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## SYNDICATE IS BROKEN

It Was Formed to Purchase Government Bonds.

J. B. MORGAN ISSUES A CIRCULAR.

He Announces the Dissolution of the Bond Syndicate and Releases the Members from Their Obligations—If the Syndicate Took the Bonds Small Bids Would Have To Be Thrown Out by the Secretary of the Treasury—Forming of the Pool.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The bond syndicate has been dissolved. Members of the government bond syndicate received in their mail Wednesday morning a circular letter from J. P. Morgan & Co. releasing them from their commitments to furnish their pro rata of \$100,000 in gold and a second \$100,000 if desirable, taking their payment in 4 per cent. government bonds. Accompanying this letter was a circular explaining why the syndicate was formed, what action was taken on its behalf, and why it is now dissolved.

"On the 23d of December," Mr. Morgan says, "I was invited to Washington for a conference. During my visit there no negotiations for a loan were even suggested, nor was there then, nor since, any agreement, or request, that I should take any steps preparatory to making a contract.

"I name, however, to the conclusion that the president and secretary of the treasury would use every power at their command to restore and maintain the gold reserve; that no steps would be taken until it was ascertained what congress would do; that the executive department would prefer to secure \$200,000,000 of gold, and that it was certain that no relief could be obtained from congress.

"Upon my return, appreciating the gravity of the situation, and in order that I might be prepared to act promptly, I took steps to ascertain to what extent it would be possible to secure the co-operation of capitalists in forming a syndicate which would agree to sell to the United States government \$200,000,000 of gold coins. The contract prepared and signed by the participants did not stipulate whether the purchase would be by private contract or by public offer. The only provision in addition to the important one that no gold should be drawn from the treasury was that the minimum amount of the contract should be \$100,000,000, the maximum not over \$200,000,000.

"The applications far exceeded my expectations. At the end of three or four days the total of \$200,000,000 was reached and I had full authority which would enable me whenever and however the executive might decide to act to secure that amount of gold for the treasury reserve in exchange for United States bonds. The participants may be divided into four classes: People in Europe who were prepared to ship gold to this side; institutions in the United States in possession of gold coins who would lend either for investment or as a basis for additional bank circulation; third, banks in various cities who were willing to exchange their gold for bonds, expecting afterwards to sell them in the market; fourth, institutions and firms not having gold but which would get it at whatever cost, provided the contract was put in force. Participants were about equally divided between the four classes.

"Having completed the syndicate I entered into negotiations in Europe, and in places other than London, where the market was closed to us, and through the Deutsche bank and Messrs. Morgan, Harjes & Co. Negotiations were practically concluded for public subscriptions in Germany, France, and Holland, which would have resulted in a large amount of bonds being placed in those countries. On Jan. 4, realizing that the tension was growing daily and had become serious, I addressed a letter to the president, calling his attention to the situation and representing that the most important step was the restoration of the government credit by replenishing its stock of gold. Details of what was proposed were given, and assurances offered that the utmost efforts would be made to procure for the treasury 15,000,000 ounces of gold.

"The message given for the dissolution of the syndicate is a bid of 'all or none,' and therefore Mr. Morgan was unwilling to make a bid under the present circumstances, as he might seem to present for consideration by the treasury the throwing out of smaller bids made in good faith under the public call. The only emergency, in Mr. Morgan's judgment, which would justify such a course would be the failure of the public to respond to the call of the government. It was necessary to delay the dissolving of the syndicate up to the present time, as every financial interest required protection afforded by the knowledge that the syndicate was in existence, prepared to make the loan a success under the circumstances. The circular concludes: 'I am perfectly satisfied that there is no question as to the success of the loan.'

"Boyott Fined Out. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—The boycott inaugurated against the St. Louis Fair association by the 'Brothers' Brotherhood' association seems to have fizzled out. Horsemen all over the country as fast as they heard of it telegraphed to the fair association assurances of their friendship. Entries to all the stakes closed Wednesday, and the fair association officials state that the list is unusually large.

