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THEY MAY CONTEST.

It Was a Forgery and Was Revoked by Other Wills.

Helena, Mon., Feb. 18.—The supreme court decided today that Harriet T. Sheffield and Edwin Davis, the niece and brother of Andrew J. Davis, the Butte millionaire, may contest the will on the ground that it was a forgery and revoked by other wills.

H. A. Root and Maria Cummings contested the will in 1891 and after a six weeks' trial at Butte the jury disagreed. The Root contest was set for hearing July 24, 1893. However the case was continued by consent and the Sheffield-Davis case called. These contests were not ready for trial and the case was dismissed. A motion to set aside the default was overruled and an appeal was taken to the supreme court. This again opens the validity of the will under which John A. Davis, a brother, claimed the whole estate of \$85,000.

WASHINGTON'S LEGISLATURE.

Olympia, Feb. 18.—Both houses convened at 2 p. m. today. The senate passed yesterday a bill making assignments invalid unless for the benefit of creditors proportionately with their respective claims. Campbell seeks to drive out the Chinese by fining any male person \$100 to \$500 for wearing a queue. Other bills were, by Hall, appropriating \$8,000 for the maintenance and construction of buildings for the agricultural college, and by Taylor, abolishing days of grace on commercial papers. Among the new bills were: To appoint truant masters in cities of over 20,000 inhabitants to patrol the streets and gather in truant school children. To stop work on the state capitol foundation. Making the professor of veterinary surgery at the agricultural college, state veterinarian.

TRUMPHER OVER INSURGENTS.

Human Heads to Decorate the Walls of the City of Fez.

Tangiers, Feb. 18.—The report that the heads of a number of rebels have been sent to the sultan as trophies proves to be true, confirmation having been received from Morocco city. From the scene of the first prolonged struggle between the tribes supporting the sultan's brother in his claim to the throne and the government troops, the heads of thirty-seven of the leading rebels were sent to Abdul Aziz, at Fez. These heads will be placed on the walls of the city as proofs of triumph and as a warning to insurgents.

MYSTERIOUS DISAPPEARANCE.

Seattle, Feb. 18.—A. B. Hunt, chief of the fire department, has mysteriously disappeared and no trace of him can be found. He got oral leave of absence last Friday from Mayor Phelps and Fire Commissioner Masal to go to Tacoma and stand his trial in the United States court on the charge of obtaining naturalization papers by fraud, and he was last seen about 8 o'clock that evening. The fire commission today declared his office vacant on account of his absence without leave and appointed Alex Allen jr., chief. Hunt's enemies say that he has fled to avoid trial.

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THEY WON A VICTORY

Silver Men in the National Senate.

Jubilant Over Recognition of Their Bill. It Is Now before that Body and Jones Will Try and Keep It There.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The silver men won a victory in the senate today. After the agricultural appropriation bill passed there was an effort to get recognition from every side from the chair. It was clearly a fight between the silver bill appropriation bills and the pooling bills. Jones, of Arkansas, who was in charge of the silver bill, succeeded in getting the first recognition and moved to take up the silver bill. The effect of this, if adopted, was to displace the bankruptcy bill and all other measures and bring the silver bill to the front for a struggle and vote. Hale moved to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was defeated by 17 to 36.

This was a signal victory for the silver men. Gorman then made a move to get the Indian appropriation bills ahead of the silver bill. The motion was defeated, yeas 26, nays 30, and the silver men were again victorious. Ayes and nays were then taken on direct question of taking up the silver bill according to Jones' motion, and the silver men gained their point, yeas 30, nays 27. The vote was as follows:

Yeas—Allen, Bate, Berry, Blackburn, Butler, Call, Cameron, Clark, Daniel, DuBois, Hansbrough, Harris, Huntton, Jones, McLaurin, Mantie, Morgan, Peffer, Perkins, Pettigrew, Pugh, Squire, Stewart, Teller, Turpie, Voorhes, Walsh, and Waite—30.

Nays—Allison, Brice, Camden, Carey, Chandler, Davis, Dixon, Frye, Gallinger, George, Gibson, Gray, Hale, Hawley, Hill, Hoar, McMillan, McPherson, Manderson, Mitchell of Wisconsin, Palmer, Pascoe, Platt, Proctor, Quay, Ransom, Vilas—27.

Paids—the first named would have voted aye; Mitchell of Oregon, and Aldrich, Blanchard, and Burrows, Cockrell and Cullom, Coker and Dolph, Faulkner and Higgins, Gordon and Wilson of Iowa, Roach and Gorman, Irby and Mirril, Pritchard and Lindsey, Martin and Lodge, Milbank and Sherman, Wolcott and Murphy, Power and Calfery, Shoup and Smith, Vest and Washburn.

