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CAN'T FOOL WITH BOWEN

Our Minister Will Maintain His Position Against Germany, Italy and Great Britain.

HAS MATTER UNDER CONTROL

Will Call Other Creditor Nations in Protest and Thus Throw Case to the Tribunal of The Hague.

Minister Bowen, acting for Venezuela, is administering a severe drubbing to the governments of Germany, Great Britain and Italy, which have demanded that they be given preference in settlement of the claims against the South American republic. Mr. Bowen now proposes to call together the seven other creditor nations in protest against the stand taken by the three powers, which will have the effect of throwing the whole matter to the Hague tribunal—a desideratum devoutly hoped by the United States. Mr. Bowen is handling Venezuela's case in a highly patriotic manner, and has proved himself to be a diplomat of rare ability. That he will bring to time the three grasping nations is certain, and in so doing he will maintain the status of our Monroe doctrine.

Washington, Jan. 30.—The European allies have not yet answered Minister Bowen's proposition, made several days ago, that there shall be no preference of the claims of Germany, Great Britain and Italy against Venezuela over those of the other creditor nations. He still expects a favorable reply to his contention and believes that the questions at issue will be settled at Washington between himself, acting for the government of Venezuela, and the representatives of the powers. It is supposed that an answer to Mr. Bowen's demand has been received in Washington, but reports cannot be confirmed officially, and the answer, if received, was not transmitted.

It became known today that Mr. Bowen has addressed to the representatives of the allies what in a measure might be regarded as an ultimatum, as defining his position. Mr. Bowen declines absolutely to discuss the question, but it is known that he said to the allies that, if they persist in their determination to receive preferential treatment in the matter of settlement of the claims, he would call together the other creditor nations having claims against Venezuela, with a view to their making a formal protest against the demands of those who participated in the blockade. The effect of this would be that the other seven creditor nations would be lined up against the three allied powers, with the result that settlement of the whole matter, in all probability, might go to The Hague, if it is settled at all.

This note is believed to be having its effect in staying final determination of the question by the allied governments.

A BRITISH DISCLAIMER.

Lord Cranbourne Says England Respects Our Monroe Doctrine.

London, Jan. 30.—Lord Cranbourne, under secretary of foreign affairs, in speaking tonight at the banquet of the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce, said that the government's policy in Venezuela was dictated by a determination to defend the interests of her subjects, and that there was no infringement of the Monroe doctrine. This was also the case, he continued, of the United States, which would be a long time before making itself responsible for the disorderly state of affairs in Venezuela.

Lord Cranbourne, concluded by declaring that there was no German and British alliance, but that Great Britain is ready to cooperate with the powers not only in South America, but in Russia.

THE END NOT YET.

But British Diplomats Coming in for Generous Censure.

New York, Jan. 30.—The nation is anxiously awaiting the end of the Venezuelan affair, says a dispatch to the Tribune from London. A temporary impasse seems to have been produced

by the refusal of the three powers to admit equality of treatment all around, but there will probably be a way out of the difficulty. No solution of this international problem can, however, remove the deep impression which was made when the policy of the British foreign office was first revealed to the country. The reputation of the government has been seriously damaged and a warm time, consequently, is in store for the ministers when parliament meets on February 17.

DESERVED REBUKE.

Caracas, Jan. 30.—The captain of the German cruiser Gallies, which was anchored at Puerto Cabello on the occasion of the German emperor's birthday, sent an invitation to the members of the German colony to celebrate the day on board the cruiser. All refused.

SATURDAY ADJOURNMENT HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

Oregon Senate So Decides and Sessions of Both Houses Will Accordingly Be Held Today.

Salem, Jan. 30.—Today's vote on United States senator was as follows:

Pulton	53
Geer	18
Wood	16
Scattering	31
Absent	4

The question of Saturday adjournment was the subject of a warm debate in the senate this morning. President Brown's ruling that such an adjournment would be unconstitutional. Accordingly both houses of the legislature will be in session and will hold on senator in joint session tomorrow.

Tomorrow promises to be a poor day, as many members have packed up and gone to their homes. The senatorial situation remains unchanged.

PRIVATE CLAIMS DAY.

Forty-five Bills Were Acted Upon. Despite Formidable Opposition.

Washington, Jan. 30.—This was private claims day in the house, and the bills on the calendar carried everything before them in committee of the whole.