"Prussian Diet Opened. BERLIN, Jan. 16.—The Prussian diet was opened at noon Wednesday in the white hall of the schloss. The speech from the throne was devoted to domestic affairs. It is estimated that the budget for 1896 will show a smaller deficit than that of 1895, owing to increased railway receipts, due to improved trade.

"Indiana Democratic Committee. INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 16.—The Democratic state central committee met in this city Wednesday and reorganized. Sterling R. Holt of Indianapolis was unanimously elected chairman, to succeed Thomas Taggart. John P. Frenzel was elected treasurer. The chairman will appoint a secretary later.

"Omaha Banks Bid for Bonds. OMAHA, Jan. 16.—Four Omaha banks have bid for \$200,000 of the new bond issue. They are the Merchants, Nebraska and two not made public.

## THE TRANSVAAL TROUBLE

Satisfactory Conference Between President Kruger and Governor Robinson.

PRETORIA, Jan. 16.—The conference between Sir Hercules Robinson, governor of the Cape Colony, and President Kruger of the South African republic, has been concluded, and it is believed that it has been entirely satisfactory as regards all matters in which Dr. Jameson and his followers are concerned. The other questions which require settlement have been deferred. The British officials speak in the highest terms of the moderation displayed by President Kruger, and declare it to be untrue that he has made any inordinate demands. Some of the ultraists who have been arrested at Johannesburg have been released.

LONDON, Jan. 16.—It is ascertained that the "Clement" mentioned in the list of the prisoners of Dr. Jameson's force which was issued by the British South Africa company is not Victor Clement, the mining engineer, as at first supposed, but a man named Clement Atkins.

## CHILI GUARDS HER FRONTIER

Occupies Passes of the Cordillera on the Argentine Boundary.

LIMA, Peru, Jan. 16.—Dispatches from Santiago de Chili say that a division of the Chilean army has been ordered to occupy the passes of the Cordillera bordering on the Argentine republic. It is reported that an understanding between Chili and Brazil exists on this subject. Chili and Argentina for over a year have been discussing the boundary which at one time threatened to involve Chili, Bolivia, Argentina, Peru and Ecuador in a war in which the four republics last named would be pitted against Chili. The matter, however, has been repeatedly announced to have been settled and the present development was not anticipated in view of the recent advice from Chili.

## Woman Fatally Burned.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—Mrs. Edith Cox, widow of the late Abraham B. Cox, the wealthy paper dealer, was so badly burned Tuesday by the explosion of an alcohol lamp which she was filling that she died a few hours later. Mrs. Cox was endeavoring to warm some food for the children and the alcohol she was pouring into the lamp became ignited. Her clothing was ablaze in an instant. Her mother, who had been in the room with her, rushed to her aid, but before Mrs. Cox's burning garments could be extinguished she was burned almost to a crisp.

## Old Time Confession Man Arrested.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 16.—John Morrissey, an old time confession man, originally from New York is under arrest here, charged with swindling the Metropolitan National bank out of \$99 on a bogus draft and with swindling other Kansas Cityans. Morrissey had been in Kansas City about a week, and under the alias of being Lawrence Day, supposed brother of Marcus Daly, the Montana millionaire mine owner and agent of the Rothschilds, easily ingratiated himself into the favor of several local business men.

## Tried to Wreck a Train.

DIXON, Ill., Jan. 16.—In order to get even with a successful rival for the smiles of a young lady, it is alleged that William Lally tried to wreck an Illinois Central train at Eldina Tuesday night. In consequence he and James Holgeon, whom he persuaded to assist him, have been held for trial in \$500 bonds each. Joseph Pettit, whose life it is asserted Lally sought to take, expected to move Tuesday night to Nashville, Tenn., and the alleged train wrecking plan was for the purpose of being revenge upon him.

## Five Men Charged with Arson.

CRAWFORD, Neb., Jan. 16.—Five men are under arrest here charged with arson. They are strangers in this section and are alleged to have started the fire which destroyed the greater portion of the city Sunday night. Some of the goods from the buildings destroyed were found in their possession when captured. It is believed they started the fire to conceal the robbery. There are numerous threats of lynching the prisoners.

