

STEAMERS IN COLLISION

SERIOUS ACCIDENT OFF SAN FRANCISCO.

Misunderstanding of Signals Resulted in Damage to the San Pedro and the Noyo.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—The steamers San Pedro and Noyo collided a short distance off port last night, through the misunderstanding of signals, and both vessels were badly damaged. The San Pedro, which sailed from Eureka April 17 with a cargo of lumber and shingles, had been carried away, and was cut below the water line. The vessel started to sink, and 12,000 shingles had to be jettisoned to save the vessel from sinking. The Noyo had her stern carried away, and was badly stove in on the starboard bow. The San Pedro was taken in tow by the Noyo, and is now on the Mission Flats. The Noyo left this port last night for Port Bragg.

BOY SAILOR BALKS AT THE LAST.

Taken From Ship Barmbeck by Habeas Corpus Proceedings.

ASTORIA, Or., April 18.—Earl Myers, a sailor on the German ship Barmbeck, was brought ashore by Sheriff Linnville today on a writ of habeas corpus, issued by Judge McBride, of the Circuit Court, on a petition filed by R. G. Prall, representing J. P. Myers, father of the boy, and who lives in Michigan. Earl Myers signed as an able seaman on the vessel while she was in Portland, but afterward changed his mind, on account of ill health, and did not want to make the trip. The petition filed in court alleged that the contract which he signed with the ship was illegal, as Myers is a minor, being only 17 years of age; that he was being detained on board illegally by the master, and that Captain Hanson was attempting to compel a minor citizen of the United States to leave the country on a foreign-bound vessel, contrary to the laws of the United States and against the will or consent of said minor, or his parents or guardians. This afternoon the boy was brought before Judge McBride, who after hearing the testimony of the boy released him. He will be sent to his home. Captain Hanson made no contest in the case.

Wreck Report on Wilavie.

A wreck report of the little steamer Wilavie, owned by Milton Smith, of Rainier, was filed in the custom-house today. It gives the cause of the fire on board the steamer as "a defective flue," and says the vessel was damaged to the extent of \$10,000. The vessel was on a patrol boat during the closed fishing season, and caught fire while lying at the wharf in Rainier. At the time the report was sent out that the steamer was set on fire by some persons who were engaged in illegal fishing, but investigation showed that it was accidental.

Inspectors Expected Monday.

Government inspectors of Hulls and Bottoms are expected here tomorrow in the city next Monday, to inspect the tug Walula and R. Miller.

SIX NEW VESSEL CHARTERS.

Five for New Crop and One for Immediate Loading.

Six vessel charters were reported in Portland yesterday, of which one is for immediate loading and the other five for the new grain crop. The rate for immediate loading is \$25 50, and for new-crop loading \$30.

The British bark Brunel, 135 tons, which arrived from Newcastle, N. S. W., March 31, with a cargo of coal, was secured by Kerr, Gifford & Co., and she will have her cargo discharged and be ready for grain in about two weeks. She will carry about 100,000 bushels of wheat.

The new-crop charters reported are the

German ship Floetbeck, of 181 tons, now on her way from Newcastle, N. S. W., to Algeira Bay, Africa; the British bark Tasma, 283 tons, about to leave London for San Diego; the German ship Noron, 374 tons, now on her way from Philadelphia to Nagasaki, Japan; the British ship Forrest Hall, 199 tons, now on her way from New York to Hong Kong.

Reorganization of Holland-American

ROTTERDAM, April 18.—At a meeting here today of the shareholders of the Holland-American Steamship Company it was decided to increase the capital of the concern from \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000. Harlin A. Wolf, the Belfast shipbuilder, representing an association composed of several lines interested in trans-Atlantic traffic, will participate in the reorganization. Several lines to the extent of \$500,000 (totaling \$2,000,000).

LONDON, April 18.—The Daily Telegraph this morning announces that prolonged negotiations have resulted in a new combination among the steamship lines involving no change in officials, and little change in management. The lines involved are the White Star, the Dominion, the Leyland, the Atlantic Transport, the American and the Red Star lines. The joint control of the amalgamated companies, says the Daily Telegraph, will be practically in the hands of the same men who guide their separate destinies, the intention being to reduce working expenses, to avoid ruinous competition and to secure harmonious relations with the great American railways.

