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BRAZIL'S COFFEE TRADE.

Will Fight France if That Country
Takes by Tariff Brazilian
Exports.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)
RIO DE JANEIRO, February 22.—In a conversation with the representative of the Associated Press, Dr. Campos Sales, president of the republic, said: "The great need of Brazil is to furnish new markets and to enlarge the former ones for the coffee of Brazil. Of course you will understand that I cannot speak of all the diplomatic measures taken to advance the cause in Europe, but our Centro De Savora De Cafe has taken charge of the propaganda in Europe. I am informed that in Germany, Italy and especially in Spain everything is progressing wonderfully."

"It is almost certain that commercial conventions will be made by which Belgium will take all the coffee, if not far more than has been heretofore taken by Havre, while Hamburg, Genoa, Trieste, Flum, Barcelona and Spanish ports will more than double what has been sent to other French ports."

"Already arrangements have been made with German, Austrian and Italian and other lines of steamers to open direct lines with Santos, Rio Janeiro and Bahia on the Brazilian end and Cadiz, Valencia and Barcelona at the Spanish end."

"I am sure that I am not unduly sanguine when I say that should France continue to insist on her present selfish policy she alone will lose by her want of foresight."

"From Belgium, Spain, Italy and other countries, the French consumers of our coffee will receive their usual, if not far larger, quantities of our coffee at a price far inferior to what they now pay, while all the trade between France and Brazil in articles bought at present in Paris, can be furnished as just as well by London, Berlin and other European markets."

"The Centro De Savora De Cafe is only waiting for the last word of our ministers at Rio Janeiro and in European countries to begin a crusade in favor of our coffee in every city and town in Germany, Italy, Spain, Austria and Russia."

"We have received telegrams from the Spanish agent, Barragan, who left Rio at the end of February, confirming all the statements made to us while here."

"The present policy of Spain, after losing all her coffee and sugar producing colonies, is highly profitable, not only to her different markets, but to ours."

"The policy of Italy is also very favorable to the growth of our trade and all the ports of the Mediterranean. We have already powerful aids in the Lloyds of Austria, and Royal Hungarian Schir, which are already making voyages between Brazil and the ports of the Levant, where we expect to extend the sale of our coffee to Constantinople, as well as other ports."

"Early in May and perhaps in April, we hope to be able to show a great improvement in our foreign trade. The more we extend the use of our products, the better the price of the article."

The correspondent of the Associated Press today received a telegram from Paris stating that U. Callaux, French minister of finance, has resolved to double the duty on Brazilian coffee, and he requested Dr. Campos Sales, president of the republic of Brazil, to state what would be the policy of his government in such an event and what would be the result, financially and commercially, to Brazil and to France. His excellency said that the two governments were still in the act of negotiating in regard to the question of coffee, in fact the Brazilian government required a decrease of at least 30 per cent on the actual tariff, to begin with. The system of maximum tariff was adopted in France in 1892 and Brazil adopting the same system had no intention of making reprisals but meant simply to oblige those countries that employed a prohibitive duty to modify the practices or suffer the consequences. If the facts stated in the telegram are true, then the series of articles published in the *Siecle* are true and the act, classified by M. Yves Guyot as an act of madness on the part of the minister of finance, would cause the ruin of French trade with Brazil without in any way affecting Brazil.

All the Brazilian coffee sold in France would reach the French markets through Belgium, Spain, Italy and even Germany at a cheaper price while all the goods imported at present from France of French cloths, and trimmings, 7,000,000 francs of playthings, brushes, buttons, etc.; six million francs of prepared skins; five millions of butter; six million of cotton goods; six million of ready made clothes; three million of wine; two million five hundred thousand of paper cards; over two million of metal products; two million of drugs and machines; one million of machinery, and for many millions of francs of silk, glass and hardware, saddles, crystals, perfumery, etc. Dr. Campos Sales refuses to believe that France will adopt so suicidal a policy towards a country that is it possible more French in its habits, policy and manners than Portugal, having even adopted the 14th of July as a national festival.

