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OUR NATIONAL LEGISLATION

Oleomargarine Bill Passed the Senate; Also Tax on Fake Butter.

IS IT BRITISH TREACHERY?

Gov. Heard of Louisiana Reports A British Camp at Chalmette.—British Consul Denies It.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—At the conclusion of a lively debate today, the senate passed the oleomargarine bill by a vote of 39 to 21.

The measure as passed by the senate differs in some respects from that passed by the house. It provides that any person who sells oleomargarine and who shall mix with it any artificial coloring, shall be held to be a manufacturer; that upon oleomargarine colored to resemble butter, a tax of 10 cents a pound shall be levied; that upon adulterated butter a tax of 10 cents a pound shall be levied, and upon all process or renovated butter the tax shall be one-fourth of one cent a pound.

The measure provides the regulations for collection of taxes and prescribes minutely how the various products are to be prepared for market.

CUBAN RECIPROCITY.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—The first of the minority reports on Cuban reciprocity bill was filed today by Representative McClellan of New York of the ways and means committee, who argues that the bill gives Cuba much less in the way of relief than she is justly entitled to.

McClellan sums up the sugar situation in Cuba and in this country as follows:

"First, the bill does not afford sufficient relief to Cuba, but it minimizes the loss of the present crop of sugar; second, it is possible but not certain that a 20 per cent reduction of Cuban tariff will result in giving us a monopoly of the Cuban market; third, the bill is an enunciation of the Democratic doctrine of reciprocity. It is a breach in the wall of protection and lowers in part the preposterous Dingley rates."

A BRITISH CAMP.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—Secretary Hay has received from Governor Heard of Louisiana a statement alleging the existence of a British camp at Chalmette, just below New Orleans, on the Mississippi river. The governor's communication is voluminous, comprising statements and affidavits intended to disclose the character of the alleged camp. By direction of the president it has been referred to the attorney general with the view of securing an opinion on certain legal points involved and meanwhile it will not be given out for publication.

REVENUE CUTTER SERVICE.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—The senate bill to promote the efficiency of the revenue cutter service passed the house today by a vote of 135 to 49. Opponents of the measure fought it to the last ditch. At the end they attempted to filibuster but were swept by an overwhelming majority in favor of the measure.

DENIED THE STATEMENT.

ST. LOUIS, April 3.—Major General Sir Richard C. Stewart, in charge of the remount service of the British army, upon being shown the telegram from New Orleans that Governor Heard of Louisiana had reported to the state department at Washington that the British government is maintaining a military camp at New Orleans in violation of the neutrality law said:

"This is the first information that such a thing as a military camp is

located near New Orleans. There have been shipments camp is located near Orleans. There have been shipments of horses and mules for the British army from a point a few miles from New Orleans, but I do not think the United States government would consider that a military camp."

HIG MINE DEAL.

DENVER, April 3.—The Republican today says:

The Camp Bird mine near Ouray, Col., owned by Thomas F. Walsh, has been practically sold to the Venture Corporation of London, John Hays Hammond, the noted mining expert, has just returned to Denver from an inspection of the mine and while he refuses to discuss the matter in any detail it is learned from mining men in a position to know that the price upon which it was agreed to sell was \$5,500,000.

SCARCITY OF MATERIAL

MAY CAUSE ADVANCE IN IRON MARKET.

Labor Trouble Threatens to Cause Disturbance of a Serious Nature.

NEW YORK, April 3.—In its current issue the Iron Age says:

The struggle to hold values down continues unabated, with indications that the market is not fully under control of the conservative element. Negotiations have continued between the United States Steel Corporation and the Bessemer Association, the furnace men holding out for better terms for the requirements of fourth quarter, on the ground that sales are being made at very much better figures and that other grades of iron are selling at a much better price, relatively. The impression prevails that \$17 at valley furnaces, \$17.75 Pittsburgh, may be the basis of the new contracts. To the leading interest the matter seems to be a question chiefly of the effect of higher prices on sentiment, since the existence of many sliding scales based upon the price of Bessemer pig iron will largely compensate for any actual advance paid.

