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JAS. FAIR'S MILLIONS

Another Sensation Developed.

A New Will Is Produced in Court.

By Its Provisions the Two Daughters and the Son Get the Big Estate.

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 18.—The contention in the courts over the millions left by James G. Fair developed another sensation this morning. When the case was called before Superior Judge Slack, a great stir was caused by the introduction of what purports to be a later holographic will written in lead pencil on two sheets of legal cap paper. It was brought into court securely framed between two plates of glass, by Reuben Lloyd, who has been retained in the case by Virginia Fair and Mrs. Oelrichs, daughters of the deceased. This alleged will divides the estate almost equally between the two daughters and Charles Fair. It bequeaths a few thousand dollars to certain orphan asylums, and makes no provision for such a trust as the estate is left in control of under the will previously filed.

Messrs. Angus and Crothers are two of the four executors named in the previously filed will. Referring to this alleged will, Attorney Lloyd informed the court that the document, according to its date, was executed three days later than the will previously filed. He said he would prove that the existence of this will had been known to several persons, and that it had finally been found in the possession of an estimable old lady, whose name Lloyd did not divulge. Lloyd said the old lady had not produced it because she had read of the other will being offered for probate, and had supposed it was a later document than the one she held. The fact that this new alleged will has been presented in court by Attorney Lloyd would indicate that Charlie Fair and his sisters have joined forces to contest the will of their father.

The attorneys who represent the executors under the will previously filed, and of which the original copy was stolen, intimated very strongly that they believed the alleged later will to be a forgery. The case was finally continued until April 2d.

The alleged will produced today bequeaths to various brothers and sisters of the deceased and their children about the same amounts as was left to them under the will previously filed. Under the first will the families of these brothers and sisters would acquire a large proportion of the estate at the death of Fair's children, Chas., Virginia, and Mrs. Oelrichs, but under the will filed today the brothers and sisters, and their families would receive only the amount of cash stated in the will and the balance of the $40,000,000 estate could be distributed at once among the three children of the deceased.

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DIDN'T OPEN.

A Kansas City Bank Goes Down Again—Assets and Liabilities.

Kansas City, Mar. 18.—The National bank of Kansas City failed to open this morning. In the panic of 1893 the bank suspended, but through an arrangement between the depositors and stockholders it was permitted to resume business. The steady withdrawal of deposits since that time has placed the bank in an embarrassing position, and necessitated another suspension. A statement given out shows assets to be $1,800,000; liabilities, $1,050,000. The Star this afternoon will say editorially: "None of the other banks of the city have been in any way affected."

Washington, March 18.—The comptroller of the currency today received a telegram announcing the suspension of the National bank of Kansas City. Bank Examiner Galbreath was appointed temporary receiver. The capital stock is $1,000,000, with assets at face value amounting to nearly $2,000,000, of which $170,000 is cash on hand, and due from other banks.

NEW YORK'S "EXTRAORDINARY."

New York, March 18.—The extraordinary grand jury, which has been out since January 7th, reported today. Foreman Leggett handed up twenty-five indictments and presentments censuring the police department. The court adjourned until 4 o'clock this afternoon. It is expected in the meantime several arrests will be made and Justice Ingraham will fix bail this afternoon. The grand jury was not discharged.

The following passage occurs in the presentment: "Circumstances and the testimony offered have tended to show the financial consideration, and in some cases a tax, for administration. Indeed the publicity with which the law is violated and the immunity from arrest enjoyed by lawbreakers, is inconsistent with the law."

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

Liverpool, March 18.—Wheat, spot, steady; demand poor; No. 2 red winter, 4s 10d; No. 2 red spring, 5s 3½d; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 5s3½d; No. 1 California, 5s 1½d.

Hops dull; Pacific coast, £2 10s.

New York—Hops dull.

Portland—Wheat, valley, 80@81½ per cental; Walla Walla, 45@45½ per bushel.

San Francisco—No. 1 shipping wheat, 86¼c, with 87½ as a full figure for choice offerings; milling grades are less firm at range of 90@95c.

RACING AT 'FRISCO.

San Francisco, Mar. 18.—Following were the racing events today:

Five and a half furlongs—Seraphim won in 1:11½.

Half mile, maidens, 2-year-old fillies—Ursula won in 0:51¼.

About six furlongs—Lizzine Hampton colt won in 1:10½.

One mile—Oakland won in 1:47.

