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**OFFICERS ARE KNOWN IN THE NORTHWEST**

Many of the army officers whose nominations for promotion were confirmed by the senate Monday have at one time been stationed in the northwest, either at Portland, Vancouver Barracks or Walla Walla, says the Oregonian.  
Of the brigadier-generals confirmed for promotion to the rank of major-general, William A. Kobbe will be remembered as being at one time, about 1887, stationed at Vancouver barracks with the artillery, while Wallace F. Randolph a few years ago was purchasing horses throughout the northwest for the Philippine service.  
Among the colonels confirmed for brigadier-generals is Harry L. Haskell, who was stationed at Vancouver barracks with the Twenty-First Infantry nearly 20 years ago. Charles G. Allen only a few years since was stationed at Walla Walla. William E. Dougherty, shortly after the Spanish-American war, was stationed with the Seventh Infantry, of which he was commander, at Vancouver barracks, and was at that time commander of the post. Frank M. Cox from 1892 until 1898 was chief paymaster of the department of the Columbia, and was stationed in this city. Colonel Francis N. Dodge, whose nomination for paymaster-general has been confirmed, has been stationed both at Walla Walla and in this city.  
Colonel Forest H. Hathaway, chief quartermaster of the department of the Columbia, stationed at Vancouver barracks, will be promoted to the rank of brigadier-general immediately upon his retirement.  
Since September 4, 1862, Colonel Hathaway has been almost continually in the service, having enlisted at that time as a private in Company G, Sixteenth Vermont Infantry, in which he served during the war of the rebellion until he was discharged, February 29, 1867. He was promoted to the rank of captain in the One Hundred and Seventh United States Colored Infantry, June 30, 1864, the title of Brevet-major was conferred on him July 25, 1866, and he was honorably mustered out of the service February 29, 1867.  
In March, 1867, he was appointed a second lieutenant and commenced his career in the regular army anew in the Forty-First Infantry. In September, 1877, he was promoted to a first lieutenant in the Fifth Infantry and February 12, 1882, was promoted to the captaincy and made United States quartermaster. In September, 1894, he was made a major, and in August, 1900, was again promoted, being made lieutenant-colonel and deputy quartermaster general, since when he has lieutenant-colonel and deputy quartermaster of the department of North Philippines and as chief quartermaster of the division of the Philippines.  
The army quartermaster is seldom heard of as a hero in time of war, though the tasks before him are often more difficult to perform than those of the field officer, and much credit has been awarded Colonel Hathaway for his excellent service in this capacity during the Spanish-American war. His brevets for bravery and gallant service while in action are also numerous. Since he has been stationed at Vancouver barracks he has made many friends both in this city and Vancouver, all of whom will be glad to hear of his promotion.

**Military Grounds For Coast.**  
San Francisco, Jan. 20.—The Pacific coast will soon have fine military maneuvering grounds. They will be located in San Luis Obispo county, the choice of three tracts, each containing about 20,000 acres, now under consideration by the government. The property has been favorably reported upon by Colonel George H. Torney and Major William Stephenson, who were sent out here to look into the matter. They describe the lands as being entirely suitable as sites for a permanent military camp, where all the United States troops and state militia could meet and be put through all sorts of maneuvers and drills. For this camp congress is willing to appropriate \$500,000. There are to be three other camps of a similar nature in different parts of the country.

**Billiardist Issues Challenge.**  
New York, Jan. 20.—Jacob Schaefer, the American billiardist now here has published a letter, says a Herald dispatch from Paris, challenging any billiard player in the world for two matches, one at 18 inch balk line, two shots in, 3000 points, 500 points each night, the matches to be played with two and three eight inch balls on a five by ten table.  
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**SCHWAB OFFERS RELEASE OF BETHLEHEM PROPERTIES**

**Proposition Made by Star Witness in the Shipbuilding Case to Settle.**

**Plan Will Not Be Accepted—Evident Idea of Magnate is to Effect Reorganization of Company, Workings of Which Have Been Freely Aired in Courts.**

