

CONCHA IS RECALLED

Obstacle to Panama Canal Treaty Removed.

COLOMBIA READY FOR ACTION

Minister Who Delayed Matters to Be Succeeded by Man Who Will Get Down to Business—He Has Power to Negotiate.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Senator Concha has been relieved as Minister for Colombia by orders from Bogotá, and it is believed that Dr. Thomas Herran, the present Secretary of Legation here, will be accredited as Minister to succeed Senator Concha in the course of a few days. Meanwhile, Dr. Herran has been clothed by his government with full authority to prosecute the negotiations looking to canal treaty, with considerably enlarged powers.

Minister Concha having stood fast against strong representations from his



SENATOR CONCHA.

own government favoring a treaty, the latter decided to place the further negotiations in the hands of Dr. Herran. It is of course, assumed from this change that the chances of the treaty have been bettered.

It is believed that the question of sovereignty which has thus far held up the negotiation of a treaty is in a fair way to be settled between Colombia's new representative and Secretary Hay. The appointment of Dr. Herran as Minister will be awaited with interest in Washington. There is no doubt that the State Department will give its cordial assent to the succession of Dr. Herran as Minister.

Dr. Herran called at the State Department today and acquainted Acting Secretary Hill with the facts in the case. The department's statement of the matter is that Minister Concha leaves for New York for the sake of his health and for private reasons; that Dr. Herran is charged with affairs ad interim and that he has been empowered by the Minister to conduct further negotiations of the canal treaty. This statement does not change the expectation here that in the end Dr. Herran is to be made Minister.

SURE NICARAGUA WILL WIN.

Senator Morgan Confident Negotiations With Colombia Will Fail.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Dec. 1.—Senator Morgan, of Alabama, the father of the Nicaragua Canal bill, was asked today what he thought of the canal outlook.

"The chances for the Nicaragua Canal were never brighter at any time in the past three years than they are today," was his reply.

The Senator is confident that negotiations with Colombia will fail and that as a last resort the President will be forced to recommend the Nicaragua route.

TO PAY FOR ARBITRATION

Bill to appropriate \$50,000 for Coal Strike Commission.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Representative Cannon today introduced a bill appropriating \$50,000 to defray the expenses of the Anthracite Coal Strike Commission appointed by the President. The bill was referred to the committee on appropriations.

STREET-CAR MEN STRIKE.

They Demand Higher Wages and Leave People to Wade in Mud.

HOUSTON, Tex., Dec. 1.—At a meeting of the street-car workmen this morning it was resolved to go on strike as the result of the refusal of the Houston Electric Company to grant an increase in wages from 19 to 24 cents an hour and recognition of the union. No cars are running this morning. One hundred and thirty-five motormen and conductors are out. General Manager Payne asked for two weeks' time in which to consult his principals, but this was denied, on the ground that he had had ample opportunity.

The streets are in awful shape after a rainy spell, and the cars were the only means of transportation.

CHINESE LAW DENOUNCED.

Officer of Seamen's Union Declares Against Allen Law.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 1.—At the convention of the International Seamen's Union today Secretary-Treasurer Frazier, of Boston, in his report specifically denounced the Chinese exclusion act and the alien bill, designed to bring back the old law providing for the imprisonment of seamen who leave their ships before the expiration of their contracts.

Convention of Seamen's Union.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 1.—The annual convention of the International Seamen's Union opened in this city today. E. W. Clark, who has been in prison at Thomsen, Me., for 20 years, convicted of mutiny, sent a signal to be used by the presiding officer. Accompanying the gift was a touching letter asking the convention to seek a pardon in his behalf. There are 22 delegates present, six of whom are from the Pacific Coast.

Switchmen's Wages Raised.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 1.—Beginning today, the wages of switchmen of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern and of the Big Four Railroads were increased to the Chicago scale. The new scale makes an increase of 3 cents an hour and a reduction of two hours in a day's work.

The Children's Favorite.

One of the greatest difficulties encountered when children are ill is the objection they have to taking medicine. The remedy must be pleasant or the patience of the parent is exhausted before it is successfully administered. Mr. G. G. Wagner, of Spring Grove, Pa., overcomes this annoyance by using Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He says his little boy always asks for it whenever he catches cold. This remedy has become the children's favorite, as it is pleasant to take and it always cures and cures quickly. For sale by all druggists.

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All the best Toy places in the world have been ransacked in order to secure the very nicest toys in the greatest possible variety. And they are all here now. Useful toys and amusing ones, mechanical toys, wagons for big and for little boys, doll carriages for any size doll, cradles, doll dinner sets in china and pewter, doll's furniture and children's furniture, musical toys, tops, balls and rattles of all sorts, blocks and games till you get tired counting. Come in and see them.