Towing Companies to Merge.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Plans are being made to merge the various towing companies doing business in New York harbor into one company. Several lines are said to have given options good until May 15. The capital involved is \$5,000,000, and the fleet of tugs controlled will aggregate 300.

Rates to Australia Restored.

NEW YORK, April 18.—A freight agreement has been reached between four of the lines plying from this port to Australia, and the cutting of rates has been stopped. The Tyler line announces that hereafter its steamship will be sent out monthly for Australia and New Zealand ports. The first steamship on this regular schedule will sail on April 20.

British Accept One Submarine Boat.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The Holland Submarine Boat Company has been notified by the British Admiralty that one of its submarine torpedo boats has been accepted by the British Navy.

Marine Notes.

The United States transport Seward, which recently left Portland for Puget Sound, is being remodeled into a refrigerator ship.

The steamer Chilco, which obtained considerable

notoriety under the name of the Alice Blanchard, a few years ago, is taking on 90 tons of slag from the Portland rolling mills for the Ironside iron smelter, near Port Townsend.

Domestic and Foreign Ports.

ASTORIA, April 18.—Sailed at 9 A. M.—Steamer Columbia and Lakonia, for San Francisco. Arrived from 8:40 A. M.—German steamer Theodore Wille. Condition of the bar at 4 P. M., rough; wind southwest; weather cloudy.

San Francisco Inmate in Paris.

PARIS, April 18.—The Matin says this morning that a San Francisco man named Elie Velas suddenly became insane and was taken in charge by the police yesterday while attempting to climb the scaffolding of a high building on the Boulevard Willette. A large sum of money in gold and notes was found in Velas' pockets. He was committed to a hospital by the police.

Her Son's Life Saved by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and

Diarrhoea Remedy.

"A neighbor ran in with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, and was given up as beyond hope by my regular physician. After administering three doses of it my son regained consciousness and recovered entirely within 24 hours. My wife, Mrs. Haller, of Mt. Crawford, Va. This remedy is for sale by all druggists."

TRADE IS MORE ACTIVE

GREATER PRESSURE ON FACTORIES FOR PROMPT SHIPMENTS.

Good Weather Facilitates Agricultural Work and Building Operations—Review of the Week.

NEW YORK, April 18.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: Weather conditions have been potent for good during the past week. Retail trade has been greatly accelerated, and brought more pressure on manufacturers for prompt shipment; agricultural work was facilitated, and building operations have been rapid. The general trade has increased in the interior, as the condition of country roads improved, which made collections better. Some labor controversies were settled, and others were averted. Complaints are still being received regarding delivery, but freight is less congested, and business has increased to the extent

cents, a result which was not realized: of increased cost in mining expenses over former years, and because of the expenditure of \$43,000 in the construction of a new stamp mill and sinking equipment of new shafts, which have practically made a new mine. The committee recommends that hereafter the annual reports shall give fuller details of the items, of the receipts, expenditures, assets and liabilities, instead of general statements, which, although accurate, do not give sufficient information; that at all times the management shall freely give to the stockholders all information which is not absolutely inconsistent with the interests of the company; that the accounts shall be audited annually and that in view of the present condition of the company, the expenses of the management be reduced wherever possible.

A statement of the assets and liabilities presented by the company show cash at Boston, \$48,367, and copper on hand of an estimated value of \$70,000. The total liabilities are \$1,567,212. Of this amount, \$332,538 is due to the United States Metals Selling Company.

Cotton Exchange's By-Laws.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Various amendments to the by-laws of the Cotton Exchange, recently announced, have been adopted. Among them is one providing

Clearings	Inc.	Dec.
Houston**	11,972,000	68.3
Galveston**	5,310,000	29.4
Columbus, O.**	7,847,000	29.4
Wilmington	74,000	9.2
Wilmington	804,000	...
Beaumont	547,000	...
Totals U. S.	\$2,541,841,709	10.7
Totals U. S.	\$38,038,119	2.0

CANADA.

