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Direct Negotiations on the Main Points, a Joint Commission to Give Form to the Basis of Agreement.

the Alaska Boundary.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.-It is expected that efforts will be renewed before hing for the settlement of the numerous controverstes which have long existed between the United States and Great Britain, growing out of relations along the Canadian border, the Atlantic fisheries, war. ships on the Great Lakes, the Alaska boundary and other questions. Heretofore the negotiations designed to secure a settlement of the matters recited have not proved effective, largely because of the cumbersome machinery of negotiation. and this has ied to a bellef that much more could be accomplished by direct negotiations between Secretary Hay and Lord Pauncefote on the main points and the subsequent assembling of a commission representing the United States, Great Britain and Canada to give form to the basis of agreement rendered.

The British authorities have maintained or some time that when the isthmian canal treaty is once disposed of there will be a renewal of the efforts to ad-just the Alaska boundary and other pending questions, the canal treaty being re-garded as one of many pending issues. Now that the British Government has vielded the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and ther points in the isthmian negotiatio t desires to take up some of the other uestions in which it has important in-erests involved.

Lord Pauncefote desires to clear up all ending differences and have "a clean late" before his present term as Ambassador comes to a close. When he came to Washington there were four issues be-tween the two governments. The first of these was the Behring Sea question, which had reached an acute stage. The diplo-mats disposed of this question. The next was over Venezuela, which, like the seal question, at one time threatened war. But the efforts of diplomacy were again successful in averting trouble and bringing about a settlement. The third important ssue was on the isthmian canal, which has been satisfactorily disposed of by the recent Hay-Pauncefote treaty. This leaves only one issue remaining in order to bring about "a clean slate," namely, the bagdor controversy, both as to Can-ada and Anaka. The Stritish officials usu-ling the bagdor control boundary controally link these various boundary contro-versies together, as they are more or less connected.

At present a modus vivendi exists as to the Alaska boundary question, chiefly for the purpose of avoiding a clash along the border and holding each side in check until a final boundary is determined upon. It seems to be conceded on both sides that the modus cannot be carried on inlefinitely and that sooner or later the question of establishing a permanent



J. D. Pennington, Wymore, Neb., secre-tary. The committees are holding long and animated sessions. Their principal trouble is alleged to come from the brakemen, who are dissatisfied with the present schedule.

### Federation of Brotherhoods.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 29.-The employes of the Wyoming, division of the Lehigh Valley Railroad have started a movement for the federation of the Broth erhoods of Engineers, Firemen, Conduct-ors, Trainmen, Switchmen and Telegraph Operators, which they expect to extend along the entire line from New York to Buffalo. A joint meeting of delegator Buffalo. A joint meeting of delegates from all the brotherhoods was held at Pittston this afternoon, and, after a gen-eral discussion, a committee was appoint-ed to arrange the preliminaries for the federation.

### May Be Fleischman.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29 .- Attempts to establish the identity of a man who was found in Pullman with his throat cut last Monday morning have led the police to believe that the suicide may be Henry J. Fielschman, the absconding cashier of

Farmers and Merchants Bank, of Los Angeles, Cal., who disappeared De-cember 7 with \$100,000 of the bank's money. The description of the dead man indery. With that of Fleischman in every respect exceptions, the age. Persons who have viewed the body believe that it is of a man between 25 and 30 years old. Fleischman is known to be near 40.

# Chicago Apartment Building Burned.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.--A Christmas tree loaded with inflammable ornaments and candles caused a fire tonight that destroyed the Alexander apartment building, a six-story structure, corner of Bowen avenue and Cottage Grove avenue. The los will exceed \$100,000.

souri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Wyoming, Owing to the disputed question as to whether Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Texas and Eastern New Mexico formed a

part of the Louisiana Purchase, these states were omitted pending further investigation. The constitution provides an eligibility

The constitution provides an engloppy list, of prominent Spanish, French and American explorers in the purchase ter-ritory; also those distinguished in the Army, Navy and civil life of the purchase states and territories from 1800 to 1900. The National Commissioner and his sec-retary, President Pavid R. Francis and his cabinet, the vice-presidents, treasurer, general counsel and secretary for the Louisiana Purchase World's Fair at St. dent. ouls, together with the Co from the purchase states and territorics to this fair, are included in the eligibility list. The charter members are all Colo-radoans, and include: Dr. Clayton Park-hill, Frank E. Carstarphen, I. N. Stevens, Thomas I. Orbert

Thomas J. O'Donnell, F. W. Lovet, Her bert Belford, G. C. Bartels, W. V. Elliott Eillott Arthur Bertels and Will C. Ferril, Lineal male descendants of those who performed the services outlined in the constitution of the order are eligible to membership.