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Ladies' Vests and Pants

Excellent winter weight, wool plaid, color silver gray, vests finished at neck with silk and ribbon, were 65c per garment, now 49c

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High neck, long sleeves, ankle length. Reduced this week from 75c to 49c

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Warm and comfortable, for winter wearing, Jersey ribbed with long sleeves. Regular selling price 35c, sale price 25c

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Natural wool, sizes 28, 30, 32 and 34. Value, each, 85c, special 60c

Christmas Dolls

Regular Santa Claus masterpieces, every one of them. The most winsome collection of little dimpled, smiling darlings, with soft real curls that can be found. Come and see them in our Millinery Department.

Special Sale Ladies' Petticoats

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Impressive Black Moire Velours

Very handsome qualities that make rich and effective garments. Following are reductions: \$1.00 grade for 71c per yard 1.25 grade for 98c per yard

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All the new, pretty shapes, in silk velvet trimmed with fur, lace or ribbon. Values from \$3.00 up, at half price.

Great Special Sale French Waistings

A beautiful lot of the finest French waistings, in Persian patterns, of rich, warm coloring. Value, per yard, 75c and 85c, special this week 58c

Extraordinary Sale Dinner and Tom and Jerry Sets

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CASTRO TAKES WATER

TRIES TO HEAD OFF GERMAN AND ENGLISH ACTION.

Allows German Claim, but Kaiser's Fleet Will Visit Venezuela Just the Same.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—President Castro, of Venezuela, handed, probably on Thursday last, to the German Minister at Caracas, a written acceptance of part of Germany's claims, sufficiently comprehensive to delay the presentation of a joint ultimatum by Germany and Great Britain, if not rendering it altogether unnecessary. It is also understood that Great Britain's demand will be satisfied.

Foreign Secretary von Richthofen and the British Foreign Secretary, Lord Lansdowne, are now in correspondence over Venezuela's change of front. This government considers that a peaceful settlement of the questions in dispute is quite probable, and attributes President Castro's yielding to the fact that he has become aware that the United States would not intervene as an obstacle to the collection of the claims of Germany and Great Britain.

President Castro tried by every means to keep Great Britain and Germany apart in discussing the settlements, intimating or promising first one thing and then another. Germany, having entered into a general agreement with Great Britain to exact a settlement jointly, will not make a separate agreement. Consequently, the two powers may yet conclude it necessary to disregard President Castro's qualified offers and present an ultimatum to Venezuela.

The German cruisers Amazon, Ariadne and Niobe continue sitting out at Kiel for prolonged absence. The view in naval quarters is that the cruisers will be sent to the West Indies irrespective of the Venezuelan affair, hence it is believed they will sail, even though President Castro may yield. It is understood that the squadron will touch at the Azores and thence go to St. Thomas, where it will receive Commodore Scherer's instructions. This is the Commodore's first command promising action beyond routine sea duties. He is reputed to be a cool, sensible man, who will do nothing hastily.

UNITED STATES WILL STAY OUT.

Unwilling to Meddle in Venezuela's Financial Difficulties.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Isaac M. Seligman, of New York, called at the State Department today to broach his project for floating a Venezuelan loan, having been referred to the department by the President, whom he saw in connection with the matter last Saturday. Secretary Hay, not having returned to Washington, Mr. Seligman stated his proposition to Dr. Hill, who is acting as secretary. Neither of the parties to the conference cared to make any statement as to what took place, but it is known that the State Department has not changed its attitude as to the undesirability of embarking upon a policy that might involve it in the financial troubles of the South American republic.

CHANGES IN CUBAN CABINET.

One of Wood's Ministers Given Office—Revenue Is Declining.

HAVANA, Dec. 1.—At a meeting of the cabinet, Secretary of Instruction Yero was appointed secretary of government in place of Senator Tamaro and Leopoldo Canelo, ex-secretary of finance under General Wood's administration, was appointed Secretary of Instruction in succession to Senator Yero. Senator Canelo has not been identified with either of the political parties.

Cuban Ports Open to Commerce.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The Cuban government has opened to commerce 15 ports, and the State Department here has been advised by Vice-Consul-General Springer that the following ports are opened to importation and exportation of merchandise: Havana, Matanzas, Cardenas, Isabela de Sagua, Caxabarien, Neu-

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Bound by a Rubber Band.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—Announcement was made here today of the proposed formation of a large combination in the rubber industry, to be known as the International Rubber Company, with a capital of \$25,000,000. Incorporation papers have been prepared for filing at Trenton. The new combination is said to be backed by Pittsburgh, St. Louis, Chicago and Philadelphia capitalists. According to its promoters it will be operated independently of the company now controlling a majority of the rubber factories in this country.

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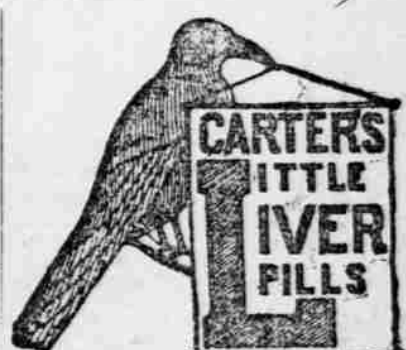
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