

LEOPOLD RALLIES FROM OPERATION

Aged Monarch's Power of Recuperation Astounds Scientific Men.

SIGNS NEW MILITARY LAW

Country Indifferent to Change of Sovereigns—Prince Albert, Her Presumptive, Different Type of Man.

EX-PRINCESS STEPHANIE SUMMONED.

VIENNA, Dec. 14.—Ex-Crown Princess Stephanie, daughter of King Leopold, who is now the Countess Lonyay, left Hungary today for Brussels to see her father.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 14.—King Leopold today underwent a serious operation and astonished science by the manner in which he withstood it.

His remarkable recuperative powers manifested themselves directly in the regained consciousness and the optimistic spirit which he had shown throughout his illness returned to him. He expressed satisfaction when informed of details of the operation, which was for the relief of a simple obstruction of the intestines.

Tonight the King is making a plucky fight for life. He was so strong enough to sign the new military law just passed by the Senate. But the battle has not been completely won. It is understood that the real feeling of his physicians and household is not so hopeful as his bulletins indicate. The crisis probably will last three days.

Paralysis Is Danger.

There is a possibility that the intestine will be gripped by paralysis—a danger that always causes anxiety on the part of surgeons—in that event, a recurrence of the obstruction is likely and another operation necessary.

Leopold emerged from the operation with a regular pulse. He was so talkative that the doctors were obliged to warn him, after which he fell into a light, refreshing slumber. The condition of his Majesty tonight is stated to be satisfactory.

The last member of the diplomatic corps to leave King Leopold was the American Minister, Henry Lane Wilson, who was received a fortnight ago on a farewell visit, preparatory to his departure to his new post in Mexico.

The audience was interesting. The King was in the best of spirits, greeting Mr. Wilson and his wife with great cordiality.

King Admires Taft.

Following his habit when in good humor, he conversed in English, and expressed regret that the Minister was leaving. He spoke in admiration of Mr. Taft, referring to him as a great leader and a great President.

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understood the Baltimore & Ohio men ask for a 15 per cent increase. C. C. Bent, general manager of the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern, declares the demands are unreasonable. The Big Four telegraphers have not yet completed their referendum vote on a strike, but 90 per cent of the votes that are now in favor of a strike and two-thirds of the total have voted.

BUTTE TRAINMEN RETURN

Resumption of Work at Great Falls Smelter Expected Soon.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 14.—Members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen in Butte, whose action in striking with the switchmen December 1 brought about a shutdown of the mines here, where 3000 men were employed, will return tomorrow.

The mines here and the smelters in Great Falls are expected to resume within a few days.

EXPERIENCED MEN AT WORK

Portland and Canada Help Break Switchmen's Strike.

SEATTLE, Dec. 14.—The Northern Pacific Railroad today employed 12 experienced men to take the places of striking switchmen, according to Superintendent of Terminals C. E. McMullin.

The new men came from Portland and Canada. The Northern Pacific now has 18 engine crews at work.

MEN SWIM FOR LIVES

CAPTAIN AND CREW DESERT DISABLED TUG IN GALE.

Reaching Shore, Castaways Spend Night in Woods; Then Make Way to Settlement.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 14.—The tug Enterprise, Captain George H. Deighton, of Vancouver, and two scows with the tug last in tow, were lost off the coast of Northern British Columbia during the terrific storm last Friday, news of the wreck being received here today from Malaspina.

Captain Deighton and two other men who were with him on the tug escaped uninjured.

With the scows in tow, the tug left Nanaimo, Friday, for Vananda. At 11 o'clock last night, while near the northeast point of Texada Island, in a terrible gale, the tug rope parted and the tug's propeller and stopped the engines. Seeing that he could not disentangle the line, Captain Deighton dropped anchor and abandoned the tug, the men swimming ashore.

During the night the anchor let go and the tug and scows drifted onto the rocks. They are a total wreck. The men camped on the shore for the remainder of the night and in the morning made their way to the Malaspina Island, where they were cared for.

The barge Quatsino, which was wrecked on Green Island six weeks ago, broke up during last week's storm.

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Toyland, Fourth Floor---Red Cross Stamps, First Floor---Gift Certificates, Any Part of Store

Olds, Wortman & King

This is the time of the season when stock rooms are disgorging their contents and department managers are kept on the run to keep our tremendous stock of Holiday Merchandise ever on the move. People are shopping early, in the week, as well as in the day, much to their advantage and to the comfort of salespeople. The happy Christmas season is coming on in all its splendor, suggestive of good things to wear, good things to eat and jolly times around the festal boards. Things for the table, the comfort and delectation of Merry Xmas folk.