In the foundry iron trade the leading southern producers still hold to the official quotation of \$12 for No. 2 at Birmingham, which applies to the markets of the Central West. Still, other Southern interests and the Northern furnaces are selling some iron at higher prices.

Pittsburg reports the sale of 25,000 tons Bessemer pig for malleable iron purposes.

In the Atlantic seaboard markets the scarcity of pig iron is emphasized by the fact that a very considerable part of the tonnage usually available as foundry iron has been diverted earlier in the year into basic pig, chiefly for the Pittsburgh market.

The danger of labor troubles is clouding the horizon. With the enormous current consumption any check in production, be it only trifling, will kill a good deal of business.

A moderate amount of business continues to be done in foreign steel.

In the finished iron trade the reports are all favorable as to tonnage. In fact, in some important branches the flow of orders booked is greater than the current deliveries so that it is becoming more and more hopeless to catch up.

PRICE OF SILVER.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Silver, 54.

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ADDRESS FROM LITTLE CUBA

The President Elect of the Cuban Republic Writes to New York.

FOR RELATIVES OF TRADE

Cuba is to Become One of the Largest Markets to American Commerce.—We Beat the Entire World.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Tomas Estrada Palma, president-elect of the Cuban republic, addressed the New York Chamber of Commerce today. Mr. Palma said:

"With my conviction that the best and surest way to attack one country to another, consists in building up and strengthening trade relations through the reciprocal exchange of products and the development of other interests in the same line. I am anxious to see both countries closely connected by a reciprocal commercial treaty, drawn on the most favorable terms, the treaty to the end that Cuba becomes the largest market in America for products of the United States, and that this country raise the bar now placed against the Cuban products on sugar and tobacco which are the principal staples of the island and constitute the only basis we have to start on the unfolding of other industries."

SHOOTING CONTEST.

KANSAS CITY, April 3.—Of the 112 wing shots who had not missed a bird when shooting in the Grand American Handicap which stopped yesterday, 93 dropped out today, leaving 54 who will have a straight score. As there are 63 moneys to be divided it is certain that not all of the winners will have a straight score, but no one who kills less than 34 birds will receive any part of the purse.

TURNER IN POLITICS.

SPOKANE, April 3.—In response to the petition urging legislation that will provide for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, Senator George Turner says: "Not only will I vote for such a measure but will work for it as well."

PORTLAND DEMOCRATS.

PORTLAND, April 3.—The Democratic county convention met today and after electing delegates to the state convention adjourned until April 19. The question of fusion with the portion of the Republican party opposed to the independent Republican movement is unsettled.

BOERS AND ENGLISH.

KROONSTADT, April 3.—Acting President Schalkburcher has opened negotiations with President Steyn, who has been located with Delarey and Kemp, but the whereabouts of the party has not been ascertained. De Wet has been located near Boshof.

IN FAVOR OF STRIKERS.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Justice Gaynor, in the supreme court of Brooklyn handed down a decision that strikers may maintain a picket line. The justice denied an injunction to restrain the strikers from patrolling and picketing the streets with a view of inducing or compelling men at work to join the strike.

OREGON DEMOCRACY.

TOLEDO, Ore., April 3.—The Democratic county convention today adopted resolutions pledging the delegates to the state convention to support George B. Chamberlain for governor.

GOOD FOR THE COUNTRY.

NEW YORK, April 3.—Ellen M. Stone, the American missionary, ac-

ording to the Tribune's London correspondent, has definitely decided not to deliver a lecture in this country, as her voice will not stand the strain of public speaking just yet. She will sail from Liverpool for New York on Saturday. Her injured knee still gives her trouble.

BACK ON SCHEDULE.

BUTTE, Mont., April 3.—Three Great Northern trains, blockaded for four days by the blizzard in North Dakota, arrived late last night. The regular schedule will be resumed tonight. Traffic also has been resumed on the Northern Pacific in this state.

