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NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Three trans-Atlantic steamships have been detained at the quarantine station all day by order of the health officers, with a view to making a thorough search for possible contagious diseases among the immigrants on board. These are the City of Berlin, Belgeland and Russia. The former arrived Saturday with a number of Russian Jews among the steerage passengers. The Belgeland brought 235 and the Russia 540 immigrants, among whom are people from localities near, if not contiguous to, the places whence came the typhus-infected Russian Jews who have wrought such consternation among the health authorities of this port. Doctors examined individuals on the City of Berlin separately, but found no indications of infection. The immigrants are now awaiting an order of release. It is possible that all will be sent to Hoffman island for twenty days for observation. The Brazilian mail steamer Vigilancia arrived today from Rio Janeiro and was detained at quarantine, some of the crew having been taken off with yellow fever at Bahia.

Dealing in Futures.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The Chicago Board of Trade had a hearing before the house committee on agriculture today on the anti-option bill, and through its president, Charles K. Hanuill, opposed the passage of the bill on the ground it prohibited dealings in futures. "The system of future deliveries," Hanuill said, "grew up in response to a demand from the agriculturists for a continuous open market, which was impossible without future buying and selling." He believed the sale of futures was in the interest of producers. Speculation, in his opinion, had a tendency to sustain values. If a man was prohibited from buying for future delivery, a great stimulus to buying was taken away. In answer to a query, Hanuill admitted that sometimes speculation forced prices down, but he believed this was generally temporary, and that in the aggregate it sustained prices. Puts or calls were not tolerated by the board; it was purely a gambling transaction, and the board would welcome anything which prohibited it.

Morris M. Estee Interviewed.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Morris M. Estee of California, who is at the Fifth Avenue hotel, was asked by a reporter if California would send a Harrison delegation to the National republican convention? He said that, although he had not been in California since the Blaine letter had been published, he thought that with Blaine out of the question the republicans of the state were for Harrison. "Has Alger any supporters?" Estee was asked. "Yes, Alger is very popular on the coast," he answered. "He would have something of a following if his friends attempted to work up a boom for him as a candidate." "Do you believe Blaine's letter was intended to be final?" Estee was asked. "I do not only believe it," he replied, "but I know it. The letter was intended to settle the question."

Will Marry a French Count.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The wedding of Count Festicites and Miss Ella Haggin is announced to occur on February 24. The bride is the only daughter of Mr. Louis Haggin, and a granddaughter of J. S. Haggin, the millionaire turf patron of California. Count Festicites comes of one of the oldest and most distinguished families of the Austrian nobility. Miss Haggin made her debut this winter. Mr. and Mrs. Louis Haggin have occupied a town house at 111 East-34th street, during the past year. They have also houses in California and in Paris. The count met Miss Haggin in the French metropolis and followed her to this country. He is a member of the Paris Jockey Club, and is a noted personage in society, in Paris and Vienna.

Silver Men Jubilant.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The silver men have secured upwards of 120 democratic signatures to their petition asking the rules committee to bring in a special order for the silver bills. There are 228 democrats in the house, so the silver men have secured a majority. They say they have received assurances of the members of the rules committee that they will do what is shown to be the will of the majority of the democrats in the house, but it is not likely that the committee will meet for some days.

Alger on Puget Sound.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—A telegram from Seattle, Wash., was printed in a New York paper this morning, stating that the people of that state had received the refusal of Blaine to be a candidate with a feeling little short of consternation, and indicated that the republicans would turn their attention towards Alger and work for a delegation in his behalf. It was stated that Leigh Hunt, of the Post-Intelligencer, and John M. McGraw, of Seattle, would form a combination and block any movement for Harrison which Harrison's friends might undertake to inaugurate in Washington. It states further that Alger has bought large tracts of timber lands in Washington, and has large interests in and around Seattle; that he is interested in mining and other enterprises with some of the leading republicans of Puget sound, and that they will see to it that a delegation favorable to Alger is sent to the Minneapolis convention. This dispatch was shown to Senators Allen and Squire and Representative Wilson today. Senator Allen said he did not care to be interviewed on the matter; that he was under the impression that Harrison stood very well in Washington state. Further than that he declined to talk. Senator Squire acknowledged there was a strong feeling in his state for Secretary Blaine, and he knew Alger had some good friends there. Representative Wilson said it had been so long since he had been in Washington and had conferred with any republicans of that state on their presidential preference, that he could not say what the feeling was.