Jones gave notice that he would keep the bill before the senate until a vote is secured tomorrow.

CONGRESS AND THE CABLE.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The predicted controversy between the two houses of congress over the cable amendment to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill to expend \$500,000 for survey and preliminary work on the cable to connect the United States and the Hawaiian islands is at hand. The disagreement will be reported to the senate tomorrow and it is expected that a motion will emanate from the democrats instructing the conference to abandon the cable item. A proposition will doubtless come from the republicans that they be instructed to accept the amendment. Argument is being advanced by the democrats and will be made in debate that it is unnecessary for the government to give its funds to the cable enterprise when capitalists stand ready to do the work.

THE PARAMOUNT QUESTION.

All Germany Alive to the Silver Issue at Home and Abroad.

Berlin, Feb. 16.—The silver question in the United States and Europe has been a subject on which the political and financial world in Berlin has been chiefly occupied during the past week. The financial troubles in the United States are followed here with the closest attention.

On Wednesday night, during a ball at the Royal opera house, the emperor showed the interest he felt in the matter by engaging in a lengthy conversation with Mr. Runyon, the American ambassador, on American financial affairs. An important phase of the silver question was reached today when the reichstag declared in favor of the resolution submitted yesterday by Count von Mirbach, an agrarian leader, summoning another international conference on the currency question.

NOTES FROM OLYMPIA.

Olympia, Feb. 16.—Isaac Harris, a California and Oregon pioneer, and a resident of this city died today, in New York city. He was a native of Russia, and settled in California forty years ago, came to Olympia in 1870, engaged in mercantile business and acquired considerable wealth.

Both houses adjourned without transacting any business this morning.

A WISE PROVISION.

Omaha, Feb. 16.—The Bee tonight says: It was given out at the Omaha federal building today that in the future the Nebraska Indians are to be paid their annuities in cash instead of the customary supplies of blankets, groceries, etc. This is said to be one result of the chieving perpetrated on Indians by traders who secure their supplies for naught. It is believed this system will apply through the entire west.

PICKED UP ON THE SEA.

London, Feb. 18.—The body of Walter Schult, an Elbera passenger, was brought to Dungeness today by a fishing vessel.

COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

New in Session at the National Capital.

Washington, Feb. 18.—The second triennial of the National Council of Women of the United States began today. President Mrs. Sewall of Indianapolis, called the convention to order at 10 o'clock.

The gathering was a representative one. Dress reformers and women in gowns of the latest mode sat side by side, while here and there could be seen the bonnet of a Quakeress.

Conspicuous in the gathering were the Countess of Abercree, president of the International Council of Women; Lady Somerset, Miss Willard of Illinois, president of the National Women's Temperance Union; Mrs. Russell Sage of New York; Mrs. Granville of New York, president of the National Christian League for the promotion of Social Purity; Mrs. Foster of Washington, president of the Women's Republican Association of the United States; Mrs. Solomon of Illinois, president of the National Council of Jewish Women; Mrs. Annie Jenness Miller, dress reformer.

Among the fraternal organizations represented were: The Woman's National Indian Association, the National Women's Auxiliary of the Keeley league, Working Women's society, and International Orders of King's Daughters and Sons.

The opening session began with prayer. The presentation of greetings from the National Council of Women of Canada and other organizations followed, and the session concluded with an address by President May Wright Sewall.

L. A. W. OFFICERS. New York, Feb. 18.—The annual convention of the League of America Whiskmen today elected the following officers: President, A. C. Wilson of Maryland; first vice-president, George A. Perkins of Massachusetts; second vice-president, A. C. Morrison of Milwaukee; treasurer, A. E. Mergenthaler of Ohio; auditing committee, J. Adams of Massachusetts, John Vannert of Pennsylvania and George D. Prout of Pennsylvania.

Under the order of new business, the meeting question was taken up. The vote resulted: Boston 63, Ashbury Park 81.

This matter being disposed of, Delegate Jasquith, who had moved to strike out the word "white" from article 3, section 1, of the constitution, withdrew the motion and the color question which was expected to cause some bitter discussion, was lost to the future.

ANXIETY IN NEW YORK.

New York, Feb. 16.—Much anxiety is manifested among owners of small coast sailing vessels as to the safety of about twenty-five ships which are supposed to have been lost in the blizzard of one week ago. Every day the officers of the agents are besieged by relatives anxious to know what has become of their loved ones, who shipped a month ago.

Since the severe storm there has not been one coastwise sailing vessel reported from any southern port, and vessels bound from New York for the south and New England are also so long overdue that they are supposed to have foundered. The ship's crews average about ten men each, and the total value of cargoes is about a quarter of a million dollars.

