

COL. "BOB" CARR

Wants to Know Where He is in the Watts Deal.

IT WILL NOT BE THE FIRST TIME

He Has Been Knocked Out by the Same Gentleman-The Chiltons Playing a Two-Handed Game-The Bargain with Ex-Congressman Alderson Makes a Considerable Mix-A Scheme that was Abandoned-Whole Crowd for Free Silver.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., May 11.—Colonel Robert S. Carr is doing lots of thinking just now, and has not as yet been able to make up his mind as to just where he is at. One month ago he would have been willing to stake all he was worth that he would be the next Democratic nominee for state auditor, but he is not so certain of it now.

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IN THE SENATE

The California Deep Water Improvement Bill Under Debate.

WASHINGTON, May 11.—The California deep water harbor project was before the senate most of the day. It is seldom that a local improvement arouses so much feeling among senators, manifesting itself in a display of unusual animation and of considerable personal feeling.

Mr. Berry, of Arkansas, began the debate to-day declaring that this proposed expenditure of three millions was against the public interest and in the private interest of C. P. Huntington, of the Southern Pacific. Senators Vest and Caffery took the ground that no appropriation should be made at present.

Mr. Frye, chairman of the commerce committee, replied to the senatorial opposition and vehemently characterized the criticisms of Mr. Huntington as "savoring of the slogan of the sand lots."

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SPAIN GIVES IN.

Execution of the Competitor Crew is Postponed.

DEMAND OF THE UNITED STATES

Is Respected to that Extent—The demands Taken by this Government in the Matter—Terms of the Treaty which is Being Enforced by Uncle Sam—Report of the Spanish Decision is Confirmed—News From Cuba.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 11.—In the Competitor case it can be authoritatively stated that at the request of the United States the Spanish government will postpone execution of the death sentences upon American citizens until the views of the United States respecting the application of their cases of the treaty of 1879 and the protocol of 1877 can be represented and considered.

The announcement of the postponement of the executions means a delay of some weeks at least and that the matter will be taken up by the diplomatic representatives of the United States of Spain and be made the subject of the exchange of correspondence on the interpretation to be given the treaty provisions between the two nations.

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with the war as he should, as the Spanish authorities at every movement are hampered by the "irritating meddling of America in Cuban affairs."

SPAIN'S FREDICATION.

London Globe Says the Sympathy of Europe will be with Cuba's Oppressor.

LONDON, May 11.—The Globe this afternoon, commenting upon the Cuban situation, says: "It is impossible not to sympathize with the Spanish ministry, suddenly called to choose between the loss of Spain's best colony and a war with a greater power."

The St. James Gazette remarks: "There are conditions in both the United States and Spain which militate against a peaceful settlement. America is quite capable of doing more than talk when Cuba and the lives of Americans are concerned."

TERRIBLE RIVER DISASTER.

The Towboat Harry Brown Blown Up in the Mississippi River—Eleven Lives are Lost—Story of the Disaster.

The large towboat Harry Brown, up-bound, exploded her boilers twenty-five miles below Vicksburg, Miss., at 11:30 last night and she was a complete wreck in less than a moment.

The Harry Brown was owned by W. H. Brown, the extensive coal operator of Pittsburg, and was one of the largest towboats in the country.

The Harry Brown had a crew of twenty-eight passengers as follows: Captain, John Kane, Pittsburg; engineer, William Dougherty, Pittsburg; second engineer, Dennis Stowe, Cairo; mate, Frank Adams, Louisville; steward, Norman Dravo, Pittsburg; fireman, Patrick Kane, John Joyce, James Sheehan, Thomas Judge, all of Pittsburg.

The survivors and also the wounded were taken to Vicksburg on the Honshell. Six of the officers and crew of the Brown are in the marine ward of the Vicksburg hospital, as follows: Captain John Kimo, hip seriously injured.

William Grimme, carpenter, leg broken. John Hardy, fireman, badly scalded and otherwise seriously injured.

William Wilson, fireman. First Mate William Fitzsimmons. Second Mate Pat Carniff. William Kelley, lamp trimmer.

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ONLY ROUTINE

Business Transacted in the Methodist Conference.

THE FREEDMEN'S AID REPORT

From the Committee Adopted—Resolutions to Begin on Thursday—A Proposition to Reduce Salaries of All Officers is Referred to a Committee—Important Resolutions Passed—A Proposed Constitutional Amendment.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 11.—Bishop Walden presided this morning at the opening of the M. E. general conference.

A resolution to prevent a duplication of studies in the church schools and public schools in the city was read, but referred to the committee on Freedman's aid.

The first formal application for the conference of nineteen hundred was presented by Saratoga Springs, New York, and referred to the committee on entertainment.

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mates for the several states are as follows: Virginia, 20; North Carolina, 20; South Carolina, 20; Georgia, 20; Florida, 10; Alabama, 25; Mississippi, 25; Louisiana, 25; Texas, 25; Arkansas, 25; Tennessee, 25. The returns of correspondents in regard to contemplated acreage indicate a considerable increase over the area planted last year.

A BIG OIL FIRE

In the Bradford District—Great Damage Has Already Been Inflicted, and the Fire is Yet Beyond Control.

The following Associated Press dispatch from Bradford, Pa., tells of a disastrous fire in the oil fields:

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