Heavy Rains in California.

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 15.—The sudden downpour caused the Otay watch factory creek to boom and overflow, washing out the railroad track of the National City & Otay road. The water rushed in streams by the station and forced a passage across the wagon road on the main avenue, cutting away the road and obstructing travel for the next. During the week the Tia Juana river has been booming. The footbridge came near being carried away on Saturday, and in consequence of its precarious condition tourists on the National City & Otay were afraid to cross over. The disappointed company has since put the bridge in good repair, and it is now accessible for all to cross the river.

Deplorable Tragedy.

GALLATIN, Tenn., Feb. 13.—A deplorable tragedy is reported from Portland, a small town in the northern portion of the county. Elves Pardue, a well-known young farmer, and his wife were found this morning lying dead on the floor of their bed chamber, with their throats cut from ear to ear. The circumstances are such as to create the belief their deaths are both the result of a suicide. Near Mrs. Pardue was a bloody razor with which the ghastly deed was committed. The fact that the razor lay nearest her led to the conjecture she was the last to use the instrument of death. In fact, this theory is supported by a note said to have been found in the room, written by Mrs. Pardue's hand and signed by her, in which she stated she and her husband had no friends, and as he concluded to commit suicide, she would take her own life rather than live without him. The couple were married only one year.

Killed By Wild Dogs.

WICHITA, Kan., Feb. 15.—John Pratt and his young daughter, who lived near Leonard, Sherman county, were the victims of wild dogs which infest that part of the state. They were returning home yesterday from Leonard when they were set upon by the animals. Their remains, horribly mangled, were found about a mile from home, and the carcasses of several dogs show that a fierce battle was waged before they were overcome.

A Much-Needed Reform.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The house committee on the election of president and vice-president and representatives in congress, today agreed to report a bill leaving the election of senators to the people and conferring the exclusive power on the state legislatures to fix the time, place and manner of holding such elections.

The Lottery Going to Mexico.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—A dispatch from New Orleans says the true secret of the withdrawal of the Louisiana state lottery from the fierce political struggle which has been raging for many months is because the lottery is to go to Mexico. Arrangements are about completed with President Diaz, and the fortress of Chapultepec will be the location of the Louisiana lottery after 1893.

Sarah Althea is Still Missing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—The whereabouts of Mrs. Sarah Althea Terry, who suddenly disappeared on Saturday, is still a mystery, nothing having been heard of her up to noon today. Later dispatch says Mrs. Terry has been found at the home of a colored woman who was her nurse several years ago. She is unmistakably deranged.

At the Bottom of a Well.

LATHROP, Mo., Feb. 15.—Citizens of Lathrop are much excited over a reported gold mine discovery on a place about five miles southwest of this city. Gold was discovered at a considerable depth through the sinking of a well. Sand and gravel taken from the hole assayed to the ton—gold, \$105; silver, \$160.

TO ADMIT WOOL FREE.

Text of the Bill Agreed Upon by the Committee.

COIN FOR THE COLUMBIA RIVER.

The Astoria Protest Seems to Be Heeded Very Little.

ALGER BOOM STARTED IN SEATTLE.

Condition of DeLesseps--Editor Wilcox Elected to Parliament--Cruelty in Russia--Other News.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The majority of the committee on ways and means today agreed upon the full text of the bill prepared by Chairman Springer, to admit wool free of duty, and to reduce the tariff on manufactured woolen goods. It is as follows: "That on and after the first day of January, 1893, the following articles when imported shall be exempt from duty: All wools, hair of the camel, goat, alpaca, and other like animals, and all wool on the skin, all top waste, slubbing waste, roving waste, ring waste, yarn waste, bur waste, rags, noils and flocks, including all waste or rags, composed wholly or in part of wool.