Five and a half furlongs—Ferrier won in 1:08½.

About six furlongs—Tigress won in 1:15½.

APPOINTMENTS.

Washington, March 18.—The president today announced the following appointments: Joseph R. Herod, of Indiana, secretary of the legation of the United States to Japan; Henry A. Cemery, interpreter of the consulate at Ningpo, China; George F. Smithers, interpreter to consulate at Osaka and Hiogo, Japan.

THE DEEPEST MYSTERY

Surrounds the Spanish Negotiations.

But No Serious Trouble Feared.

Another Report that an American Schooner Has Been Sunk by a Spanish Ship.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—An impenetrable mystery surrounds the negotiations between the state department and the Spanish government on the Allianca affair. President Cleveland conferred today with Secretaries Gresham and Carlisle. The Allianca affair was gone over and the statement is made that the present aspect of the subject is such as to give assurance that there will be no trouble of a serious character between the United States and Spain.

HAPPILY CLOSED.

Washington, March 18.—Baron Fava the Italian ambassador, expresses his appreciation of the promptness and energy with which the federal authorities and those of Colorado have sought to give Italians the same protection as American citizens at Walsenburg. The incident is closed, as far as international complications are concerned.

Jacksonville, Fla., Mar. 18.—A special to the Florida Citizen from Key West says: A letter has been received from Cuba stating that the Spanish gunboat Alcedeo fired upon and sunk a supposed American schooner off Puerto Padre with sixteen people aboad. It is rumored that the schooner from Key West was the Golden Hind of Key West, which left here several weeks ago for a cargo of fruit, with a crew of sixteen men, had to pass Puerto Padre and may have been the vessel in question. The schooners Louis Hastings and Lily also sailed for fruit several days ago. The latest news from Cuba is that the government has captured a steamer with arms and ammunition at Havana which was to go to Santiago de Cuba. At Santiago several rifles were captured hidden away in the fields.

A CLEVER JAIL BREAK.

SEATTLE, March 18.—A daring jail delivery, headed by the notorious Tom Blanck, twice a murderer, was effected at the county jail here at 7:30 o'clock last night, in which ten prisoners, including three convicted of murder, made their escape. The delivery was accomplished by means of a dummy revolver made of wood.

There were twenty-two prisoners in the cage, including Henry Creamer, Nordstrom, Jim Murphy and W. A. Wilcox, and of the twenty-two nine joined in the break for liberty. At the heels of Murderer Blanck were Lewis, Rutten, Willie Russell (colored), all convicted murderers. They were followed by Frank Hart, sentenced to seven years for grand larceny; C. W. Brown, a counterfeiter; R. H. Ford, sentenced last Saturday to three years for burglary; Chas. Williams, awaiting trial for burglary; Frank Chiefelter, a horse thief from Kent; William Cosgrove, a petty larcenist.

SOME RECAPTURED.

Seattle, March 18.—Up to 1 o'clock this afternoon two of the escaped convicts have been captured, Rutten and Cosgrove. Both were taken at Orillia, south of this city. Blanck was in the company of Rutteth and about twenty feet behind him, but before the officers could hold him he escaped into the thick underbrush.

Neither Rutten nor Cosgrove offered any resistence.

The officers are scouring the country in every direction and it is believed the ultimate capture of the fugitives will be effected.

A liberal reward is offered for their apprehension.

Blanck and Rutten, the Kitsap murderers, were making their way along the county road near Black River junction when they came upon Kelly and Burkman, deputy sheriffs.

The latter two did not think it could be any of the escaped convicts, but ordered "hands up." The tall man, who proved to be Rutten, threw up his hands and walked directly up to the muzzle of Burkman's shotgun, but his partner, Blanck, dodged behind him and in the twinkling of an eye, was gone in the bushes. Burkman said to Rutten: "Where do you come from?" He replied: "The county jail." "And who is your companion?" "Blanck."

TROUBLE AVERTED.

The Work is Evenly Divided and Performed Amicably.

New Orleans, March 18.—A gang of negro laborers who crossed the river this morning to unload the steamer Etolia were met on their arrival by a number of white men and told they would not be allowed to work, and were commanded to return to this side of the river at once. Later, a company from the screwman's association of Jefferson came over and applied for work on the steamer. After a brief conference it was agreed that work on the Etolia should be divided, Jefferson Parish men taking one half and the negroes from this city the other. No further trouble is anticipated at that point.