The president showed statistics proving that the policy supposed to have been adopted to protect the coffee colonies of France, does not even benefit her colonies and that out of about 1,500,000 bags of coffee used in France no more than 15,000 bags are produced by her colonies and the president affirmed that, in the case of S. Paulo there are hundreds of fazendas that produce over 20,000 bags of coffee.

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Notice is hereby given to all parties holding Clatsop county warrants endorsed prior to February 25, 1898, to present the same to the county treasurer at his office at 164 Tenth street, for payment. Interest ceases after this date.
H. C. THOMPSON,
County Treasurer.
Dated Astoria, Or., this 19th day of March, 1900.

BITTER ATTACK UPON ENGLAND

Steyn's Representative Gives
What He Claims Are Facts.

CHAMBERLAIN FORCED WAR

No Conspiracy Between the Orange
Free State and Transvaal—Cape
Colony Dutch Were Loyal.

NEW YORK, March 22.—"In behalf of President Steyn, I want to make it clear," said Philip Louwer Wessels, the Free State's envoy to America, to a World reporter, "that there was no conspiracy between the Transvaal, the Free State and the Cape Dutch against England, as is intimated in a Cape Town cable in today's World."

The dispatch referred to was cabled from Cape Town and read: "The real objective point of the Boer delegation—Messrs. Miescher, Wessels and Wolmarans—which recently left Delagoa bay, is Russia. I have it on the best authority that those gentlemen took with them all the secret incriminating documents from Pretoria, thus making it difficult for England to implicate President Steyn and the Afrikanerbond party in Cape Colony in a conspiracy against Great Britain."

The Mr. Wessels interviewed by the World reporter—a brother of Mr. Cornelius M. Wessels, mentioned in the cable, who is the president of the Free State Volksraad (legislature)—followed up his denial of the existence of a conspiracy by saying:

"There never were any documents incriminating President Steyn and the Afrikanerbond ministry of Cape Colony. If there had been any secret understanding the colonial Dutch would have prepared for war and would have armed in time for a movement against Britain simultaneously with the Transvaal and the Free State. I was in the house of parliament in Cape Colony, when Premier Schreiner made his speech urging all the members to influence their constituents to remain neutral."

"President Steyn believes that Sir Alfred Milner was sent to South Africa as British high commissioner by Mr. Chamberlain purposely to crush the Afrikaners, for Sir Alfred distinctly told Mr. Molteno, a member of the Cape parliament, that England's ultimate purpose was to annihilate the Afrikaners. This, I can prove. That policy was determined upon when the Afrikaner element outvoted the English party in Cape Colony."

"I was at Bloemfontein during the negotiations between the Free State and Sir Alfred and I know that neither the Transvaal nor the Free State expected that friendly relations between England and the republics would be broken. We thought Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Alfred were bluffing the Transvaal in connection with the Uitenhage franchise."

"The Orange Free State was totally unprepared for war, and not until after the Jameson raid did the Transvaal begin to think of war in earnest."

"I met my brother Cornelius at Cape Town four days before war was declared and he told me then that he did not expect actual hostilities."

"There would have been no war had not Sir Alfred Milner been sent to Africa by Mr. Chamberlain for the express purpose of bringing it about, in pursuance of the English policy to wipe out the Afrikaners and grab everything in sight."

WHOLESALE POISONING.

Over An Hundred Persons Seriously
Ill From Eating Chicken Salad.

CHICAGO, March 22.—A special to the Record from Lima, O., says: Last night about 100 persons were taken suddenly ill from poison effects after attending a dinner given by the Women's Home Missionary Society, of Trinity church. Some of them are still in a precarious condition and several will die. The poison has been traced to chicken salad.

EXTEND THE GLAD HAND.

The Dalles Times-Mountaineer.
The Astoria Push Club and the Astoria chamber of commerce have determined to visit The Dalles, probably on March 26. Come right along, gentlemen! The Dalles wants to get acquainted with you. The Dalles will shake hands with the neighbors at the mouth of the Columbia. As Sam Seiler would say, "We want you like you," and if you will come up here and get a little of Eastern Oregon push and enterprise into your veins you will be most desirable neighbors. Just come up and learn what you have been missing in years past by not getting in touch with the inland Empire.

