiet, Manufacturing Interests Irregular.

RAILWAY EARNINGS LARGE.

Encouraging Reports Regarding Iron and Steel—Small Receipts and Shipments of Wheat. November Failures.

New York, Dec. 5.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Trade is reasonably quiet except in the lines affected by weather and those embracing holiday goods, which are in good demand. Activity is especially conspicuous among footwear jobbers and retailers. Commodities are generally lower in price, although a few important articles, such as cotton, eggs and dairy products, have risen so sharply that Dun's index number on Dec. 3 was \$98,223 against \$97,825 a month previous. For the year there is a decline of about 2 per cent. Manufacturing conditions are still irregular, the best symptom of the week being the steadiness of iron and steel. Textile mills still find it difficult to secure prices in proper ratio to the raw material, the violent advance in cotton adding to the embarrassment of spinners, who have only limited supplies on hand. Building permits in November were smaller at Philadelphia than last year, although for eleven months the comparison with 1902 is favorable.

Railway earnings in three weeks of November were 4.8 per cent larger than a year previous, and, while this gain is less than that recently recorded, the tone of securities has further improved. Bank exchanges at New York for the week were only 18.3 per cent smaller than a year ago, a much better comparison than usual this season. At other leading cities there was a gain of 4 per cent.

Several encouraging reports are received regarding the iron and steel situation. In most cases the proposed reduction in wages has met with no opposition, and such business as comes forward is handled without interruption. Another good sign is that the past week has brought no further reduction in prices.

Small Wheat Shipments.

Both arrivals and shipments of wheat make poor comparisons with last year's figures. Receipts were 8,264,233 bushels against 9,964,639 a year ago, and exports, including flour, amounted to only 3,402,158 bushels against 5,940,739 in 1902. Interior arrivals of 2,358,100 bushels of corn compare with 3,831,040, and even Atlantic coast shipments were only 965,278 bushels against 1,046,067 a year ago.

Liabilities of commercial failures during November were smaller than in the preceding month, and there was also a better showing as to banking and other fiduciary suspensions, while the month made a more satisfactory exhibit than last July. But in no other comparison does November appear favorably. Losses were more numerous and much heavier than in any other month of recent years or the corresponding month in any year of the past decade. Commercial failures were 1,192 in number and \$16,422,300 in amount against 1,000 defaults for \$9,276,716 in the same month last year, an increase of 11.6 per cent in number and 77 per cent in amount. The striking rise in liabilities was due to the twenty-seven large failures, which provided \$7,655,677 of the total defaulted indebtedness of the month.

McCarthy Gets One Year.

New York, Dec. 5.—Timothy McCarthy, Sam Parks' associate and a walking delegate of the Housewives and Bridgemen's union, who was convicted of the extortion of \$300 from the Loebel-Andrews company, has been sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary on Blackwell's island. McCarthy was found guilty on Wednesday by a jury of extortion in taking \$300 from the Loebel-Andrews company to settle a strike in the Martin Washington hotel on East Twenty-ninth street.

Fifteen Clerks Overcome by Gas.

Pittsburg, Dec. 5.—Fifteen clerks in May's drug store in Market street were rendered unconscious by escaping sewer gas. All soon revived. Three are still in a serious condition, but the physicians say they will recover. The fainting of the clerks caused considerable excitement, and it was necessary to close the store for a short time.

Brief Session of Congress.

Washington, Dec. 5.—The senate was in session only thirty-five minutes. The business transacted was purely of a routine character. It had been considered probable that a resolution for the adjournment of the extra session of congress would be brought in, but none was offered. The house was in session but five minutes. Mr. Hunt (Ky.) and Mr. Nevin (O.) were sworn in as members.

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BIG FIRE AND NO WATER.

Breakdown at Pumping Station in Schenectady Proves Disastrous.

Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 5.—The freight house and sheds of the New York Central Railroad company in this city were totally destroyed by fire this morning, together with an immense amount of freight, the value of which it is almost impossible to estimate. The only means the fire department had of fighting the fire was with water obtained from the Erie canal with two fire engines. The city had been without a drop of water in its mains for twenty-four hours on account of a breakdown at the pumping station which disabled both pumps and shut off entirely the city's supply.

With the two streams of water from the canal the firemen worked heroically, and the absence of wind once prevented the destruction of the entire northern part of the city.

On Aug. 9 last the city had a similar experience. The city water was turned off to make repairs at the pumping station, and seven houses in Hueltt street were destroyed.

Paper Mills Resuming Work.

Saratoga, N. Y., Dec. 5.—Operations are being resumed at the mills of the International Paper company, which shut down early last week. The mills are situated at Corinth, Fort Edward, Glens Falls and elsewhere and employ 10,000 men.

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