A DISAGREEMENT.

North Yakima, Feb. 18.—The jury in the Banker Edmiston case was brought into court this morning and discharged, having been unable to agree upon a verdict. Eight were for acquittal and four for conviction until the last ballot, when the vote stood six to six. The case will come up again during the next term of court. Edmiston stated today that he should remain in Yakima until the next term, which convenes in April.

DOWN IN DOMINGO.

Bethlehem, Pa., Feb. 16.—From private dispatches received here tonight it is learned that there is trouble brewing for the island of San Domingo. The president of the island, it is stated, has been acting with a high hand in seizing funds of the French merchants. The French will also claim indemnity for the death of one of their countrymen. The French now have five men of war lying at Hayti to pounce down upon the little island.

BREAKERS OF THE LAW.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 18.—As a result of the police investigation the names of 2,800 violators of the Sunday observance law were reported to the chief of police today. The authorities held a conference and decided to make test cases of the various lines of business on next Thursday. Among those for whom warrants will be issued are Manager Smith, of the Western Union and D. E. Sullivan, critic on the Louisville Courier-Journal.

WHAT WILL THE VERDICT BE?

Steeves' attorneys are quite sanguine of securing a new trial from the supreme court. They fully believe they have undeniable grounds for demanding that the lower court's decree be overruled. When the transcript on appeal shall have been filed it will show a most carefully prepared recitation of the defendant's grievances against the conduct of the jury. The discharge of Juror Dannele will figure conspicuously in the case, as well as the alleged prejudice of Juror Charleston against Steeves. After months of careful review, it will be for the supreme court to say whether unfairness was shown on the trial.

Mr. Steeves says there is no doubt about the result, and the lawyer's friends assert that he cannot be convicted a second time on the same testimony as adduced on the first trial.

THE MARKET.

Portland, Feb. 18.—Wheat, valley 75c @ 77c per cental; Walla Walla 40c @ 41c per bushel.

New York, Feb. 18.—Hops quiet.

San Francisco, Feb. 18.—Wheat \$1 1/4 for No. 1 shipping grade; milling wheat easier at 86 1/2 @ 90; Walla Walla 75c for fair average quality, 77 1/2 @ 80c for blue stem and 67 1/2 for damp.

THE MARKET OF METAL.

New York, Feb. 18.—The Evening Post's London cablegram says: Firmness in silver stocks was again a feature today. American stocks were depressed by the absurd bluster of the silverites in the senate today. This course is strongly condemned here by all but the bimetalists.

ENGLAND MEANS BUSINESS.

Hong Kong, Feb. 18.—The British cruiser Mercury left here today for Formosa to protect foreigners against outrages which are being committed by the Chinese.

YESTERDAY AT BAY VIEW.

San Francisco, Feb. 16.—The Burns handicap, mile and a quarter was run today and Barney Schreiber, old horse Hawthorn landed the \$5,000 prize.

DIDN'T SEE THE SIGNAL.

Pittsburg, Kan., Feb. 16.—The regular Santa Fe passenger train from Kansas City was wrecked just outside the city limits this evening and several passengers were injured. None of them it is thought will die. The engineer of a coal train backing back for signals, failed to see the approaching Santa Fe passenger. The coal train struck the tender of the Santa Fe train, throwing the entire passenger train, except the engine, to the bottom of a fifteen-foot embankment. Every person on the Santa Fe train was more or less injured and the wonder is that nobody was killed.

FIFTEEN LONG YEARS

X N. STEEVES AWARDED THAT TERM IN THE PEN.

He is Also Mulcted in the Sum of One Thousand Dollars as a Fine.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 16.—Imprisonment in the state penitentiary at Salem for the period of fifteen years and a fine of \$1,000 was the sentence imposed by Judge Stephens today on Xenophone N. Steeves, lawyer, convicted of manslaughter and complicity in the murder of George W. Sayres.

The sentencing of Steeves, the co-defendant in one of the most remarkable murder cases that ever occupied public attention in Multnomah county, was a proxy and formal affair. It was conducted in a quiet, businesslike manner. Steeves heard the decree as a matter of course, and assisted his counsel in the necessary legal steps to appeal his case immediately to the supreme court. The sentence almost reaches the limit of punishment for the crime of manslaughter—fifteen years imprisonment and \$5,000 fine.

The motion for a new trial filed several days ago, by Rufus Mallory, his attorney, was to be heard this morning, but when the time for argument came the motion was withdrawn, and then Steeves' wife passed by the court. The defense next presented a motion of probable cause for a new trial pending an appeal to the supreme court, which was granted. A notice of appeal was furnished the district attorney, and the \$1,000 bond on appeal appearing satisfactory, the defendant was allowed to retain his liberty.

