

TO HELP VENEZUELA

New York Syndicate May Make a Loan.

BUT SEEKS FOR GUARANTEE

United States Anxious to Save Venezuela From Seizure of Ports, but Will Not Act as Collector for Bondholders.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The appearance in Washington of L. Seligman, member of the New York financial house which has engaged extensively in international syndicates, taken in connection with the Associated Press dispatches printed this morning from London, relating to Venezuela, has been viewed in official circles here today as indicating the existence of a syndicate with the purpose of floating all of Venezuela's many debts and thus averting the imminent danger that country now stands in of the seizure of her customs-houses by foreign powers. The assumption is that the prospective syndicate wishes to ascertain before closing a bargain with Venezuela whether or not the United States will insure the meeting by Venezuela of the obligations she would assume in the matter of repayment of the loan.

The United States Government, it can be stated on authority, is extremely desirous that Venezuela settle her troubles with Great Britain and Germany and other foreign countries without incurring the seizure of any Venezuelan ports, even temporarily. But it is known that official sentiment is against the guarantee by the United States Government of the syndicate's Venezuelan loan would be unfavorably considered. The Department of State objects very strongly to giving any guarantee of this kind and its official practice has been to extend to an American holding foreign bonds such protection as it would make it possible for the syndicate to obtain the United States to act as his collector in the event that his speculation does not turn out as well as he expected.

Mr. Seligman lost no time in bringing his business to the attention of the Government and before noon he appeared at the executive offices with Senator Hanna and was promptly admitted to the President's room. The conference did not last long, and when he came away, Mr. Seligman declined to make any statement as to the reason for his call. It is understood, however, that he sounded the President upon the line indicated above, and that the President could not see his way clear to involve the United States in the financial difficulties of the American syndicate that might follow from the acceptance of Mr. Seligman's proposition.

It may be that the matter will take a form that will make it possible for the State Department to favorably entertain it.

Mr. Seligman said that another conference will be held tomorrow, at which Secretary Hay will be present, and at its conclusion he would probably give out a statement.

TIME FOR INTERVENTION.
Says Governor of Trinidad, but Rebels Would Aid Resistance.

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad, Nov. 29.—St. Courtney Knollys, Acting Governor of Trinidad, believes that Great Britain and Germany are preparing for joint action against Venezuela. The people of Trinidad, he says, think it time for the powers to intervene in the matter. Venezuelan gunboats have recently seized four British merchantmen in the Orinoco River, and the protest made regarding these seizures has not been heeded. An American ship is now here, bound for the Orinoco, and is awaiting a decision from the Washington Government as to whether or not the blockade is effective.

The Governor insists that the island of Patos is British territory, and has been so for a century, and declares that ample proof of his statement is obtainable. The sympathy of Trinidad with the revolutionists, though it is admitted that Castro is now dominant.

Senor Rojas, agent of the revolutionists, says: "The war will continue. The revolutionists have plenty of ammunition, and more has been ordered. General Matos is at Caracas for the purpose of obtaining supplies. There are 15,000 revolutionists, all in Venezuela. The Eastern section of that country is completely under the control of his party. If Great Britain and Germany attack Venezuela, the revolutionists will sink all differences existing between them, and the government and all Venezuelans will fight for their country. The revolution has received no foreign support."

At the same time it is said in an authoritative Colombian quarter that the Bogota government will reject Castro's overtures and aid in the attempt to defeat him.

PROTEST AGAINST PALMA.

Nationalist Leaders in Cuba Angry at Tamayo's Imposition.

HAVANA, Nov. 29.—A large meeting of the members of the Nationalist party was held here today for the purpose of protesting against President Palma and the methods used in deposing ex-Secretary of Government, Tamayo, by the Cabinet. Senor Portuondo, president of the House of Representatives, and Senators Bravo, Tamayo and Zayas spoke bitterly against President Palma and Secretary of State Zaido, whom Senor Zayas declared to be an annexationist.

The sentiment of the meeting was that the party should declare open opposition to the Palma government and make an attempt to control the Senate as it does the House.