## Prominent Lawyers Fight in Court.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 16.—Ex-Congressman Henry Stockbridge and Thomas MacCall, both prominent members of the bar, became involved in an altercation in Judge Phelps' court Tuesday, during which the he was passed. The men clinched and some of the bystanders say blows were struck before they were separated. Judge Phelps ordered them out of the courtroom and will probably punish them for contempt.

## Fire at New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—The four-story building occupied by the roofing concern of Tobias C. New, 531 to 539 East Ninth street, was destroyed by fire Tuesday night. The firemen believe that the flames started by spontaneous combustion. The total loss to building and stock is estimated at \$75,000, which is only partially covered by insurance.

## Senators From Utah.

SALT LAKE, Jan. 16.—At the Republican caucus Frank J. Cannon was nominated by acclamation. Twenty votes were necessary to nominate. On the second ballot Arthur Brown received 24 votes and C. W. Bennett 19. Brown was therefore declared nominated. No other nominations were before the convention.

## Nineteen People Drowned.

DOVER, Jan. 16.—The steamship Czar of Barcelona has been sunk in collision with the German ship Nereus, and nineteen of her crew were drowned. The Nereus which left Liverpool on Oct. 2 for Hamburg has been towed into a place of safety. The collision occurred in a fog off Ramsgate.

## Children Killed by an Explosion.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—A special from St. Louis, Mo., says: The boiler of a portable sawmill belonging to Fred Duber, ten miles southeast of here, exploded Tuesday, instantly killing two of his children and badly injuring the proprietor.

## Fatal Fire in a German Coal Mine.

MACHESBOROUGH, Silesia, Jan. 16.—A disastrous fire has occurred in the Hermsdorf coal mine with much loss of life. Fifteen bodies have already been recovered and seventeen injured miners have been taken out.

## Counterfeit \$20 Bill.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 16.—It has just come to light that a new counterfeit \$20 bill on the South Bend National bank is in circulation.

## OUR NATION'S CAPITAL

News of Public Interest from Washington.

## THE DOINGS OF THE LAWMAKERS.

Report of the Day's Proceedings in the Senate and House of Representatives—Meeting of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations—Absent Member Results in a Tie Vote on the Revenue Tariff Bill in Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Sherman secured the floor shortly after the session of the senate began Wednesday and presented an adverse report on the bill prohibiting citizens of the United States from accepting any titles, decorations, etc., from foreign nations. Sherman said there appeared to be no need for the proposed legislation and the consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed. He reported favorably a joint resolution appropriating \$75,000 for the expense of the commission engaged in fixing the boundary between Alaska and British America along the line of the 141st meridian of west longitude. There was some objection to the immediate consideration of the measure, but on Sherman's statement that the commission now at work would have to suspend operations unless the appropriation was given the resolution was passed. Mills then took the floor in support of his resolution concerning silver bonds, etc.

## Doings in the House.

In the house the speaker announced the appointment of Allen of Utah to the committee on public lands in the place of Curtis of Kansas, resigned. On motion of Bowers of California a bill was passed authorizing the secretary of the interior to suspend regulations to be fixed by him, to permit the use of right of way upon public lands for the purpose of generating electric power. George B. McClellan was declared elected from the Twelfth district of New York. A free home bill, making actual residence on railroad land grants unnecessary where the lands have been fenced and improved, was passed. A bill granting an American register to the steamer Mianus was also passed. Then, on motion of W. A. Stone of Pennsylvania, the house went into committee of the whole on the pension appropriation bill.

## UPHOLDS THE DOCTRINE.

Report of Foreign Relations Committee Will Be Made on Friday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—At the meeting of senate committee on foreign relations Wednesday the resolution prepared by Senator Davis for the committee, defining the legislative action, the attitude of this country toward foreign encroachments on the western hemisphere, in accordance with the Monroe doctrine, was reported to the committee. The resolution was discussed at some length, but final consideration of it was postponed until next Friday, when a special meeting of the committee will be held to consider the resolution and the entire subject which it covers.

