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PANAMA CANAL.

Terms Announced Upon Which It Can Be Bought by the United States.

NEW YORK, May 7.—In order to remove the objection raised by the Isthmian canal commission, the Panama Canal Company, with the approval of the Colombian government, says the Washington correspondent of the Herald, has announced the terms upon which it will sell the Panama canal to the United States. The letter containing its proposition was submitted to Rear-Admiral Walker, chairman of the commission, by Dr. Martinez Silva, Colombian minister.

No price is set by the company for its property and franchise. It suggests the appointment of appraisers—one by the United States and one by the company, these two appraisers to select a third—the estimate of the board thus formed to be final. No conditions whatever are attached to the proposal. It is a clean offer, it is explained by advocates of the Panama canal route, and will have an important effect upon the final recommendations of the commission.

"The concession of the company contains a provision," Senator Silva said, "under which it becomes forfeited the moment the company enters into negotiations with a foreign government for the transfer of its rights. Before the submission of the preliminary report, the commission did not have the permission of the Colombian government to enter into negotiations with the United States and M. Hutin, president of the company, was therefore unable to announce the terms upon which the concession might be sold. In its preliminary report the commission referred to its inability to make a proposition and placed stress upon it as an important objection in the way of the acquisition by the United States of the canal."

The Colombian government, desirous of removing all obstacles in the way of American construction of the waterway, has given permission to the company to state the terms upon which it is willing to sell."

The Walker commission estimated the value of the work done and the property of the Panama company at about \$34,000,000. Something, it is believed by the company, should be paid for its franchise and for the work done solving the various problems in connection with the construction of the canal. All this is a matter, however, for the board proposed to be formed under its proposal, in case the United States determines to complete the Panama waterway.

NEW ARMS SYNDICATE.

Will Construct Naval Vessels and Make Ammunition.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The Herald says: Announcement has been made by Chas. H. Williams of this city that a syndicate has been formed to take charge of the Driggs-Seabury Gun & Ammunition Company and that an extensive reorganization of that company is already under way. The consent of a majority of the stockholders has been secured for an increase in the capital stock of the company from \$1,000,000 to \$3,000,000 and the company has agreed to supply at least \$500,000 cash for additional working capital which will enable it to complete some government contracts.

Extensive connections with other companies are planned, according to

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Mr. Williams, which, if successfully carried out, will enable the company to manufacture a naval vessel complete. "A powerful financial interest which I represent," said Mr. Williams, "has agreed to supply all the cash the company will require in its operations. We expect to make alliances with steel companies to supply armor plate and with other companies which, if purchased or controlled by us in the future, will form a consolidation capitalized at \$50,000,000. Just at present, however, our negotiations are not in such a shape as will permit us to give any further details."

In connection with the increase in the capital stock of the Driggs-Seabury Co. it was said that the American Ordnance Co., which is controlled by Chas. R. Flint, was to be absorbed by the former company. This, however, was denied.

UNVEILING OF TABLETS.

National Organizations Will Have Charge of Exercises at Hall of Fame.

NEW YORK, May 7.—At a meeting of the New York University council last night, Chancellor MacCracken said that so far as possible national organizations will have charge of the unveiling of particular tablets in the Hall of Fame on Memorial Day. So far as arrangements have been received, these organizations will unveil tablets as follows:

Washington—The Society of the City of Cincinnati; Franklin—The Colonial Dames, the first vice-president, Miss Gillespie, a descendant of Franklin, acting for the society; Jefferson—Sons of the American Revolution; Webster, Daughters of the American Revolution; Lincoln—The Military Order of the Loyal Legion, represented by General Schofield; Asa Gray—the Botanical Society of America, represented by Prof. B. L. Robinson, president and Asa Gray, professor of botany at Harvard; Marshall—the American Bar Association through Edmund Weimers, president; Farragut—National Association of Naval Veterans; Lee—the United Daughters of the Confederacy, represented by Miss Mary F. Means; Gilbert Stuart—National Academy of Design; Morse—the American Institute of Electrical Engineers; Whitney—the American Society of Mechanical Engineers; Jonathan Edwards—the Christian Endeavor Society; Beecher—the National Organization of the Young Men's Christian Association; and Peabody, the Peabody Educational Fund, represented by the second vice-president, Dr. J. L. McCurry, of Washington.

ENGLISH BADLY FRIGHTENED.

Plans of J. Pierpont Morgan Furnish Themes for Sensational Press.

NEW YORK, May 7.—J. Pierpont Morgan remains in the for the sensational British press, says the Tribune's London correspondent, and Mr. Carnegie's forecasts of the development of American industrial sources are printed in the largest type. The consolidation of railways and shipping interests of the Atlantic and Pacific seaboard with the possibility that one capital can fix through rates and ocean transportation is now a stock theme with financial writers in England, who display remarkable credulity in accepting elastic statements of the ulterior purposes of American multimillionaires. At the same time they deplore English inability to form counter combinations. Brook Adams' views on a trade war between continent and continent are also quoted in many journals.

Probably there has never been a time when American resources for organization and competition have been equally dreaded in England, but the bulk of the press writing at the present is ill-considered and the importance of Mr. Morgan's operations is grossly exaggerated. It is reported that Mr. Morgan is having two steamers built exclusively for first-class passengers between New York and England and on a scale of magnificence never hitherto attempted.

If artists can only be known by their schools then the greatest among them cannot be known.

NICARAGUAN CANAL.

Engineering Party Just Returned Reports That It Can Be Constructed for \$250,000,000.