A HEAVY SENTENCE.

San Francisco, March 18.—John Wilson, the youthful highwayman who cursed and abused Superior Judge Wallace last week after having been sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment for participation in the hold-up of a street car, was brought up for sentence this mornig on another charge of robbery An additional twenty years' imprisonment was imposed. Another youth was previously sentenced to forty years for participation in these two robberies.

POWERFUL COMBINATION.

Postal Employes May Injure Themselves Instead of Helping.

Washington, Mar. 18.—The postoffice department has information of the formation of a powerful combination of postal employes, designed to bring a high pressure upon congress to overturn certain regulations and rules of the department. Te department is now informed that since the failure of legislation in the last congress increasing the pay of these employes, a combination has been formed to pass this legislation and also to overturn those rules of the department which are unsatisfactory to them. A high official of the department said today:

"This combination includes some thousands of employes in the railway mail service, the letter carriers' service and in postoffices. They are all in the classified service and protected from removal. The effect of this combination would be to create a sentiment against the civil service law which protects these employes."

AN UNLUCKY HULK.

Port Townsend, Mar. 18.—Archibald Anderson, third officer of the British ship Lindithgowshire, now in port, was today accidentally struck by a ballast bucket, knocked down into the hold and instantly killed. Within the last three months three deaths occurred aboard that vessel. Her captain died when the ship was entering Valparaiso and his successor just after leaving port, while temporarily insane having jumped overboard. Just before reaching Cape Flattery the second officer fell down the hold and his injuries may prove fatal.

SOME SLY SWINDLING.

Carson, Nev., March 18.—Andrew Mason, superintendent of the New York assay office and government mint inspector, has been in town some time inspecting matters at the United States mint in this city. There are rumors of shortages which run up to something over $75,000 in the melter and refiner's department.

GOOD BILLS DEAD.

Olympia, Mar. 18.—A bill making deductions on the terms of convicts in the penitentiary passed both houses, but will not become a law because it was never enrolled. Four other bills met a like fate in the rush at the closing hours. Among them is Belknap's bill prohibiting prize fighting.

CASH ACCOUNT.

Washington, March 18.—Today's statement of the treasury shows an available cash balance of $184,027,259; gold reserve, $90,466,908.

AN EIGHT ROUND MILL

BETWEEN JAKE KILRAIN AND STEVE O'DONNELL.

Declared a Draw and John L. Sullivan Anxious to Match the Winner —Exciting Scene.

BOSTON, Mar. 18.—In the presence of 3,000 people at the Suffolk Athletic club tonight Jake Kilrain of Baltimore and Steve O'Donnell of Australia, Corbett's sparring partner, fought eight rounds and at the close Patsy Shepard, the referee, amid shouts of "Kilrain," declared the contest a draw. While the referee was making up his mind John L. Sullivan, who sat just outside the ropes, close by Kilrain's corner, mounted a chair, and waving his tile, demanded a decision. When a draw was announced he sprang into the arena and rushed toward O'Donnell's corner. Two of the seconds grabbed him by the arm and turned him aside, but he clasped hands with Kilrain in apparent congratulation and swinging his arms, showed the latter how the fight might have been won. He was ready, he said, to challenge the winner if the referee would only name one. The exchampion was finally led off by his friends and the scene, which caused the wildest excitement, ended. It took the referee five minutes to make up his mind what decision to make. Kilrain had the best of the last round and at times it looked as if he was going to put O'Donnell out. He had not the force, however, but his old time pluck asserted itself and with his wild rushes he dazed the Australian boy.

WANTS MORE PAY.

Cincinnati, March 18.—One hundred and fifty colored coal heavers at Addison struck today for an advance in pay, and, armed with stones, clubs, etc., declared they would prevent others from taking their places. In consequence of the strike the Additson pipe and steel works will be crippled for coal.

THE CANAL ALL RIGHT.

Tacoma, March 18.—Congressman W. H. Doolittle arrived home today from Washington. He was one of the strongest advocates of the Nicaragua canal measure. Doolittle had sounded many of the new members and says they are solid for the canal.

MAY RESIGN.

Washington, March 18.—It is understood in supreme court circles that Justice Jackson will resign from the bench of the supreme court next fall if his health does not permit him to resume active work.

GOLD COMING.