## A Pro-Beer Meeting.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 2 .- Two thousand people attended a pro-Boer meeting here today, and resolutions urging England to invite the President of the United to invite States and the ruler of Denmark to act as arbitrators in the settlement of the war were adopted. The resolutions were cabled to London. Addresses were made by David Overmeyer, General J. K. Hudn, and others,

# Funeral of the Celery King.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 29.-The body of David Everett Smeltzer, the California celery king, arrived from Los Angeles today, and the funeral will take place tomorrow.

f the injured, speaking of the accident, said:

"I was asleep in my berth when the crash came, and a moment later found myself underneath a pile of wreckage on the track. I was in my night clothes, and first coment dimension distributions and starts and sta after great difficulty found a way out and crawled on to a snow bank. The car caught fire, but I had time to crawl back where I saw my valise lying, and got it and dressed myself in the snow. The inhabitants of the village turned out at once and began the work of rescue, hauling passengers out through the wreckage and fighting the fire which spread rapidly all over the piled up tracks." The railroad officials will hold an investigation tomorrow in an effort to find out who was responsible for the acci-

## LANDSLIDE CAUSED WRECK.

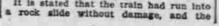
## our Lives Lost in an Accident on the Chesapeake & Ohio.

LYNCHBURG, Va., Dec. 29 .- A landon the Chesapcake & Ohio Railroad, near Reusen Station, five miles south of Lynchburg, on the James River branch, today caused a wreck in which four men were killed and several persons injured, but none of them seriously. The dead

CONDUCTOR C. WHITTAKER. ENGINEER GEORGE FISHER. BAGGAGEMAN THOMPSON. EXPRESS MESSENGER SHANNON. A man named Baker, a machinist from lifton Forge, Va., is missing.

Several passengers from the scene of the wreck say that probably one or two passengers are burled under the debris caused by the slide, but no names can be ascertained of any passengers known to be missing. The train to which the mis-hap occurred was known as No. 7 it have

hap occurred was known as No. 7. It left Lynchburg behind schedule time, and consisted of an engine, tender, baggage car and one passenger car, which was pretty well filled with travelers. It is stated that the train had run into



The Lewis and Clark Journey of Exploration. Portland's Financial Strength. Portland's Commercial Supremacy. Magnitude of Portland's Export Trade. The Great Valley of the Columbia River. Every Resource of the Pacific Northwest. These are the subjects that will be fully covered in the big paper that will be published on Wednesday morning next. Orders for extra copies of the annual number should be sent to The Oregonian at once. 

> nize and appreciate what has been done, and that their leaders are doing all in tion. Concluding, Governor Wright said the natives inhabiting the Island of Samar

will report to the commission on the con ditions existing there, and particularly in the Province of Misamis, Mindoro, which

One hundred persons were drowned by a water spout in Morocco. Page 3.

The Chinese court will soon return to Pekin. Page 3.

England's coal supply may not outlast the century. Page 3.

Report of the committee on water transporta-tion of the Pan-American congress. Page 2. Domestic.

## The Alaska boundary question will be taken

up soon. Page 1. Four persons were killed and 18 injured in a wreck on the Northwestern. Page 1. The fight for control of the Legislature is ex-

tending throughout Ohio. Page 2. Pacific Coast.

department store at Victoria burned; loss,

\$250,000. Page 6. There is a scramble for office in Washington.

Page 6. Interesting papers were read at the Farmers Institute at Union. Page 6.

A woman was brutally murdered by her para-mour at Stockton. Page 2. More disasters are reported on the Vancouver Island coast. Page 2.

Sport. Portland Hunt Club prepares for New Year's day paper chase. Page 3.

Local athletes question good of A. A. U. Page 3.

Manager Jack Grim signs Joe Fay for Spo-kane. Page 3. Multnomah practices for New Year's game with Reliance. Page 3.

Portland and Vicinity. Ex-State Senator Henry C. Cooper, of Gray's

Harbor, Wash., drops dead. Page 10 Hobos begin work on rock pile today. Page 5. Judge John F. Caples is elected president of South Portland Improvement Association.