Clearings	Inc.	Dec.
Montreal	28,340,475	44.9
Toronto	19,787,594	59.7
Winnipeg	3,146,355	99.6
Halifax	1,802,670	14.6
Vancouver, B. C.	850,201	1.6
Hamilton	854,079	...
St. John, N. B.	782,909	6.9
Victoria	881,000	...
Quebec	1,045,473	...
Ottawa	1,834,114	...
Totals, Canada	\$4,168,582	47.0

*Not included in totals because of no comparison for last year. **Not included in totals because containing other items than clearings.

American Bank in London.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The International Banking Company of the United States will shortly begin operations here, says a London despatch to the Tribune, with an office at Bishopsgate Station.

MAKING GOOD PROGRESS.

Trip of St. Louis Fair Men Through Pacific States.

ST. LOUIS, April 18.—Frederic W. Taylor, chief of the department of agriculture, who is traveling with C. M. Reeves, secretary of the committee on legislation and territorial exhibits, writes from Portland, Or., under date of April 14, that good progress has been made during their trip through the Pacific Coast States. They will soon start eastward, making several stops in Idaho, Utah and Wyoming. They are much pleased at the interest shown and the efforts made to have them meet important men and organizations.

Santos-Dumont Goes to St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, April 18.—According to information received here today, M. Santos-Dumont left Washington this morning and will reach St. Louis tomorrow afternoon. Willard A. Smith, chief of transportation and exhibits of the Louisiana Purchase Exhibition, who, as the representative of the Exposition Company, met M. Santos-Dumont in New York, returned to St. Louis today and at once set about making preparations for the work in which the great Brazilian aeronaut is to be employed for the benefit of the Exposition Company.

An effort is being made by the exposition officials to induce Professor S. H. Langley, of the Smithsonian Institution at Washington, D. C., to accompany M. Santos-Dumont and members of the world's fair staff to St. Louis for the conference which is to be held Monday. This conference will be held, if possible, the occasion for defining the rules and regulations of the aerial tournament. The mass of correspondence which has been received at headquarters on this subject, most of which has been in the form of questions relative to the tournament, has made it highly important that definite plans should be published without delay.

Dewey Invited to Denver.

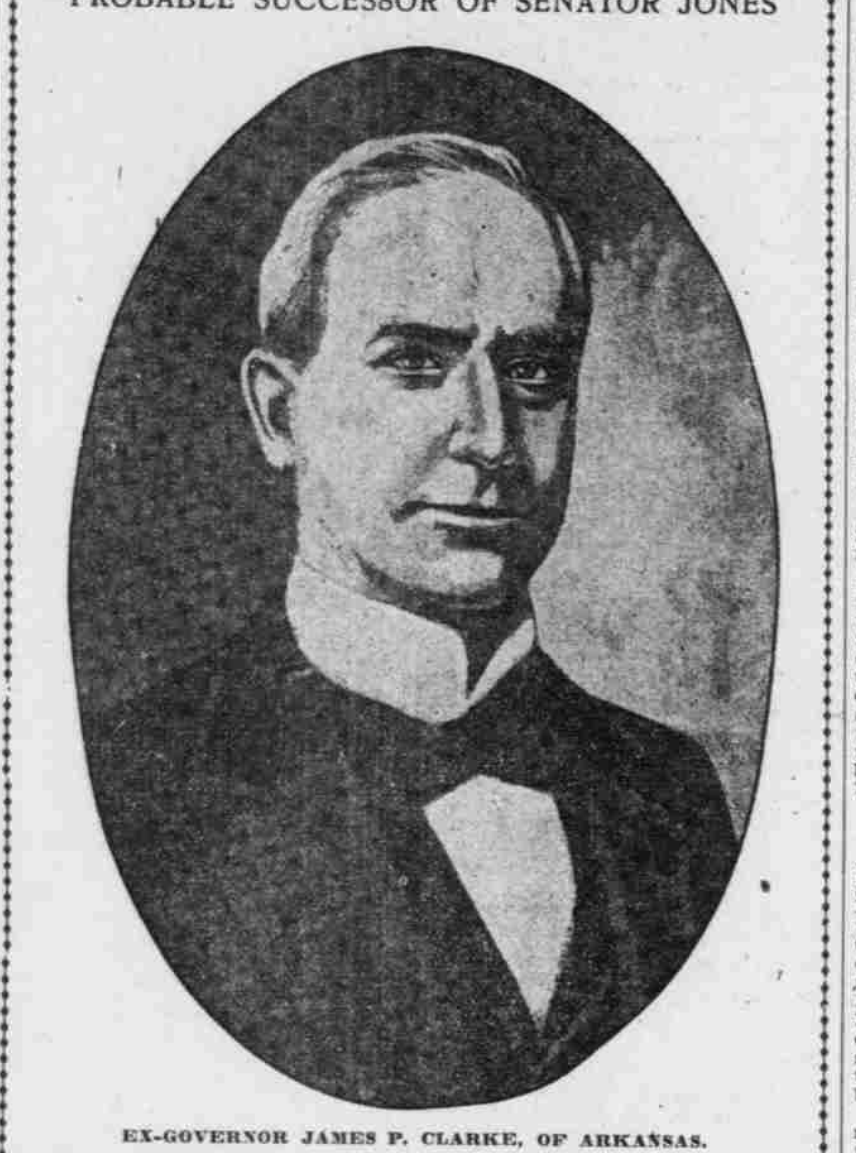
DENVER, April 18.—Admiral Dewey has been invited to come to Denver and be a guest of honor at a banquet which the First Regiment, Colorado National Guard, will give to General Frederick Funston, Commander of the Department of the Colorado, at the Windsor Hotel, on May 1, the anniversary of the Battle of Manila Bay. The invitation was sent to Admiral Dewey yesterday by Colonel Verdeckberg, of the First Regiment, and Captain Elliott, of Company E, both of whom are on the committee which has charge of the banquet and reception.