New York, March 18.—The steamship Lucania, from Liverpool, brought $1,510,000 gold to August Belmont & Co. The steamship La Gascogne, from Havre, brought 4,000,000 francs in gold.

RESURRECTION.

Boston, Mar. 16.—John L. Sullivan will challenge the winner of the Kilrain-O'Donnell fight here next Monday night.

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BRITAIN PLAYS BULLY

An Ultimatum Sent to Nicaragua.

Bars Our Citizens from Arbitration.

General Ezeta Living in Hopes of a New Rebellion in His Interest.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, March 18.—The British government, through its minister here, has submitted an ultimatum to Nicaragua. It demands a cash indemnity of £15,000 as smart money to pay for the expulsion of Mr. Hatch, British consular agent, during the troubles of last year and also for the appointment of a commission to investigate the damages sustained by persons and property of British subjects who were expelled from Mosquito reservation about the same time. By the terms of the ultimatum Great Britain is to name one of the commissioners and Nicaragua another, and these two to choose a third, who shall not be a citizen of the United States. It was also made known that a British warship is now on her way to Nicaragua to enforce these demands, which must be complied with within seven weeks from the 25th of February, the last date of the ultimatum.

MAY MAKE TROUBLE.

Washington, March 18.—It is impossible to learn positively whether the state department has been advised officially of the demands upon Nicaragua by Great Britain, but it is assumed that our own government is fully posted in regard to the matter. It cannot be denied that his new incident, taken in connection with the hostile attitude of Great Britain towards Venezuela, promises to lead to trouble of a character much more serious than the incident of the Allianca. There are questions of indemnity arising in Venezuela growing out of the claims preferred by other European nations. Many of the claims grew out of the failure of these republic to meet their obligations to foreign debtors under the stress of hard times and the influence of the worldwide depression in trade. As European governments appear to be moving to collect these individual debts on their own account, it is a question that the United States must speedily settle as to how far it is prepared to permit this process to go on. Besides, there is a rather disagreeable reflection upon American citizens in the disputation that none such shall serve on the commission to adjudge the damage. On the whole, it is probable that the president will interfere to secure at least an amelioration of the terms of the ultimatum by an appeal to the British government, representing the great hardship that it would work to Nicaragua under her present depressesd condition to prefer the demand for so large an indemnity.

GEN. EZETA'S HOPES.

San Francisco, March 18.—General Antonio Ezeta, who is safely housed in a comfortable hotel here, announces that a new rebellion in his interest has taken place in San Salvador. Last steamer from the south brought a letter to Ezeta stating that on February 1st last President Gutierrez unearthed a conspiracy that had been hatched for the purpose of reinstating Ezeta as head of the government of San Salvador. Under Guiterrez' orders all of the leading conspirators were shot. Among them were Colonels Barrios and Salgedo and Captain Mangandi. The letter adds that all prisoners who were in jail since the last uprising were ordered to be hanged. Colonel Vasquez, supposed leader of the plotters, had been hanged by a mob of indignant citizens.

COULD FEED THE WORLD.

Rabbits Would Soon Populate Large Islands for a Meat Supply.

With the constant increase of the population of the world, the disciples of Malthus have predicted an inadequate food supply for the future. The chemists have sought to reassure mankind with the prophecy of food manufacture in the laboratory from the basic elements of the earth, air and water around us. A new hope for the poor is now held out by a Norwegian sociologist, who finds a sure salvation in the rabbit. Meek little "bunny," is to keep the wolf from the door.

"The rabbit," this new philosopher of diet declares, "supplies in many ways the requirements of 'the poor man's food.' The poor can easily raise them, for they are cheap to keep, and their propagating power is most extraordinary. Pennant has calculated that one pair will in four years' time, if all the young ones be kept alive, have multiplied into 1,274,840. A female rabbit casts young ones eight times a year; if she casts seven, at the average, she bears fifty-six per year. Let us say she bears fifty per year, and estimate each ten pounds; she produces 500 pounds of meat in a year. As many poor people could get the rabbit's food free of cost, they could practically get a few hundred pounds of meat for nothing. Then, too, the rabbit skins are worth something, when prepared. Under various names 20,000,000 rabbit skins are exported yearly from Australia to London. London alone uses every week 500,000 rabbits, most of which come from Belgium. Belgium earns yearly $10,000,000 to $12,000,000 on rabbits, and France $80,000,000."