Page 10. Calvary Presbyterian Church gives \$350 for home missionary for Eastern Oregon Anarchist on Raat Side prophesies McKinley's

fate for President Roosevelt. Page 5. Methodist ministers divided over admission of women to general conference. Page 8. Dr. J. D/ Fenton compares European and American Page 10. ican progress in surgery and medicine.

boundary must be settled, Lord Lans-downe's desire to take up the question was expressed clearly in his note to Secretary Hay last Spring, when the British Government declined to accept the enate amendment to the first Hay-Pauncefote treaty. Recently Lord Lansdowne again has expressed in speeches the need of taking up the Alaska bound-ary question. These declarations by the head of the British foreign service, together with the well-known wish of Lord Pauncefote to clear away all pending differences between the two countries, doubtless will lead to the formal exchanges necessary to an adjustment. Just what steps will be adopted are not disclosed, but it seems likely that direct negotiations and the subsequent assemblage of nission will commend itself to the parties concerned as the most favorable rocedure. The border issues outside of that re-

lating to Alaska are those which long have existed and have created more or less friction. The joint high commission, which assembled some time ago, practially disposed of these lesser issues, but the deadlock on Alaska prevented the treaty covering these and other points of agreement. With the disposal of the Alaska boundary, therefore, it is felt that the way will be clear to dispose of the controversies. The reciprocity question, which is among those formerly considered, is not likely to be taken up in this connection, as Canada desires to make it the subject of separate negotiation. The Atlantic fisheries question also may be the subject of separate negotiations.

The Danish Antilles.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.-There have been no recent developments in the matter of the proposed sale of the Danish West Indies to this Government, negotiations for which at various times have been carried on between the United States and the Danish Government. The United States has defined its position very clerly on the terms on which it will purchase the islands, but, apparently, through the inability of the Danish Government to reach a determination to close the deal, the negotiations so far have failed of conclusion. If any request looking to an arrangement for a plebiscite is in con-templation by the Copenhagen Govern-ment, its wishes in this respect have not yet been communicated to the State De-

### Will Testify Against Neely.

partment.

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CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 29.-Postoffice Inspectors Holmes and Fletcher left today for Havana, where they will be wit-nesses on behalf of the Government in the Neely prosedution. The case is set for trial January 4. The testimony of Inspectors Holmes and Fletcher is largely relied on by the prosecution to secure the con-viction of Neely, as much of the evidence which caused his arrest was procured from the Cincinnati division. Muncie, Ind., the home of Neely, is in the Cincinnati division, and a large amount of the \$152. 000, which he is charged with having em-bezzled, was traced by Inspectors Holmes and Fletcher to a certain bank.

## President of Olympian Games.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.-In a communi-cation to Baron Coubertin, president of the Olympian games, to be held in Chi-cago in 1964, President Rooseveit has indicated that it will not be possible for him to preside on that occasion, as it had been hoped he would. The President takes the keenest interest in the contests which are to be the features of the games, and so expresses himself to Baron Coubertin, but regrets that for various reasons it will be impracticable for him to preside,

the inventor of wireless telegraphy, ar-rived here today. He is en route to Ottawa, where he is going to consult the Canadian Government and to thank the officials for the assistance given him.

Pinzon is expected here shortly with 500 men from Baranquilla. She will return immediately to bring more men from that port. General Carlos Alban is confident that the Colombian Government is able to defeat the revolutionists, notwithstand-

29.-The Colombian gunboat Boyaca left planted. These same conditions apply to

22.—The Colombian gunboat Boyaca left planted. These same conditions apply to Panama early this morning, carrying the larger part of Southern Lunon," troops to reinforce General Castro in the interior. The Colombian gunboat General that the majority of the Filipinos recog-

their power to bring the remaining insurgents to a peaceful view of the situa

have during all their history been an un-manageable race, and he is not surprised

manageable race, and he is not surprised at their present hostility. Major Henry Allen, formerly Governor of the Island of Leyte, and who was chosen Chief of the Insular Constabu-lary, has left Manila for a tour through the Islands of Leyte and Mindoro. He will report to the commission on the con-

ing the help he alleges they have received

from Salvador. Marconi at Montreal. MONTREAL, Dec. 29.-Signor Marconi,