Letters have been written the Colorado representatives in Washington requesting them to call upon Admiral Dewey and urge him to accept the invitation.

Tried for Mistrusting Horses.

VANCOUVER, Wash., April 18.—Jeff Keyser, who malingered between Vancouver and Amboy, was convicted last night of starving and otherwise mistreating a horse used in carrying the mail. A fine of \$6 and costs was imposed by the Justice. The arrest was made at the instance of the Clark County Humane Society. John Johnson, Keyser's driver, was given a hearing on a similar charge today, and fined \$10 and costs.

PROBABLE SUCCESSOR OF SENATOR JONES



EX-GOVERNOR JAMES P. CLARKE, OF ARKANSAS.

EX-GOVERNOR James P. Clarke, who has defeated Senator Jones for re-election in the Arkansas primaries, and who will probably succeed him in the United States Senate, is a native of Mississippi, having been born in Yazoo City, in 1854. He was educated in the public schools, and is a graduate of the law school of the University of Virginia. He began the practice of law at Helena, Ark., and was elected to the Legislature, serving successively in the lower house and State Senate. He became President of the Senate, and in 1902 was elected Attorney-General. In 1904 he was elected Governor, serving two years, declining re-election. Since his retirement he has resided at Little Rock, and is a member of the Democratic National Committee.

of 6.5 per cent. Railway earnings for

this year, far, are larger than last year, and 12.5 per cent over 1900. Quotations of iron and steel cannot yet be considered inflated, but the market is following natural course, despite the efforts of leading interests to maintain a conservative position.

Woolen goods are in urgent demand, purchasers having secured most of the stock which the American company was unable to furnish, owing to the strike. Footwear shipments from Boston have decreased, but jobbers are placing orders for fall and the shops are well equipped. Grain and meats have advanced very strongly.

Wheat was sustained by exports from all ports of 4,683,325 bushels, four included, against 4,632 bushels a year ago. Sugar and coffee have been notably weak, the latter falling to within a sixteenth of the bottom record.

Failures for the week numbered 361 in

the United States against 306 last year, and 24 in Canada against 21 a year ago.

CATTLE AND HOG PRICES UP.