New York, Jan. 20.—Charles M. Schwab has made the first mortgage bondholders who are pressing the action for a permanent receivership for the United States Shipbuilding Company, what is tantamount, says the Times, to an offer releasing his hold on the Bethlehem steel property. The offer came as the result of a long series of conferences which wound up in a meeting of three hours duration in Mr. Schwab's office. It was, however, not accepted, nor did the conditions under which it was discussed later by William N. Cromwell, counsel for the Sheldon reorganization committee, and Samuel Untermyer at the former's residence, admit of what might be called a definite proposition for the reorganization of the shipbuilding company.  
The conference, it is understood, had to do with a tentative plan by which the second mortgage bonds to the extent of \$10,000,000 which Mr. Schwab holds as the purchase price of his Bethlehem properties and the \$15,000,000 of general first mortgage bonds on the entire shipbuilding company, would be placed on an equal footing. This, it is understood, is not and will not be acceptable to the four first mortgage bondholders backing the Conkling suit, who believe that despite the fact that Mr. Schwab's bonds are a first mortgage on the Bethlehem plant by reason of the terms of the deal incorporating as one of the constituent-properties of the ship combination, their holdings and the holdings of every first mortgage bondholder ought to go ahead of the Schwab bonds in any settlement.  
There the matter stands at present with the prospect, it is stated, of an amended offer and a resumption of conferences looking to some kind of an agreement to end the long drawn out litigation. These conferences were the most important of any held since the litigation began, inasmuch as the definite decision to submit a new offer was reached. The first meeting was attended by Mr. Schwab, Mr. William Cromwell, counsel for the Sheldon reorganization committee, who is understood to be looking after Mr. Schwab's interests in the present and prospective negotiations; Charles W. Wetmore, president of the North American Company and chairman of the Sheldon reorganization committee and Max Pam, Mr. Schwab's personal counsel.  
The ground covered by the proposition which was to be adopted, after certain details had been worked out, had been gone over since the last hearing before Judge Kirkpatrick in a Jersey court a week ago by a number of persons, including practically all the interests on the Sheldon reorganization committee, and disinterested persons, who were called to pass upon the fairness of the proposition. The approval of the latter was given, it is learned, and, according to certain reports the advice of Receiver Smith was obtained. The resultant plan was, therefore, considered by the parties concerned in proposing it, as a general proposition and barring details to be considered later.

**GREAT NOVELIST SUFFERS FROM GENERAL BREAKDOWN**

**Hall Caine, Author of "The Christian," and Other Famous Books, Leaves London for His Health.**

London, Jan. 20.—Hall Caine, the eminent novelist, who is suffering from a general breakdown, left today for St. Moritz. He goes at the orders of his attending physician. Caine is perhaps the most characteristic writer of the day. While there is a distinct lack of humor in his work, he nevertheless possesses a style of diction that appeals strongly to the great mass of readers. He handles his subjects with a strength and directness, albeit in a somewhat sombre manner, that places him in the front rank of novel writers. His remarkable facial resemblance to Shakespeare has often been commented upon. Unremitting work and deep literary research are thought to be the cause of his present illness.

**WHAT WILL BE REQUIRED OF THE CHICAGO THEATERS**

Chicago, Jan. 20.—Nearly two months of work and \$500,000 expenditure for repairs will be required, under the new theater building ordinance for the opening of the Chicago playhouses. This is the estimate if theater managers and it does not include the amount which will be expended for the entire rebuilding of at least one theater.  
Three theaters are closed already and five others have almost admitted that they would be forced to suspend. The number which will not be able to open has been estimated at one half to six sevenths. There are few theaters which will be able to use more than two floors for many months, and many, even of the best, may abandon the gallery permanently. The price of theater tickets is almost certain to be increased. It is said that \$2 and \$2.50 as a standard price for seats is likely to be advocated by the managers and that the low priced houses will make corresponding increases.

**INDUSTRIAL CONDITIONS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 20.—A bulletin just issued by the Bureau of Provincial Information for British Columbia, reviewing the industrial conditions of the past year, gives the output of the metalliferous mines of the province at 1,276,000 tons. The coal mined amounted to 168,000 tons. The total value of the mining output was \$19,200,000 which was nearly \$2,000,000 increase over the previous year, notwithstanding the strikes which paralyzed the industry in the early part of the past year. With the exception of the salmonpack which is greatly below the average, all other industries show large increases. The cut of timber during the year was 15 per cent greater, the dairy output one third; fruit marketed 35 per cent increase; halibut and other fisheries 40 per cent.  
The value of the total productions of the province was about 26,000,000. The value of exports was \$11,000,000, \$5,000,000 increase over the previous year.

**Viceroy To Remove Headquarters.**  
New York, Jan. 20.—It is reported here, says a Herald dispatch from Chefoo, that the Russian Viceroy, Admiral Alexieff is preparing to remove his headquarters to Harbin, a town on the Manchurian railway, where the line branches off to Port Arthur on the south.