When the attorneys took up the discussion of the costs of writing up the stock of stenographic notes of the trial, the state's counsel and the defense reached an agreement whereby the cost of the transcript, which will be quite large, is to be divided between the opposing sides. The stenographers will go to work at once on the matter. It is expected of them that they will finish the work by March 16th.

The motion to set aside the verdict is made on the ground of misconduct of Juror E. Charleston, who, it is claimed, was prejudiced. It is as follows:

"Comes now the defendant, X. N. Steeves, by his attorneys, and moves the court to set aside the verdict of the jury rendered in this cause against him, and to grant a new trial upon the following grounds and for these reasons:

"First—Misconduct of the jury in returning a verdict of guilty of manslaughter against the defendant, Steeves, out any evidence to justify such verdict, and the misconduct of E. Charleston, who swore in his examination as to his fitness to serve as a juror in this case; that he had not formed or expressed an opinion as to the guilt or innocence of the defendant, Steeves, whereas in truth and in fact he had formed an opinion adverse to the defendant, X. N. Steeves.

"Second—The defendant was taken by surprise which ordinary prudence could not guard against by being compelled to be tried upon an indictment which did not advise him of the nature of each of the charges.

"Third—Insufficiency of the evidence to justify the verdict rendered by the jury, and the same is against law.

"Fourth—Errors in law occurring at the trial and duly excepted to by counsel for the defense.

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The resolution which was submitted to the reichstag by Mirbach has received the signatures of the unusually large number of 210 members of that body, comprising conservatives, national liberals, ultra-montanes, and members of other parties. Among the signers were to be found not only the names of professed bi-metalists but others who heretofore maintained a more or less neutral attitude on the question of bimetalism. The result of the debate was fore-shadowed yesterday when Prince Hohenlohe indicated the attitude of the government in a carefully worded declaration which he read, as follows: Without prejudicing the impartial currency, one must confess that the difference in the value of gold and silver continues to react upon our commercial life. Following therefore, the tendencies which lead to the appointment of a civil commission, I am ready to consider, in conjunction with the federal governments, whether we cannot enter upon a friendly interchange of opinion as to the common remedial measures with other states, which are chiefly interested in maintaining the value of silver.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

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GOT FIVE YEARS.

Portland, Feb. 18.—Richard S. Banker, the man who successfully swindled the A. O. W., out of about \$2,000 by feigning death, today pleaded guilty to the charge in the criminal court and was sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the penitentiary. The commitment of Banker was deferred by order of the court until later, when the cases against Mrs. Banker and Harry Hunter, accomplices to the swindle, are settled.

DEATH-DEALING BLIZZARD.

Aberdeen, S. D., Feb. 18.—Reports were received today of a severe blizzard in the hills east of here. Mrs. Nehring and four children living near Webster attempted to go to a neighbor's house during the storm. They became bewildered and when found the mother and two children were dead and the other children were badly frozen.

A CRAZY CONVICT.

Tacoma, Feb. 18.—Chas. Carlson, a Swedish prisoner, 48 years old, committed suicide at the McNeil's island penitentiary this afternoon by hanging himself in a water closet. He was sentenced at Walla Walla in November to eight months for selling whiskey to Indians at Yakima. He had been working as a trusty in the laundry on the island, but for several days had been somewhat out of his head.

IS NOT A CITIZEN.

Paris, Feb. 18.—The United States has refused to interfere in the case of a man named Le Compte, who was forced to do military duty in France and who claimed American citizenship. It is learned he had only declared his intention to become a citizen.

ANOTHER SHORTAGE.

Boise, Feb. 18.—Expert examination discloses the fact that ex-Auditor W. C. Wickersham of Elmore county is heavily short in his accounts; also ex-Sheriff J. D. Gray. The latter's shortage is about \$15,000; the former's is said to reach \$10,000. There was no change in the vote for senator today. The indications now are that Shoup will be elected this week.

MARINES PROTECT LEGATIONS.

London, Feb. 18.—A Pekin dispatch says the marines are arriving at various foreign legations for the purpose of protecting them. The Chinese are suspicious of their presence and trouble is feared.

WHERE POVERTY REIGNS.

London, Feb. 18.—Continued cold weather in London is causing much distress among the poor. A number of committees have been formed and funds are being collected for their relief.

HARDING IS CHAMPION.

New Castle, England, Feb. 16.—The sculling match on the Tyne between Charles W. Harding and Thomas Sullivan for \$2,000 and the single scull championship of England, this afternoon won by Harding, by four lengths; time 21 minutes and 15 seconds.