Sec. 2.—That on and after the 1st day of January, 1893, the articles enumerated described, and provided for in the paragraphs hereinafter named, of "an act to reduce the revenue" and equalize duties on imports, and for other purposes, approved October 1, 1890, shall, when imported, be subjected to the duties hereinafter provided and no others: That is to say, upon the articles enumerated in paragraph 394 of said act, the duties shall be 35 per cent ad valorem. Upon the articles enumerated in paragraph 392, the duty shall be 40 per cent ad valorem. Upon the articles enumerated in paragraph 393, the duties fixed therein at 30 per cent ad valorem, shall be reduced to 25 per cent ad valorem; the duties fixed at 35 per cent ad valorem, shall be reduced to 30 per cent ad valorem, and the duties fixed at 40 per cent ad valorem, shall be reduced to 35 per cent ad valorem, and no duty per pound, or per square yard, shall be imposed upon the articles enumerated in said paragraph 394, the duties shall be 35 per cent ad valorem. Upon the articles enumerated in paragraphs 396 and 397 the duties shall be 45 per cent ad valorem. Upon the articles named in paragraphs 399, down to and including paragraph 408, the duties shall be 30 per cent ad valorem, and all imported articles enumerated, described and provided for in said paragraphs respectively, which may be in public store, or in warehouse on the said first day of January, 1893, shall be subjected to the same duties when withdrawn for consumption and no others, as if said articles had been imported on or after said first day of January, and only the ad valorem as herein provided shall hereafter be levied, collected and paid upon the articles mentioned in said paragraphs.

Sec. 3.—That the articles mentioned in paragraph 399 of said act, and likewise all mungo, shoddies, garnetted or carded waste, or other waste product, and of, or both, shall on and after the said 1st day of January, 1893, be subjected to duty of 35 per cent ad valorem. Sec. 4.—That all acts and parts of acts in conflict with the provisions of this act, be and the same are hereby repealed. But this section shall not take effect until the first day of January, 1893.

Nicaragua Canal Convention.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 16.—A movement to stir up the people of California to a realization of the value of the Nicaragua canal to this state was inaugurated recently in Napa City and resulted in the appointment of a committee to issue a call for a convention to be held in this city March 29th next to consider ways and means looking to the early construction of the canal. This committee has formulated an address to the board of supervisors of all counties in the state, calling upon them to send delegates to the proposed convention.

Mexican News.

CITY OF MEXICO, Feb. 16.—President Diaz has received William Curtis, and promised that Mexico should make a creditable exhibit at Chicago. He expressed the hope of improved trade relations between Mexico and the United States. Federal Treasurer Cortes is dead. Showers of ashes have fallen at Jaquilpan.

A Steamship on Fire.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16. The steamship Alesia, from Hamburg, is being towed into port. February 8th fire was discovered in her hold and 128 bales of cotton had to be thrown overboard. The extent of the damage is not known. She is now off Sandy Hook.

Throckmorton and Morrow's Cases.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—Though the verdict of the court-martial in the case of Maj. Charles B. Throckmorton, tried on charges of duplicating his pay accounts, will not be officially announced until the president has formally acted upon the papers, it has become pretty generally known throughout the war department that the sentence is dismissal. It is generally expected the president will mitigate the sentence to two or three years' suspension on half or three-quarters pay. There is something significant that does not appear on the surface in an order issued from the war department today directing Col. A. P. Morrow, Third cavalry, to proceed to his home to await retirement. This order provides a happy escape from a court-martial trial for Col. Morrow. Charges of disobedience or orders were recently preferred against him by Gen. Stanley. The charges against Col. Morrow are based upon certain actions of that officer during the recent Garza campaign. One of the principal charges, constituting disobedience or orders, recites that Col. Morrow issued passes to men of his regiment to pass over the border into Mexico in the face of positive instructions prohibiting such action, issued by Gen. Stanley. Col. Morrow, was tried by court-martial in this city a few years ago on charges of duplicating his pay accounts, and was suspended for three years. He was an aide to Gen. Sheridan for a number of years.