NEW YORK, May 7.—The Tribune says:

It is understood that the engineers who have been making test borings and surveys for the Nicaraguan canal, some of whom have just arrived here from Greytown in charge of H. P. Dose, division superintendent, Chief Engineer Inbrie Miller, Mr. Reardon, superintendent of borings and about twenty assistants, the last of the party being expected here in about two weeks on the steamer Allen, believes that a canal across Nicaragua, costing less than \$250,000,000 is feasible. The work would include about fifty miles of embankment and cutting on the east side, the building of a 110-foot dam and a rock cut out of eighteen miles from Lake Nicaragua to the Pacific ocean. The total length of the route is 181 miles. The highest ridge which it would be necessary to cut through is slightly more than three hundred feet high. Great care has been taken to avoid sand.

The work of the commission, of which the surveying for a Nicaragua canal was a part, included the investigation of the country at Darien and a re-investigation of the Panama route. It was not found feasible to build a canal at Darien, owing to the mountains. The lowest gages were the Caladoni, longitude 77.42.43, latitude 8.50.00, with an elevation of 673 feet and Sarsine gage, longitude 77.50.53, latitude 8.55.08, 1096 feet above sea level. A route for a canal with three possible terminals at Greytown was surveyed.

NOW REAL ESTATE DEALER.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Becomes a Director in New York Realty Corporation.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Cornelius Vanderbilt has just joined the ranks of dealers in high-class real estate. He has just been elected a director in the New York Realty Corporation, which was incorporated last week.

Other directors elected were James Speyer, of Speyer & Company; Chas. Steele, of J. Pierpont Morgan & Company, and Charles H. Tweed, of the Southern Pacific Railway Company. These were in addition to the directors selected last week among whom were William F. Havemeyer; Henry Seligman and Oakey Thorne.

The New York Realty Corporation with a capital of \$3,000,000 will buy and sell high-class real estate under the direction of a firm the principals of which are two of the most successful operators in the real estate market.

TAKE TOO LONG VACATION.

New York Banker Criticizes Presbyterian Ministers.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Banker Warner Vannorden told the Presbyterian Union at its meeting last night that ministers took too long vacations during the summer. Some of the most prominent ministers in the city were present. Mr. Vannorden, in discussing the vacation of ministers, said:

"It has become nothing less than a scandal that so many ministers leave their churches for three or four months of the year. Merchants and bankers do not get any such vacations. We are not able to take them. There are a million people living in tenements and they cannot go away for the summer. If we are going to bring the gospel to the people it is not a good thing for the leaders of the work to shrink."

REFUSE TO TALK.

Officials of Watch Companies Refuse to Affirm or Deny Reports.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Officials of the Elgin National Watch Company, whose Chicago offices are at 26 Monroe street, declared they did not know anything of the details concerning a proposed consolidation of the different watch companies. They admit that similar rumors have been abroad at intervals and that eventually something may come of the talk. President Charles H. Hylburn is not in the city but it could not be ascertained whether he had gone east or not. General Manager M. Cutler said:

"I can neither confirm nor deny the Waltham report."

A dispatch from Elgin, Ill., says the Elgin officials of the watch company have nothing to say regarding reports of the company going into a combination with the Waltham Company.

WELL-KNOWN LAWYER DEAD.

Practiced for Two Years in San Francisco and Then Returned to New York.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Clarence M. Foster, a well-known lawyer, died at his home in this city last night. He was a graduate of Dartmouth College and the Columbia Law School. In 1873 he went to San Francisco, where he practiced law for two years. In 1875 he returned to this city and took up his profession here.

WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, May 7.—Wheat, Walla Walla, 60.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 7.—Wheat, December, 1901; cash, 140.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Wheat, July, opening, 72½@72¾; closing, 72½@72¾.

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Our stock is all of it brand-new, our instruments are the very finest and highest grade manufactured in America, and includes every catalogue style of the three greatest American piano-makers, the Chickering, the Weber and the Kimball, as well as such well-known and old-established pianos as the Pease, the Whitney, the Wheelock, the Decker & Son, the Hinz and the Weber Brothers' Orchestra; and, in order to accomplish the object in view within the time specified, we are offering each and every one of them for sale for less money than dealers ordinarily buy them for cash.

As to the Prices.

In order to protect the interests of dealers who handle Kimball and Weber and Chickering pianos, no definite prices at which these instruments are now for sale can be quoted here, but every new piano and organ in stock will be sold at less than the actual wholesale billing, and a discount of from 10 to 50 per cent on actual cash cost will be made on every slightly shopworn, rented or second-hand piano. You will find here now some fine square pianos, Chickering, Steinway, Hallett & Davis, Krantz & Bach, Fischer, and other makes, for sale at \$37, \$48 and \$65, respectively; strictly up-to-date squares, worth \$85, \$110 and \$135 respectively, at the lowest estimate. Several second-hand uprights, and used organs, for a mere song, \$137 and \$147 will secure choice of several beautiful brand-new \$275 uprights, of well-known New York make, that have never been sold, East or here in the West, for less than \$235. And other instruments will go for still less money, though all are good, reliable pianos.

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This sale, as above, will be at 351 Washington street, in our new Music Block, commencing at 10 o'clock this (Thursday) morning, and if you have any possible use for a piano or an organ, come at once, and do not delay, for times are prosperous now, many will take advantage of this opportunity at this time of year, and we will turn this stock into money or paper within a very few days. Store open day and night till stock is closed out.



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