\$5 Housecoats and \$2.85 Bathrobes

This will please the men folks as well as the ladies who are racking their brains to know what to give to them. Our entire stock of \$5.00 House Jackets and Bathrobes is offered for sale Wednesday at the very special price of \$2.85

Take a glimpse at our splendid line of Christmas Neckwear for men; beautifully boxed and very appropriate for a remembrance. Then there are Glove Certificates for some, fancy Suspenders and a thousand and one other things. A very complete and attractive line of Silk Handkerchiefs for men is offered for Wednesday. They are all specially priced for the occasion. Look at the prices, examine the quality and you will appreciate the significance of the sale: 25c values, 17c—50c values, 35c—75c values, 48c—\$1.00 values, 69c



Lace Curtains In Single Pairs at \$2.50 to \$15.00

We have picked out a limited number of single pairs of curtains, regularly priced from \$4.50 to \$30—specially priced from \$2.50 to \$15.00. Also about 50 pairs of single Lace Curtains, special for 75c to \$2.50

O. W. K. Gift Certificates

In every department we sell Gift Certificates, allowing the recipient to select anything in the store to the value of the certificate. When in doubt, there can be nothing more appropriate than one of these. Very prettily printed and attractively arranged for holiday time.

Sample Line of One Hundred Ladies' Handbags Values to \$20.00

ONE HUNDRED of these bags reduced startlingly. A fine sample line from the best manufacturer in New York. All are guaranteed perfect. Among the lot are genuine seal, walrus, sealion, alligator, fancy calf; beautifully lined and handsomely fitted; single or double strap handles; new novelty shapes and a wide range of color selections.

Values to \$20.00. Bags worth to \$6.50 for \$3.85. Bags worth to \$10.00 for \$5.35. Bags worth to \$15.00 for \$9.45. Bags worth to \$20.00 for \$13.85.



Most Bewildering, Entrancing Exhibition of Toys Ever Seen in Portland Take All the Little Folks to the Fourth Floor Without Delay

German, French and English Toys of every kind and description are shown this season for the first time. Our stock is the most complete ever shown in Portland. Toyland Is on the Fourth Floor.

Full Jointed Body—Bisque heads, sleeping eyes and having eyelashes and long curly hair, sewed wig. Regular \$6.00. Special only \$4.75

Full Jointed Body—With sleeping eyes and sewed wig; 25 inches long. Splendid value. Regular \$2.50. Special only \$1.95

Swing Rocking Horse—Unusually splendid value at \$5.00. Special only \$3.95

Child's Rocking Horses—Nicely painted, with mane and tail. Splendid toy for small boys. Regular value \$2.75. Special only \$2.25

Hardwood Tool Chest—Size 4 x 6 x 12 inches, with variety of tools. Regular 60c value. Special only 48c

Ostrich Feather Boa \$2 Elastic Belts 95c Reg. Up to \$20 at \$5

Alexandre Kid Gloves \$1.50 Kid Gloves 95c

Jet Trimming at Half

Irish Crochet Neckwear at 95c

Four Money-Saving Ribbon Values

Startling Reductions Are Now Offered in Portland's Best Stock of Fine Hair Goods ON SECOND FLOOR

Now that this department has moved to the Second Floor, near Washington-street elevator, its advent is marked by a splendid sale of these goods at very unusual prices. This is the largest and finest stock of Hair Goods in Portland. All convent cut. The stock is about to be closed out at era-marking prices. The whole stock goes. Here are a few prices, to illustrate:

French Natural Switches, 36 inches long. Extra value \$18.00

French Wavy Transformations. Regular \$25 to \$35. \$12.50

Best German Natural Wavy Switches. Regular \$18.00, 30-in. \$9.00

Ladies' All-Silk Hose

Hose Supporters 48c

\$6.00 Umbrellas for Men at \$3.95

Silk and lisle, union taffeta and all silk materials; rain proof; fitted with very large assortment of handles. Note these prices: Reg. up to \$ 6.00 only \$3.95

Sale of Two Hundred One-Piece Dresses, Regular to \$28.50 at \$9.98

Portland has never seen a greater offering in dress values than this. Such values are unusual anywhere and those best acquainted with this stock pronounce this sale the biggest event of the season. The lot includes serges, broadcloths, taffeta silk and all come in a variety of styles, but all of them are strictly this season's make. All these dresses are deliberately taken from our regular stock and placed on sale together at special price. \$9.98 Priced regularly as high as \$28.50. A big value at \$9.98

Girls' Woolen Dresses

These wonderful values. They come in Panamas, cassimeres and fancy plaids. Ages 6 to 14. Regular \$3.00 val. spel. \$1.98

BIG FOUR STRIKE FAVORED

Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Operators' Demands Also Opposed.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 14.—Railway telegraphers employed by the Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railroad, in demanding a new wage scale and a change in working conditions, are meeting with the same opposition from the company as are the Big Four telegraphers in their demands, it was announced today. It is