Forty-five bills in all were acted on favorably despite the efforts of Payne, the republican floor leader, assisted by Cannon and others, to defeat some of them. Many of the claims were old ones. When the committee of the whole reported the bills to the house Payne blocked final passage by making the point of no quorum. But friends of the claims refused to be balked. A motion was made to recess until tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock, in order to continue the legislative day of today and the sergeant-at-arms and deputies were sent out to bring in the absentees. It was 8 o'clock at night before the requisite quorum was secured to carry the motion and let the session go over until tomorrow morning.

MINER LOSER POSITION BECAUSE HE TESTIFIED

Coal Strike Commission Scores Operators for Thus Prohibiting Thorough Investigation

Philadelphia, Jan. 30.—With the exception of the presentation of statistics, the coal operators closed their case before the coal strike commission today, and it is expected the striking miners will begin calling witnesses in rebuttal on Monday.

It developed during the meeting that a miner who testified before the commission had lost his place because he was in Scranton, and the commissioners exacted a promise from the superintendent of the company that he would reinstate him, and expressed the opinion that it was not right to deprive him of his position for testifying before the commission.

OVERMAN IS ELECTED.

Succeeds Pritchard as United States Senator for North Carolina

Raleigh, Jan. 30.—The general assembly of North Carolina today formally elected Leo S. Overman, the nominee of the democratic caucus, as United States senator to succeed Senator Pritchard.

MAY SELL WARSHIPS.

New York, Jan. 30.—La Tarde, the liberal party newspaper of Santiago, asserts that negotiations are in progress for the sale of the Chilean warships now being built in England, says a Herald dispatch from Valparaiso, Chile. The paper adds that Chile and Argentina are discussing the policy of following a joint international policy.

MASCAGNI COMING WEST.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Pietro Mascagni, the Italian composer, left last night for Kansas City, whence, after giving two concerts, he will go to San Francisco for one week. In each city he will conduct orchestras made up of local musicians. Committees of citizens are in charge at either place.

BIG HAUL OF ORE THIEVES

Sensational Robbery Just Brought to Light by Officials at Baker City.

ORGANIZED GANG OPERATED

Had Been Stealing Specimen Ore for the Past Three Months, and the Estimated Loss Is \$100,000.

Baker City, Jan. 30.—The arrest today of Peter Peterson, a miner, in the employ of the Columbia mine near Sumpter, brings to light the most gigantic ore thieving scheme in the mining annals of the west. Peterson is charged with taking 150 pounds of ore from the Columbia mine, which he sold in Sumpter for \$10 per pound. About 50 pounds of this ore were recovered by the officer making the arrest and are now in the possession of the sheriff of this county. The value of the ore is from \$50 to 75 per pound.

About three months ago the manager of the Columbia mine became suspicious of the miners and he employed a detective, who spent three months in the mine and discovered that there was an organized gang of thieves who had been at work for the past three years stealing ore from the Columbia, North Pole, Red Boy, Goconda, Bonanza, Psyche and other mines. They sold ore at a uniform price of \$10 per pound, regardless of its assay value. The ore taken is what is known as specimen ore, that is used by jewelers for ornamental purposes.

It is estimated that the ore taken from the Columbia mine alone is worth \$10,000, and the lowest estimate of the specimens taken from all the mines is \$100,000. Specimens were sent all over the United States. At the present time there is 300 pounds known to be in Portland. Warrants are out for six more men and the officers hope to capture several more within the next 24 hours.

WILL NOT GRANT DEMANDS.

Union Pacific Refuses to Accord to Requests of Strikers.

Omaha, Jan. 30.—At Union Pacific headquarters the following official statement was made today concerning the strike situation:

"Piece work has been a successful system in the shops of our company for six months past, and the committee representing the strikers was told that no change in the system could be made at this time.

"We now have more men in the shops here than we ever had before and their character and skill are all that we could ask. A reduction will soon be necessary because our busiest season is over. The same condition applies to other points on the line."

TWO CORONER'S JURIES MAKING INVESTIGATION

Have Not Yet Finished Taking Testimony in Arizona Wreck Case—Operator Is Missing.

Tucson, Jan. 30.—Two coroner's juries, both claiming jurisdiction, have been in session all day, and neither one has finished taking evidence in an effort to identify the 14 unidentified victims and to place responsibility for Wednesday's disastrous wreck.