Highest at Chicago in Years, With

Receipts the Smallest.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Weather conditions have operated irregularly affecting prices of staples on the exchange and have distributed the merchandise through regular channels, but not in all cases, however, unfavorably.

Continued low temperatures and dry weather have lessened confidence in a bumper yield of winter wheat, and given the crop-killers an opportunity, as shown in higher prices for all cereals. Prices of provisions of all kinds, particularly beef, hog products and butter, have been advanced ostensibly because of reduced receipts. Cattle and hog prices at Chicago are the highest reached in years, and receipts are the smallest.

Like the present activity in building is recalled for at least a decade past, and lumber and kindred materials are active at most markets. It has been a weaker market for the cereals, with the general tendency upward on poor crop reports and light receipts. The imposition of the export duties by the British Government had only a momentary effect here.

Production and consumption of iron and steel are apparently at the maximum.

Wheat, including flour, exports for the week aggregate 4,118,198 bushels, against 3,842,013 bushels last week, and 5,308,217 bushels in this week last year. Wheat, July 1, 1901, to date, 42 weeks, aggregate 29,806,979 bushels, against 169,322,555 bushels last season.

Business failures in the United States numbered 361 against 306 last week, 212 in this week last year, and 24 in 1900. In Canada, for the week, failures aggregated 20, against 160 last week, and 23 in this week a year ago.

DUE TO BAD JUDGMENT.

Reason for Present State of Affairs

of Osceola Mining Company.

BOSTON, April 18.—"Bad judgment in selling copper on the part of the present management of the Osceola Mining Company," is the finding of the committee appointed by the stockholders to investigate the affairs of the concern at the recent annual meeting. In other respects, the management is declared to have been efficient and the affairs of the company to have been honestly conducted.

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Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended April 17, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

Clearings	Inc.	Dec.
New York	\$1,121,000	19.5
Chicago	171,400	1.5
Boston	140,411	20.2
Philadelphia	115,900	1.4
St. Louis	67,200	26.1
Pittsburg	45,000	9.9
Baltimore	29,000	16.5
San Francisco	29,000	18.1
Cincinnati	22,000	16.5
Kansas City	20,000	17.4
Cleveland	16,011	24.0
Minneapolis	15,169	1.4
New Orleans	13,804	19.3
Portland	10,000	2.8
Indianapolis	10,211	3.0
Evansville	18,181	34.4
St. Paul	17,000	1.7
Omaha	7,450	18.1
Buffalo	6,714	16.3
St. Paul	4,840	11.6
St. Joseph	4,700	7.1
Denver	4,670	3.9
Richmond	4,800	18.0
Savannah	3,270	1.5
St. Louis	3,120	41.1
Albany	2,900	12.1
Los Angeles	4,300	...
Memphis	2,900	7.9
Portland	3,222	38.4
Seattle	3,940	45.2
Hartford	2,800	10.2
Peoria	2,800	10.2
Portland, Or.	2,840	34.2
Rochester	2,611	...
Albany	2,100	...
Des Moines	2,100	29.2
Worcester	1,254	11.9
Nashville	1,710	13.8
Birmingham	1,200	...
Norfolk	1,570	15.8
Scranton	1,171	13.4
Portland, Me.	1,402	7.2
Syracuse	1,200	...
Augusta	1,211	...
Syracuse	1,105	...
Albany, Or.	1,228	17.9
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Tampa	1,428	34.4
Davenport	1,035	32.4
Wilmington, Del.	1,181	...
Evansville	800	17.1
Portland, Me.	1,018	...
Park River	1,045	21.0
Marion	567	...
Albany	1,045	...
Helena	498	...
Knoxville	701	28.0
Little Rock	270	...
Akron	845	19.6
Springfield, Ill.	610	31.4
Lexington	601	7.5
New Bedford	520	...
Hattanooga	534	28.8
Youngstown	400	...
Kalamazoo	400	10.9
Pargo	327	22.9
Spartanburg	400	...
Rockford	475	30.1
Springfield, Mo.	400	...
Springfield, O.	400	...
Quincy	314	...
Wilmington	215	...
Sioux Falls	210	...
Jacksonville, Ill.	290	...
Yonkers	125	...

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