The Nationalists undoubtedly will adopt obstructionist tactics, but the Republicans expect that with a strong man in Secretary Tamayo's place the party will be strengthened and will retain a majority in the House.

LAST REBELS SURRENDER.

Peace Now Entirely Restored on the Isthmus of Panama.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The Colombian Legislature received a dispatch today from General Perdomo, commanding the government forces on the Isthmus, announcing the surrender of Generals Vargas-Santos and Soto, two of the foremost of the revolutionary leaders. They surrendered to General Gonzales Valenzuela. The dispatch adds that this completes the pacification of the entire country.

OFF TO CONQUER ACRE.

Bolivian Expedition Starts for New Republic With Enthusiasm.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—A dispatch from La Paz, Bolivia, quotes President Pando, of that republic, as having declared that there is great enthusiasm over the Acre expedition, cables the Buenos Ayres, Argentina, correspondent of the Herald, General Pando added that the expedition

will be composed of three battalions of infantry and quick-firing guns. The German officers (Von Plotto Walter and Hausen), who are instructors of the Bolivian Army, have volunteered to accompany the expedition. A commission appointed to prepare the way started several days ago.

The advance part of the expedition will be headed by the Minister of War, Colonel Mota. President Pando will go with the second section. The number of volunteers is larger than required. Many officers who wished to go will not be accepted.

A dispatch from Manaoas says the revolutionists in Acre have a total of 200 men.

BARCELONA IS TAKEN.

Rebels Severely Defeated and Scattered Outside the City.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Nov. 29.—A force of government troops numbering 300, under Generals Fuentun and Olivas, reached Barcelona on the morning of November 29. The revolutionists, commanded by General Pablo Guzman and General Tolando, who fought them last week with only 200 men, abandoned the city before the arrival of the government forces, taking with them the leading prisoners whom they captured some time ago.

At a point six miles from the city the rebels were attacked by a government

force under General Alvarez, who inflicted upon them a severe defeat, liberating the prisoners they were holding as hostages and letting them escape in small bands.

The capture of Barcelona is taken here as further proof of the demoralization of the revolution. The government forces continued their march to Ciudad Bolivar.

EXCHANGE STILL VARYING.

Mexico Yet Undecided on Question of Gold Standard.

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 29.—Fluctuations of silver keep exchange continually varying. Opinions are still divided as to the advisability of adopting the gold standard. The largest business houses in the city are divided toward a gold standard. Farmers in the interior are disposed to regard the agitation in favor of a gold standard as a mere outcry on the part of the interested foreigners. Business men are marking up prices to the proportion of three to one. The silver dollar is now down nearly to one-third of its nominal value expressed in gold. The bankers all prosperous and business interests report excellent trade conditions.

NORD HAS THE ADVANTAGE.

President of Chamber Goes to Join Brazilian Dictator.

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Nov. 29.—The situation here, which for some time past has been critical, has been rendered more so tonight by much shooting. The President of the Chamber of Communes has left the capital for St. Marie, where he will join General Nord, and his absence has caused the greatest difficulty in considering the work in the Chamber. General Nord appears to have the better of the situation. Accord between the Senate and the Chamber is said to be impossible. The advance guard of General Nord is encamped one day's journey from Port-au-Prince.

AWARD PLEASED PERU.

Decision of Argentine Boundary Case Wins Compliments for Edward.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—The Peruvian newspapers contain complimentary references to King Edward's award in the Argentine-Chilean boundary controversy, according to a Herald dispatch from Lima. They recommend other republics to resort to arbitration.

Will Elect Vice-President.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—President Alves has signed a decree, says a Herald dispatch from Rio Janeiro, Brazil, setting February 15 as date for the election of a Vice-President to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Silvano Brandao.

Banquet to Henry L. Wilson.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—United States Minister Dudley entertained at dinner Thursday night the United States Minister to Chile, Henry L. Wilson, and Mrs. Wilson, called the Herald's correspondent at Lima, Peru.

MOTHER OF FIVE STATES

Chillicothe Celebrates Centennial of Organization of Northwest.