WHEAT MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—Wheat, May, opened, 71 3/4%; closed, 71 1/2%.
 TACOMA, April 3.—Wheat, bluestem, 65; club, 64.
 PORTLAND, April 3.—Wheat, Walla, Walla, 64@65; bluestem, 66; Valley, 65.

GEN. FREDRICK FUNSTON

HE IS STILL VAMPING ABOUT PHILIPPINES.

His Opinion of the Natives is not Very Flattering Under Present Conditions.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 3.—General Frederick Funston was the guest of honor at a banquet given last night by the Ohio Society. In response to a toast, he said in part:

"After the first three or four months of fighting, the Filipinos forsook all civilized methods of fighting and began a guerrilla warfare of a sort unparalleled in history.

"They killed directly or by slow torture nearly 4000 of their own countrymen during the years 1900 and 1901 because they would not contribute money to support the insurgent cause.

"I know of nearly 400 acres in my own district in which natives were buried alive, and many of these were women and children.

"They committed inconceivable atrocities on American soldiers who fell into their hands. I had the pleasure of capturing and hanging some fiends guilty of this.

"The officers in the insurgent army ordered the assassination of each other in order to hold their places. Personally I owe a good deal to Aguinaldo, but he told me he had General Luna killed for no other reason than he was coming to the front too fast.

"The Filipinos are absolutely incapable of self government today and I do not think the next generation of the race will be."

VALUABLE MANUSCRIPT.

NEW YORK, April 3.—A single page folio of "The Charge of the Light Brigade," the original rough proof sheet corrected by Tennyson before it was printed in the Examiner, has been sold at auction in this city for \$440. It was from the collection of A. J. Morgan.

A MILLION THE LOSS

Disasterous Fire at Atlanta City Leaves Hotels In Ruins.

SUMMER GUESTS RUN OUT

Excitement Intense at the Prospect of Destruction of the Sea Front and Resorts.

ATLANTIC CITY, April 1.—Twelve hotels and more than a score of small buildings were destroyed today by fire which swept the beach front for two long blocks, from Illinois avenue to New York avenue. Loss will exceed \$2,000,000. No lives were lost.

The hotels destroyed and the estimated losses are:
 The Lury and annex, \$125,000.
 The New Holland, \$30,000.
 The Stratford, \$40,000.
 The Berkley, \$50,000.
 The Bryn Mawr, \$25,000.
 The Stickney, \$20,000.
 The Rio Grande, \$20,000.
 The Mervine, \$20,000.
 The Academy Hotel and Academy of Music, \$25,000.
 The Windsor, partly destroyed, \$25,000.

During the progress of the fire the wildest excitement prevailed among the guests of the hotels which later became a prey to the flames. With the exception of the Tipton and the Bryn Mawr, all of the hotels were open for the season and most of them fairly well filled. In most cases the guests had sufficient time to pack their trunks.

SICK OFFICER.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., April 3.—Oberlin M. Carter, ex-captain of the engineers in the United States army, is seriously and probably fatally ill in the federal penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth. He has typhoid fever.

A. R. Selsness, formerly of Norway, made declaration for citizenship yesterday, and was given his first papers.

Marriage license was issued to Andrew Mattson and Emma Reppa, both of Astoria, by the clerk late yesterday afternoon.

Mat Wirkala who is at the hospital, suffering from injuries received at Benson logging camp, is resting well and has shown some signs of improvement today. The doctors now consider that he is out of danger, but his recovery will necessarily be slow on account of the extent of the injuries.

The army of Japanese who are spending a few days here while on their way to Alaska are getting a little riskier. They started in to do a few things down in the tenderloin district in their own way but the chief of police is vigilantly watching them and prevents any serious trouble. There are a great number of them here now and more coming every night, to start for Alaska. Over 50 came in last night.

SOME MORE NEW BOOKS.

IN THE FOG.....Richard Harding Davis
 AUDREY.....Mary Johnston
 THE FIFTH STRING.....Souza
 THE SIGN OF THE PROPHET.....Naylor
 LAZARUS.....Mary Hartwell Catherwood
 SYLVIA.....Evalyn Emerson

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