While the committee is almost unanimous in its support of such a declaration there is some objection, especially on the part of Senator Gray, who expressed the opinion that unless the declaration was modified in some particulars it might lead to complications which might be avoided by proper care at this time. Other members consider the problem one of such magnitude and involving so many possible contingencies as to render it imprudent to place the measure in such haste. The text of the resolution was not given out, but it is understood that it is a strong and concise declaration, asserting the American doctrine in unmistakable terms.

## Call to Christian Organizations.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—Mr. R. S. Tharin, who has been one of the active movers regarding relief for the Armenians, has issued a call for all the Christian organizations in the United States to send delegates to a national Christian conference at Washington to meet on Saturday, Feb. 22, 1896, to consider the deplorable condition of Armenia, to devise ways and means for the amelioration thereof and to consider whether to memorialize congress to take effective measures to abate the nuisance now rampant on the Bosphorus.

## Revenue Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The senate financial committee held a brief meeting Wednesday with Senator Jones of Nevada, absent for the consideration of the revenue tariff bill. A vote was taken and developed a tie on the bill. Senator Jones was not paired and it became necessary to have his vote either for or against the bill. When he returns it is understood that it will be reported either favorably or adversely, depending upon his vote.

## Chance for American Artists.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—United States Consul General De Kay, at Berlin, reports that he has secured an allotment of the international art exhibition, to be held in Berlin from May to October next, for American artists, and a promise from the president of the exhibition committee that their pictures shall be brought to Berlin and returned to New York free of charge.

## Northern Pacific Receivership.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The hearing in regard to the receivership of the Northern Pacific railway which began Tuesday by Justice Field, Harlan, Brewer and Brown, sitting in chambers, was continued Wednesday. Ex-Senator Spooner concluded his argument and was followed by Mr. Pettit, who is the direct representative of the railroad company.

## Arizona Admission Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Arizona territory admission bill was taken up for consideration by the house committee on territories Wednesday. Delegate Murphy presented in detail reasons why he thought the territory should be admitted to statehood. The bill will be further considered on Saturday.

## Receiver Asked For.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—The superior court is asked to appoint a receiver for the Calumet Iron and Steel company, whose plant is at South Chicago. The company, which was once a large and flourishing concern, has been out of business for some time, but the plant is now in the possession of a new corporation under a lease which the court is asked to set aside as fraudulent.

## WISCONSIN TO BE REDISTRICTED.

Governor Upham Issues His Call for a Special Session.

MADISON, Jan. 16.—Governor Upham has issued the call for the legislature to meet in special session Tuesday, Feb. 13, the date originally decided upon, for the purpose of apportioning the state into new senatorial and assembly districts under the census of 1895. Following is the call:

"In pursuance of the authority vested in me by the constitution, I, William H. Upham, governor of the state of Wisconsin, do hereby convene the legislature of said state in special session at Madison, Tuesday, the 13th day of February, A. D. 1896, at 10 o'clock, to apportion the state into senatorial and assembly districts on the basis of the new state census, as provided by law.

"W. H. UPHAM, Governor.

"HENRY CASSON, Secretary of State."

## LETTER FROM CLARA BARTON.

Red Cross Leader Writes Concerning the Armenian Question.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—A letter from Clara Barton on the Armenian question has been made public. She states that the first appeal for the Red Cross to act came from the missionary boards of Constantinople. To this two conditions were made, that the request come from the people of the entire country and that sufficient money should be realized. The first was complied with and the national committee guaranteed sufficient funds. The international committee of Geneva, official head of all the Red Cross treaty nations, having no objection preparations for selling were made.

The American Red Cross had no part in raising the money, its only mission being to distribute. Then came the objection from the Turkish government. Miss Barton declares the government is not antagonistic to the Red Cross as such, but objects to the distribution of foreign relief on entirely different grounds, neither in its power nor that of the secretary to control. She adds that any statement that the Red Cross is aggressive and intends to act in spite of the prohibition is entirely incorrect and unfounded.