CURTIS CAPACIOUS POCKET.

Evening News.
Mr. Curtis indignantly denies that he stole the "Nickel-in-the-slot" bill. It is recalled, however, that Mr. Curtis was counsel for defendant in a case against a local merchant, charged with sampling by means of one of these ill-fitting little devices. In arguing the case Mr. Curtis played a trump by showing that the "nickel-in-the-slot" law was unconstitutional, for the reason that the bill passed by the house was a printed copy and not the original, which was in his (counsel's) pocket.

The woman who is talked about is generally virtuous, and she is only abused because she dares to use the charms which all wish to enjoy.

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MISS CARRIE G. ATKINS, Sag Harbor, N. Y., writes:

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ANNOUNCEMENT...

WE beg to announce that after a careful survey of the many business towns of Oregon McALLEN & McDONNELL have decided to remain in Astoria for the present, as the future prospects and present business outlook compare favorably with any seen. Consequently we have replenished our Astoria house with the latest and best line of Dry Goods ever assorted. You can confidently buy of us as we protect you in styles and prices. Thanking you in advance for your future patronage as in the past, we remain, respectfully yours,

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Astoria, Or., March 22, 1900.
Sealed proposals will be received at this building until 2 o'clock p. m., April 3, 1900, for furnishing fuel, lights, water, miscellaneous supplies, washing towels, hauling ashes, and sprinkling streets for this building during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1901, or such portion of the year as may be deemed advisable. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved by the treasury department.
JOHN FOX,
Custodian.

TO PARIS IN 1900.

The passenger department of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway has taken advantage of the current interest in the Paris Exposition and has printed for free distribution one of the most charming books of the season, entitled, "Glimpses Across the Sea." Its contents describe a recent voyage across the Atlantic made by Sam T. Clover, journalist and author, and includes his diversified experiences in London and Paris. The "Glimpses" are entertaining and instructive to the prospective western patrons of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway, who may be contemplating a trip to Europe. The enterprise of the railway company in anglicizing such a happy departure from the ordinary methods of advertising is commendable.

Nature has her laws, and this is one of a fair day's wages for a fair day's work. There is much to lament in the world that I can spare no pang for the past.

Who should sympathize with the poor but the poor? When the people support the people, the divine blessing will not be wanting.

In estimating the accuracy of political opinion one should take into consideration the standing of the opinionist. Modern science has vindicated the natural equality of man.

NOTICE TO FISHERMEN.

The fishing season opens at 12 m. on the 15th day of April, 1900. All fishermen are requested to take out their licenses before they begin fishing; as no license will be issued from the patrol boat this season. Anyone found fishing without a license, or not having their boats and gear numbered as the law requires, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

Licenses may be had at 409 Bond street, Astoria, Oregon, or 407 Oregonian building, Portland, Oregon.
F. C. REED,
Fish Commissioner.

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Some Interesting Figures.

Capital Stock of the Four Great Banks of the World, Dec. 31, 1900.

Bank of England,	\$86,045,793
Bank of France,	38,050,000
Imperial Bank of Germany,	28,580,000
Bank of Russia,	25,714,920
Total,	\$176,372,855

Funds held by the Mutual Insurance Company for the payment of its policies, December 31, 1900, **\$301,844,537**

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Eczema broke out on my daughter, and continued to spread until her head was entirely covered. She was treated by several good doctors, but grew worse, and the dreadful disease spread to her face. She was taken to two celebrated health springs, but received no benefit. Many patent medicines were taken, but without result, until we decided to try S. S. S., and by the time the first bottle was finished, her head began to heal. A dozen bottles cured her completely and left her skin perfectly smooth. She is now sixteen years old, and has a magnificent growth of hair. Not a sign of the dreadful disease has ever returned.

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