The Mines in California.

RIVERSIDE, Cal. Feb. 17.—The January production of tin at the Temescal tin mines a few miles from Riverside was shipped to Balfour, Guthrie & Co., San Francisco, last Friday. The shipment amounted to 44,311 pounds, and was a very superior grade of tin. The mines are increasing their production steadily, and we understand that some very rich ore has been developed lately that will very materially add to the value of the deposit. New shafts are being sunk, and, when deep enough, drifts will be run from them in different directions if the indications are favorable. Miners are also at work prospecting a ledge recently discovered on the top of the mountain, back of the site of the proposed reduction works. It is evident that there is tin scattered over the estate for several miles.

Florida vs. California.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Feb. 16.—A carload of Florida orange trees were delivered in the very heart of Riverside last week. They are fine trees, and to the casual observer are free from dangerous insect pests, but there has been found upon them a purple scale, young and old. It is absurd that the city and county should be paying many thousands of dollars annually for the inspection of groves and the growers' adding double this amount in money paid for the fumigation of orchards, and yet be unable to prevent the importation of seed to replenish that killed at such a vast expenditure of labor and money. The inspector will, no doubt, take prompt and decisive action in the matter.

Senator Dolph's Bill.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—Senator Dolph today reported his bill for the improvement of the Columbia river, making an elaborate showing why this improvement should be made. About the same time the vice-president laid before the senate a communication from the chamber of commerce of Astoria protesting against the deepening of the Columbia and Willamette rivers from the sea to Portland. This will probably be brought to the attention of the members of the house as well. In fact it has already been placed before the committee on rivers and harbors, but it seems to have had but very little effect. The bill introduced in the senate for the improvement of the Columbia river appropriates \$1,745,800.

More Typhus Cases Arriving.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The steamer Burgundia, from Naples, arrived this morning, bringing eight passengers from southern Russia, left behind by the steamer Massilia. They are detained at quarantine. Nine of the Massilia's passengers, located at Lawrence county, Pennsylvania, although free from typhus, cause great alarm. Precautions are taken against an outbreak of fever. The steamer Sueva arrived from Hamburg last evening, and brought ninety Russians, who are still quarantined, their baggage being thoroughly disinfected.

Morton is Not a Candidate.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—A Philadelphia dispatch says that Vice-President Morton had a talk with President Harrison on Friday last and told him he would not be a candidate again, but, as it would be necessary to have a New York man on the ticket, he suggested Secretary Tracy. This suggestion, it is said, was favorably received by the president.

A Detective Missing.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—Detective James H. Brown of Columbus, O., well known on account of his connection with the Sidney Bell case, is reported missing. He has not been seen by his friends in this city since last Thursday, and they are beginning to feel apprehensive that he has met with foul play.

Lincoln and Salisbury Talk.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—United States Minister Lincoln had a long interview today with Lord Salisbury on the subject of the Behring sea negotiations. No details are obtainable at present.

A BOGUS COMMISSION.

Harrison and Blaine Fooled By Kannecks--No Treaty this Time.

GEN. MILES ON COAST DEFENSES.

Florida Scale in California--Nicaragua Canal Value.

SHOWERS OF ASHES IN MEXICO.