## County Treasurer Short.

OMAHA, Jan. 16.—A special to the Bee from Elwood, Neb., says: Casper county treasurer, W. E. Aldrich, is short from \$5,000 to \$10,000. He has left the country. Nov. 14 the state examiner called to check him up. That night the court house burned with all the records and the county treasurer's bond. Suspicion was aroused, but Aldrich was permitted to remain in office. Jan. 9 he was requested to resign, but sentiment forcing the supervisors to action. His contract was so strange that he was examined by the insanity board, but declared sane. He said the cash was in the office vaults, but refused to give the combination. He disappeared Monday. Tuesday the vaults were forced but no money found.

## Enormous Liabilities.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—It was stated Wednesday on good authority that the liabilities of Keen, Sutterly & Co., leather dealers, whose failure was announced on Saturday, will reach the enormous sum of \$4,000,000. Nothing can be learned of the assets. It is stated further that Frederick S. Sutterly, the head of the embarrassed firm, left the city the day before the assignment was recorded in company with John M. Fenlin, a tobacco merchant, who called at the same time, and that neither has since been heard from. The leather trade is considerably agitated over the situation.

## Bank Suspends Payment.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 16.—The City bank, one of the smaller state banking institutions of this city, suspended payment Wednesday pending an examination by the state bank examiner. The institution has been known to be weak for some time. T. J. Baxton is president and Fred Smith cashier. The capital is \$300,000. The deposits at the last statement, Dec. 13, 1895, were \$235,504; loans and discounts, \$678,787; cash on hand and due from banks, \$164,593.

## Formerly Elected.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 16.—The two houses of the legislature in joint session Wednesday at 12 o'clock confirmed their respective acts of Tuesday by electing J. H. Foraker United States senator, the term to begin March 4, 1897. The senator-elect, in waiting at Governor Bushnell's office, being escorted to the hall of the house, was received with great applause and addressed the general assembly briefly.

## Hypnotist Terribly Burned.

NEW HAMPTON, Ia., Jan. 16.—At Lawler, a small town east of this city, Don G. Hall, a hypnotist, in giving a performance broke a kerosene lamp, the contents being spilled upon himself. He was soon enveloped in flames, which were extinguished by the prompt action of a man in the audience. Hall was terribly burned and it is doubtful if he will survive.

## Another Railway Station Held Up.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Jan. 16.—Masked robbers entered the local Missouri Pacific station and with drawn revolvers held up four passengers and the agent. The valuables all were taken. The agent was ordered to open the safe. He jumped through the window and escaped, being fired at repeatedly.

## THE DEATH RECORD.

Brigadier General CHARLES A. HECKMAN, veteran of two wars, at Philadelphia, Pa.

GEORGE ROCKWELL, prominent Kansan, at Junction City, Kan.

Colonel WILLIAM SCOTT BROWN, Mexican war veteran, at Chicago.

## HORRIBLE TRAGEDY.

Kansas Woman Gives Poison to Her Eight Children.

SEVEN DIE IN A FEW MINUTES.

The Mother Then Goes to the Barn Where She Commits Suicide by Hanging—The Desperate Deed Caused by the Poverty of the Family and the Illness of the Husband and Father—Terrible Discovery Made by a Neighbor.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 16.—A special to The Republic from St. Joe, Mo., says: Early Tuesday morning Mrs. Joseph Hildebrandt, who with her husband and eight children, the latter ranging from 3 to 14 years of age, reside on a farm six miles south of Marysville, Kan., arose from her bed, and preparing breakfast, called her children, after which all of them sat down to the morning meal. Shortly after they had finished breakfast all of the children were taken ill and in a short time four of them were dead. The mother refused to go after medical attendance and did not arouse the neighbors. Finally one of the neighbors came in and seeing the situation, went for help. When he returned he found three more of the children dead and the mother missing.

The Mother Hanged Herself.