The whereabouts of Operator Clough is a mystery. He was in Tucson late in the afternoon of the day of the wreck and gave his evidence to Superintendent Serouff. It is the opinion of officials that he feared arrest or violence and fled to Mexico.

DEEP TUNNEL TRANSIT.

Make Boston to Washington in Three Hours' Less Time.

New York, Jan. 30.—Great gains may be made in running time by a new project to construct a tunnel which is to connect the systems of the New York Central and Pennsylvania railways.

While this tunnel may not be built for at least two years, it is understood that the two railway companies have agreed on the plan, although no official statement has been issued. It is intended to construct a tunnel of unusual depth from the Central yards of the Grand Central station at Forty-sixth street to Madison avenue and down that thoroughfare to Thirty-third street, where a junction will be effected with the tunnel tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad.

At one point the tunnel will reach a depth of 100 feet beneath the surface of the street. One of the great advantages to be gained from the tun-

nel will be a lessening of the running time between Boston and Washington by nearly three hours. Gains in transit would thus be made between all points in New England states and the south.

FOR THE NORTH POLE.

Yankees Will Start in June for the Far North.

Edgartown, Mass., Jan. 30.—Captain Edwin Coffin of Edgartown, Martha's Vineyard, a veteran whaler, says he is to command the William Zeigler Arctic expedition, which will start from Tromsø, Norway, in June, and make another effort to reach the north pole. Mr. Zeigler has placed no limit on the expenses.

"One thing I shall insist upon," said Captain Coffin, "is the selecting of men. I shall have every man on board a Yankee and I shall pick them from the most experienced sailors in this section."

Captain Coffin proposes to provision the America for about three years. There will be about 200 Arctic dogs to draw the sledge party. He will push directly from Franz Josef's Land and then work up in the Arctic fuses as far as the ice conditions will permit.

CAPTAIN TOO COMMON.

Would Call Naval Skippers Commodore Instead.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—The Illinois commandery of the Naval order of the United States, at its annual meeting, has adopted resolutions requesting congress to substitute the rank of commodore for that of captain in the United States navy. The change is urged on the theory that, inasmuch as the mast-of any small merchant vessel is called a captain, the naval officers should have more distinction.

NEW GERMAN MINISTER HERE.

New York, Jan. 30.—Baron von Sternburg, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary from Germany to Washington, arrived today on the steamer August Victoria.

LONG STILL LOW.

Boston, Jan. 30.—Although John D. Long, former secretary of the navy, held his own today, there was no material change in his condition and he continues to be a very sick man.

MAROONED OFF COAST

Singular Plight of Fifteen Persons Who Took Passage on the Steamer Crescent City.

TEN PASSENGERS RESCUED

The Others Could Not Be Got Off and Are Now Prisoners On Fish Rock Off Coast of Mendocino.

San Francisco, Jan. 30.—The steamer Crescent City ran into Fish rock, off the Mendocino coast, during a gale at an early hour this morning. Her passengers and crew, numbering in all about 35, took refuge on the rock. The steamer Scotia was signalled, and, after beating about for several hours, managed to launch a boat, which took 10 of the stranded persons off the rock and transferred them to the Scotia.

The life-saving crew from Point Arena, could not launch a boat, but attempted to shoot lines over the rocks from ashore, but was unsuccessful.

About 15 persons are still on the rock, but are in no danger except from exposure. Tug boats from San Francisco will make attempts to rescue the marooned persons tomorrow.

FAIR BILL IS SIGNED.

Governor Names Commissioners Provided for in Appropriation Measure.

Salem, Jan. 30.—Governor Chamberlain tonight signed the Lewis and Clark fair bill and appointed the following commissioners, as provided thereby:

- Professor F. C. Young of Eugene;
- F. A. Spencer of Portland;
- J. H. Albert of Salem;
- W. H. Thomas of Portland;
- Richard Scott of Milwaukee;
- S. A. Lowell of Pendleton;
- Dr. David Rafferty of Portland;
- J. C. Flanders of Portland;
- Jefferson Myers of Salem;
- Frank Williams of Ashland;
- G. Y. Harry of Portland.

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\$2.75 for	\$2.00
\$3.00 for	\$2.25

Ladies' Flanelette Wrappers, \$1.35 and \$1.25, for	80c
Ladies' Flanelette Wrappers, \$1.00, for	65c

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