CHILICOTHE, O., Nov. 29.—Today this city, the original capital of the Northwest Territory, out of which were formed the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin, celebrated the centennial anniversary of the assembling of the convention which framed the first constitution of the State of Ohio. Advantage was taken of the occasion to place a tablet to mark the site of the building in which the constitutional convention assembled, and which was also the capital of the Northwest Territory, as well as of the State of Ohio, until the seat of government was removed to Columbus.

CROKER APPEALS TO COURT

Obtains Stay of His Removal as Gotham's Fire Chief.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Justice Fitzgerald in the Supreme Court today granted a writ of certiorari, calling for a review by the Supreme Court of the decision of Fire Chief Croker, who was dismissed from office yesterday by Commissioner Sturges. The Justice also granted a stay restraining the chief's removal from office pending the court proceedings.

Safelowers Raid Village Bank.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Nov. 29.—Safelowers made a successful raid last night upon the State Bank at Standford, a village 10 miles southwest of here, and \$2000 was taken. The burglars escaped.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our thanks for kindness and sympathy extended to us during the sickness and death of our son, Wesley, and the beautiful floral offerings.

His father and mother.

CHARLES AND MINNIE DARRIS.

WANTS GENERAL LAND LAW

GOVERNOR BRADY ASKS ITS EXTENSION TO ALASKA.

In Annual Report He Tells of Difficulty of Securing Surveyors—Asks for Survey Appropriation.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 29.—The Secretary of the Interior, in his annual report, incorporates liberal extracts from the annual report of Governor Brady of Alaska. As usual, the Governor contends most earnestly for the extension of the general land laws of the United States to Alaska. He points out that at present none but mineral entries can be made. Although Congress several years ago extended the homestead laws to Alaska, there have been no surveys of the public lands, consequently no homesteads can be made. The difficulty that has been experienced in trying to induce surveyors to take up the work in Alaska at the maximum Government rate. Because of the great distances to be traveled, the great cost of living and the deprivations they

who are undertaking to furnish means of transportation; that Alaska shall be made a lighthouse district and furnished with a tender to do the work; and we want the means to show what we can do at St. Louis. All these matters demand the attention and serious consideration of Congress."

LINCOLN'S KIND HEART.

Tender Message to a Sick Officer at His Home in Maine.

Bangor (Me.) Commercial.

In the several articles which the Commercial has published during the past few weeks regarding the history of the Second Regiment of Maine Volunteers, and its record of heroism in the War for the Union, one incident has not been mentioned, which deserves to be spoken of now that its veterans are with us to revive old recollections and live over again the days of the past. It relates to the gallant General Jameson, the first Colonel of the regiment.

The fortunes of war called him early into the heat of battle. When the regiment had been driven back from the batteries of the enemy at the first battle of Bull Run, leaving their wounded behind, Colonel Jameson came for volunteers, and leading back a little band under a steady fire, the men brought off in their arms the injured and helpless. It was for gallantry in this engagement that he won his brigadier's star. Later he commanded splendid regiments from New York and Pennsylvania in the battles of Yorktown, Williamsburg and Fair Oaks. General Jameson became so worn out with heavy marches, the fatigue of camp life, the exposure and hardship of battle, and the personal exertion of caring for the health and comfort of his men that his own health gave way, and in September, 1862, he came to his home on leave of absence to recuperate. But he gradually became worse, and died on November 6 of that year at the early age of 35.

It was but a few days before his death that the incident occurred to which we allude. A telegraph message was received in this city from President Abraham Lincoln, addressed to General Jameson, in which he was nearly as recalled, in these words: "Let me know the exact condition of your health, as I want to know how you are. I hope you will soon be better, and be able to return." This message was delivered in person to General Jameson at his home in Upper Stillwater by our esteemed townsman, Mr. Charles E. Bliss, who was then in charge of the American telegraph office in this city. An answer was forwarded, the nature of which is not recalled; but in a few days General Jameson had answered the last summons.

Looking at this incident today, what a flood of pathos it brings to mind. President Lincoln, at that time, was carrying upon his heart a Nation's trials and sorrows, and he was burdened with the cares of statecraft in a time of raging civil war. Yet he could stop amid it all to send a tender message to a sick soldier, and inquire for the health of a gallant man whom he knew to be sick somewhere near Bangor, in Maine.