A search was at once made, which resulted in finding Mrs. Hildebrandt in the barn, where she was suspended by a rope around her neck. Death had come to her sometime before the discovery. The eighth and only child left was alive at last hour, but its death was momentarily expected. Some time ago the husband and father became afflicted with a cancer of the face. He used up what little means he had in trying to effect a cure, and a few days ago went to Kansas City, where he received treatment in a hospital. The poverty of the family so worked on the mind of Mrs. Hildebrandt that she administered poison to her children and then killed herself.

## Recruits for the Cuban Army.

PORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 16.—Within the last few days twenty-five recruits for the Cuban army have left this city for Galveston, from which point they will embark for the Cuban coast. They were recruited by an agent of the insurgents and were mostly interesting men out of the work. The agent contracted to pay \$50 per month to date from enlistment, advance payment to be made when the party arrived at Galveston. Railroad transportation from Port Worth to Galveston was furnished each. The fact that recruits for the Cuban army has been going on here is well known. The men are good material for soldiers.

## Worthy Woman to Trouble.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 16.—A sensational scene occurred in Division No. 1 of the circuit court Wednesday when Judge Woods ordered Mrs. Mary Kate Hopper committed to jail for contempt of court. The commitment was afterwards set aside on a technical point. Mrs. Hopper is well known in the city. She was indicted for the murder of her husband, who was killed in a duel. After a long trial, which ended in a hung jury, she was committed to jail for contempt of court. The commitment was afterwards set aside on a technical point.

## Fallacy at Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—Charles W. Landoll, manufacturer of glass and tin and Morocco leather at 141 North Fifth street, failed Tuesday. The liabilities will exceed \$100,000, assets about \$40,000. A number of executions have been issued and Mr. Landoll will make an assignment. Also Stein & Co. of New York are among the creditors. The failure was a result of the recent collapse of Keen, Sutterly & Co.

## Babb Nominated for Senator.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 16.—The Democratic legislative joint caucus Wednesday made the following nominations: United States senator, W. L. Rife, Mount Pleasant; state printer, S. H. Evans, Oskaloosa; state auditor, M. S. Hable, Dubuque; warden of Anamosa penitentiary, Thomas Hudson, Anamosa; warden of Fort Madison penitentiary, Elmer E. Norton, McGregor.

## Suicide of a Prominent South Hunter.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Jan. 16.—Alonzo Wash, a prominent citizen and one of the leading contractors and builders of northwestern Indiana, shot himself Wednesday. The bullet entered his forehead, death resulting almost immediately. He was married but a short time ago. It is thought probable insanity prompted the deed.

## Two Nebraska Banks Collapsed.

BLUE SPRINGS, Kan., Jan. 16.—The Blue Springs bank was closed by the state examiner, who now has possession. No loans to depositors is expected. The Bank of Stratton at Stratton, Neb., was also closed. The capital stock was \$17,000. The assets are more than equal to the liabilities.

## To Die on St. Patrick's Day.

PORT SMITH, Ark., Jan. 16.—Judge Parker Tuesday sentenced "Charles H. Hill" to be hanged on Tuesday, the 17th of March. Cherokee was once before sentenced to death, but his case was appealed to the supreme court of the United States, where the judgment of the lower court was affirmed.

## Arrest of an Alconceur.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 16.—Benjamin Johnson, the resident agent of the New York firm of Kendall & Whitlock, stock exchange brokers, who suddenly left this city Jan. 7, after the discovery of a shortage of about \$10,000 in his accounts, was arrested in Tampa, Fla., Tuesday.

## Escape of a Postoffice Thief.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 16.—John Rogers, indicted for robbing the Bigstone postoffice, awaiting trial in the United States court, escaped Wednesday from the officer having him in charge, during the temporary absence of the latter from the United States marshal's office.

## Murderer His Mother and Sister.

WATERBURY, N. Y., Jan. 16.—William Oswald of Ogdensburg shot and killed his mother and then ended his own life in that city Tuesday. He had been out of work for some time and was supposed to have committed fratricide the night before.

## Albion's Candidate Arrived.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16.—The Iowa congressional delegation met Wednesday and took action formally endorsing the candidacy of Senator Allison for the Republican presidential nomination.