The best breed for the purpose of food, in the opinion of this writer, is the Norman rabbit, bred in the neighborhood of Cherbourg and Rouen. If the domestic raising of rabbits should be begun on a wholesale scale in the United States, the government would eventually be obliged to regulate the prolific rate of productivity or the woes of the farmers and of the South Carolina fruit raisers would overwhelm the country.—Philadelphia Record.

ENDING IN SMOKE.

(A Foreign Railway Sketch.)

He had comforted himself down in the corner of a first-class railway compartment. He was alone in the carriage.

The train, which was just on the point of starting, would run for four hours without stopping.

"Four hours' quiet, uninterrupted read," he told himself, "accompanied by a fat cigar."

And he purred at the prospect of reading and smoking—and smoking undisturbed by the quibbles of chance acquaintances. And he did everything so easily, so elegantly—he was a gentleman. He placed a handful of papers by his side. He produced a jewelled cigar-case from his breast pocket. He put a cigar betwen his lips. He closed the case with a snap, and returned it to its resting-place—slowly, calmly. From his trousers pocket he produced a pearl penknife, with which he clipped the cigar, and then returned the knife to its resting-place—calmly, slowly. From his waistcoat pocket—what a host of pockets men have, to be sure!—he produced a silver matchbox and struck a light.

The guard blew his whistle.

In dashed a young lady breathlessly. She scrambled into the seat opposite the young gentleman. The gentleman paused. The gentleman swore, but the young lady did not hear him. The train glided out of the station. The young lady arranged her skirts, and as she did so she saw the match burn to the end. She saw the cigar-case produced, the cigar replaced among its fragrant companions, and the case returned to the pocket. She chuckled—almost aloud. He swore—almost aloud. He buried himself in his paper. She laughed—outright. He looked over his paper. And what did he see? He saw a little neatly gloved hand find its way into a tailor-made skirt pocket. He saw a cigarette between the first and second fingers of the left hand, and a match between the finger and thumb of the right. And what did he hear?

"I hope Monsieur does not object to smoke?"

FEEDING WHEAT.

J. B. Hoyt, Bird's Landing, Solano county, California, writes the S. F. Rural Press: "With a yield of twenty-five bushels per acre, wheat costs me $1.10 per 100 in sacks on ranch—thirty bushels, 95 1-3 cents. The land is valued at $65 per acre, and should yield, in order to make wheat-growing profitable at one cent per pound, thirty-five bushels per acre. A portion of Dixon, Rio Vista and Montzuma townships now yield this amount. I have fed rolled wheat to horses and mules—three sack of barley to two of wheat; to milch cows, half shorts and half wheat and find it is excellent. At present prices I think it would be more profitable for growers to feed a large proportion of their wheat to cattle and swine if the prices do not decline.

"I have just dressed thirteen pigs that were fed on rolled wheat. They were a cross between pure Berkshire and Poland-China. Their age varied from eight to twelve months old. The last three months they were fed entirely on wheat, the thirteen eating ten sacks of rolled wheat in eight days. The eight-months-old dressed 225 to 240 pounds; the twelve-months-old dressed 340 to 380 pounds.

"This is the first time I ever fed wheat, and is the greatest gain in weight ever had on this ranch. I am slopping milch cows with wheat and shorts and they are doing finely.

"Our soil is adobe loam, not of the black character. It costs me $1.35 per ton to deliver wheat at Port Costa from the ranch. The last two seasons we have averaged from thirty-five to thirty-eight bushels per acre—some as high as fifty bushels. Twenty-five bushels would be a short crop in the Montzuma hills."

EDITING IN CHINA.

The following is said to be an exact translation of the letter sent by a Chinese editor to a would-be contributor, whose manuscript he found it necessary to return:

"Illustrious Brother of the Sun and Moon, behold thy servant prostrate before thy feet. I kowtow to thee and beg that of thy graciousness thou mayst grant that I may speak and live. Thy honored manuscript has deigned to cast the light of its august countenance upon us. With rapture we have perused it. By the bones of my ancestors never have I encountered such wit, such pathos, such lofty thought. With fear and trembling I return the writing. Were I to publish the treasure you sent me the emperor would order that it should be made the standard, and that none be published except such as equalled it. Knowing literature as I do, and that it would be impossible in 1,000 years to equal what you have done, I send your writing back. Ten thousand times I crave your pardon Behold my head is at your feet. Do what you will. Your servant's servant.

"THE EDITOR."