GLOISTEIN PAYS A BET.

Walks Grand Street With a Lobster Hitched to His Fishpole.

New York Sun.

August J. Gloistein, president of the Gloistein Fishing Club, paid an election bet yesterday, to the delight of promoters in Grand street.

Some time ago Gloistein offered to bet that he could catch a lobster on Grand street, from 100 to 400 feet from the water. He would be elected Governor by 50,000 majority. Wagner demurred at the offer, for he had heard a Socialist orator the night before declare that it was all up with Odell.

"Well, I tell you what I do," said Gloistein; "if Odell was der winner I will carry the fishing pole up and down Grand street for two hours and a life lobster on end of it. If Coler was elected you do der same und put a keg of beer for der boys."

"I go you," said Wagner. "Vat end of der pole are you going to be on?"

"Nefter you might," said Gloistein. "Ven you carry der bet appoydy will haf to ask vat end der der lobster."

Gloistein notified Wagner yesterday morning that he would pay the bet in the afternoon.

"I had to make people know how I am a fool," said Gloistein over the telephone, "but I will haf to maid good. I vant id all offer quick."

Wagner lost no time in circulating the news all through the neighborhood. Gloistein appeared shortly after 2 o'clock. He carried a fishing pole over his shoulder, and from the end of the line wriggled a live lobster. Gloistein wore a slouch hat, which he pulled down over his eyes.

Wagner met him with about 300 cheering friends at Grand and Ludlow streets. He paraded from the Bowery to Canal street, back and forth, and at one time it was almost impossible for the street-cars to get through the crowd.

When the time was up Gloistein dashed into Weiss's saloon, where the beer was tapped.

LOSS ABOUT \$500,000.

Business Portion of Normal, Ont., Was Entirely Wiped Out.

RAT PORTAGE, Ont., Nov. 29.—Practically the entire business portion of the village of Normal, near here, was wiped out by fire last night. The extensive lumber yards there yesterday.

The total loss is estimated at \$500,000, with an insurance of about one-third of that amount. The principal sufferers from the fire are the lumber companies and sawmills, which made up the only industry of the village. Twenty-five million feet of sawed lumber and logs were destroyed. A number of vessels lying at the lumber docks were also destroyed, but their value did not exceed \$15,000. The fire was checked after 15 houses in the residence section of the town had been destroyed.

PLACE FOR DOOLITTLE.

Washington Ex-Representative for the Canal Commission.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Nov. 29.—Representative Jones, of Washington, has recommended to the President the appointment of ex-Representative W. H. Doolittle, of that state, as a member of the Isthmian Canal Commission.

Philosophy in Upholstery.

Chicago Chronicle.

It is in no certain parts of the country that a visitor is invited to "sit down." "Allens passing through the United States smile at the provincialism and sometimes inquire whether the caller would otherwise be expected to "sit up."

We have the other phrase, too, but it means sitting all night with the sick living or with the caretakers of the dead.

The philosophy has been shown in selection of chairs for official callers at the executive offices, Washington. In the original design heavy upholstered leather-covered furniture was provided. It was provided on its deep and undulating surface office-seekers would be easily persuaded into the illusion that theirs was the privilege to "sit down" for all day or all night in quest of their body. Oak armchairs with rattan seats will be substituted for the Oriental cushions and mahogany mounts.

Nobody will sit either up or down on such seats longer than is absolutely necessary.

THIS IS NOT A SALE

Just an insight of what you can do here under ordinary circumstances, and a few timely hints.

Tomorrow there will be another outpouring of dry goods values, the kind that has so signally distinguished our Dress Goods Department this season.

For instance:

Household furnishing of interest to you, because we are leaders in this special line. For instance, we call your attention to

Lace Curtains

Just received, a large shipment of Nottingham Lace Curtains, that are exceptional good values.