Prince of Wales Coming--So are More Typhus Cases--A Steamship on Fire.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—In the Behring Sea controversy there will be no treaty made by the present administration with the tory government at Ottawa. This is one of the results which is made clear by the masquerades here of the past week, and the cause of reciprocity, which the tory cabinet pretend to have so much at heart, has been apparently seriously injured by the campaign of false pretenses here. It is known that the president and Secretary Blaine are indignant that diplomatic courtesy has again been so audaciously abused as it has been by the Dominion commissioners in coming to Washington to negotiate a treaty when they had no authority whatever to even enter upon the preliminary consideration of that question. When they arrived here it was supposed that they had full authority to conclude an agreement which, if approved by the president and submitted to the senate, would be binding upon the United States and upon the British government. It now appears that they came for the purpose of endeavoring to 'look into the hand of the United States,' and to ascertain, if they could, whether there would be any prospect of reciprocity, even if they could obtain from Great Britain any authority to negotiate a treaty. The president and Secretary Blaine now find that they have twice been used to effect a tory and anti-American purpose in Canada. There are intimations that if the Dominion commissioners do not omit the ordinary courtesy of calling upon the president to take leave, the latter may avail himself of the occasion to announce in a speech to them how much this government feels that it has been trifled with. It is said that Mr. Julian Pannecote, the British minister, is not altogether pleased that he has made the cat's-paw, for the second time, by the Dominion government for purposes of its own, and that he feels very much embarrassed that he should have introduced the Dominion cabinet officers to the secretary of state and the president, knowing that the United States officials presumed at least that the Canadian commissioners had some authority in the premises.

Paris Storm in Europe.

PARIS, Feb. 17.—A storm is raging here since last evening. Traffic is almost at a standstill.

A Very "Mysterious" Burglary.

SAN DIEGO, Feb. 17.—The most mysterious burglary that ever occurred in Escondido took place last Saturday night, when \$1,200 in Mexican silver was taken from the safe in the cashier's office of the Colonization Company. The first known of the theft was when Cashier Narraway opened the safe in the morning and found the interior bare of money. He had put \$1,200 in the safe Saturday and had locked the inner and outer doors with combinations as usual, and yet the money was taken out and the safe doors securely locked as ever. Mr. Narraway carries the only key to the inside door of the safe. As soon as the robbery was discovered the chief of police was notified and a careful examination was made of the office. There was not the least sign of the windows outdoors having been tampered with.

Successful Torpedo Boat.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—A thorough test of the Sims-Edison electric torpedo took place in Portsmouth harbor under the direction of the admiralty, and in the presence of naval attaches of many countries. The test was completely successful and experts admit the torpedo would, if adapted, displace the Brennan torpedo, which is largely the creation of British engineers.

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Mount Etna Disturbed.

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MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 17.—There is an epidemic of incendiary fires here. Every effort is being made to discover the fire-bugs.

Good for Wannamaker.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 17.—It is now regarded as positive that the Reading company has secured absolute control of the Baltimore and Ohio and its numerous branches, and also the New York and New England Railway company. The terms of the agreement, lease, etc., were finally determined upon by the great financiers who have been negotiating the deal at a conference in Philadelphia last night, at which all the necessary papers were signed by the contracting parties. It is the opinion of local financiers that the next announcement will be that it has a transcontinental line to the Pacific.

Better File the Bond.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—On the application of Senator Mitchell, the superintendent of the money order system, postoffice department, has ordered that the postoffice at Myrtle Creek, Douglas county, be placed upon the list of additional money order offices next to be established, and the postmaster at that office will be authorized to commence the issue and payment of money orders and postal notes about April 1st, the beginning of the next quarterly period; provided he shall have filed the required bond.

John Chinaman in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Senator Dolph today reported adversely the Chinese bill introduced by Senator Sherman. He expects in a very short time to call up for consideration in the senate his own Chinese bill, and believes it will go through after a brief discussion. As it extends the present Chinese laws, it cannot be criticized very severely, and gives congress an opportunity to amend the Chinese legislation at some future time, and procrastination is what the average congress levels in.

The Storm in Europe.

VIENNA, Feb. 17.—Terrible snow storms are still raging in Galicia, a province of Austro-Hungary in Silesithania, and the greater part of Austrian Poland. Snow is piled up in immense drifts and traffic on the various railway lines is almost wholly suspended. Wagon roads are also badly blocked.

London, Feb. 17.—It is thought a number of vessels were lost in the recent storms, as a large quantity of wreckage is coming ashore at different points on the coast.

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