100 pairs, 3 1/4 yards long, 45 inches wide, pair.....1.00

Bedspreads

100 full size Bedspreads, Marseilles patterns, heavy weight, hemmed ready for use; great values, at.....1.25

Linen Crash

10 pieces Belfast Crash, all linen, dark brown color, 18 inches wide, worth 12 1/4 yard, for.....10c

Tapestry, 40c

50-inch satin finish Tapestry, for curtains and lounge covers, handsome patterns in all colors, per yard.....40c

Towels, 8c

100 dozen linen finish Huck Towels, size 16x32 inches, hemmed, fancy border, 12 1/4 values, for, each.....8c

Comforters

Large assortment of cotton-filled Comforters at low prices.

4 dozen full size cotton-filled, sixteen-covered, each.....1.25

Cotton Batting

Full 10-oz. rolls fine grade Cotton Batting, each.....10c

Good grade 1/4-lb. rolls clean Cotton Batting, each.....6c

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36-inch spun glass, in black and colors, yard.....20c

36-inch percaline, in black and colors, yard.....10c

30-inch shrank canvas, regular 20c quality, for.....15c

Dress Goods

38-inch all-wool Venetian, in all the popular colors, yard.....50c

35 pieces fine will domestic Cashmeres, black and colors, yard.....25c

58-inch all-wool American Kersey, for capes and jackets.....1.98

38-inch all-wool granite, large selection of colors.....60c

52-inch waterproof serge in colors, black and navy blue, slightly and serviceable goods.....1.25

Shoe Values That Speak for Themselves.

Women's fine vic kid lace style shoes with the light flexible McKay turn and extension sole, English welt soles, patent tips on light weights. They're a world-wide advertised line of \$2.50 shoes. But Monday and Tuesday we will sell them for just.....\$2.10

Women's XXX quality box calf, hand welt, extension sole, lace shoes, the new Manhattan shape and the best \$3.50 shoe that is produced; for Monday, Tuesday only.....\$2.69

Underwear and Stockings—Big Savings for Everybody.

Ladies' fleece-lined, Jersey, ribbed underwear. All sizes. Regular 35c Monday and Tuesday.....25c

Ladies' fleece-lined, well-finished union suits, in Florence style. Regular 65c for Monday and Tuesday.....48c

Children's extra-heavy school hose. The kind that don't crack.....20c

Robert's Bros

FIFTH AND YAMHILL STREETS, TEMPORARY

A GENTLE REMINDER.

CHRISTMAS WILL SOON BE HERE

Wouldn't you like to be wearing a new Suit and Overcoat to celebrate the occasion? Better take the hint and leave your order tomorrow. Then you won't have to buy a hand-me-down at the last moment. Prices to order \$20 to \$50—made right here in Portland—that's worth something. You know the place and our well-known cash methods. Save you \$10 to \$20 on Suit or Overcoat on prices charged by the credit-giving tailor.

Full Dress and Tuxedo Suits a specialty. Satisfaction guaranteed in all cases. Garments to order in a day if required. Samples mailed, garments expressed.

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Recommendations.

In recapitulating the legislative needs of the district the Governor states that—"We want the land laws overhauled and put to shape as they are in Washington and Oregon, and, besides a donation-claims law, to run for five years; a delegate to look after the interests of the district in Washington; a Commissioner of Fisheries, with vessel, helpers, etc.; a Commissioner of Mines, similar to the Minister of Mines in British Columbia, our near neighbor; to examine into the condition of the natives of Alaska, who are to report to Congress with recommendations; license law inquired into and amended; encouragement given to those

Cracow. There is a club of baldheaded men in that city, and they asked Archduke Charles Stephen to become their honorary president; the public prosecutor heard of their appeal, and instructed proceedings to be taken against the petitioners for an insult to one of the royal family. We are glad to say that the Archduke intervened and the case was quashed, although his Royal Highness felt unable to accept the proffered honor. That is a splendid public prosecutor must hold similar views to those of a comrade in long ago Spain, who regarded it as indecous to suggest that the Queen of Spain had legs. Meanwhile, we look forward to the time when a smooth, clean pate shall be as honorable and as fashionable as a clean-shaven face is now.

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