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PERHAPS

Her Companion Says That San Francisco Gives Re-Bow Kam Was Very Despondent.

RUNAWAY TROOPS IN READINESS AFTER

Efforts Being Made to Recover Possession of Chow Sheem Now in a Mission or to Cause Her Deportation.

Efforts to secure possession of Chow Sheem, the young Chinese slave girl who escaped to the Chinese Rescue home a few days ago, are still being made by the Chinese, and as a last resort, it is reported, they will endeavor to have the girl deported on the ground that she is an illegal resident. Coroner Finley is today investigating the mysterious deathof Bow Kam, the duenna of the girl, which occurred a few days after Chow Sheem's escape.

As to whether Chow Sheem can pro duce a certificate of residence depends her future. If she has one and can produce it she will probably be allowed to remain at the rescue home, provided that Moy Bow, from whom she ran away, does not secure possession of her in a legal way. If she is unable to show the certificate, it is probable that the cus-tom officials will take the case in hand and may deport the girl.

Mrs. Holt, matron at the rescue home declares positively that Chow Sheem has as to whether the girl will be able to secure possession of it. She declares, however, that she will be able to protect

Soon after the death of Bow Kam her prosed owner, Moy Bow, left the city, and it is reported that he went in search of the father of Chow Sheem. His friends say that he has located the father in Seattle, and that he will be in Portland shortly to claim his daugh-

His name is May Som. says, and later sold by her father into

Mrs. Rolt's Statement.

Mrs. Holt declares that Chow Sheem's father lives in China, and is inclined to smile at the idea that he lives in Se-

"Of course," she said, "they may bring a man around purporting to be the father of Chow Sheem, but the next thing is to prove it. We know that the girl has a certificate, and the only thing we are afraid of is that the Chinese will destroy it. Even then we will be able to protect the girl from deportation.

The Chinese of Portland have fought us at every turn since we established the rescue home a number of years ago. It is not so much the losing of the girl, as it is to have the satisfaction of not allowing her to remain in our care. The

natural death, although she said it was not unreasonable to suppose that the piece of metal. woman took her own life. Bow Kam The university was often despondent, she says and many times said that if thing did not go better she would put an end to it. According to Chinese belief, the most irreparable injury that one individual can do to another is to commit suicide, and have it appear that the other was responsible for the death. Then the unhappy victim will be tormented eternally by the spirit of the one for whose death he was responsible. Accordingly, she thinks that Bow Kam, enraged at Moy Bow, may have taken

her own life to punish him. "I shall investigate the legality of Chow Sheem's residence in this country," said Chinese Inspector Barbour today.

WALKING DELEGATES OUSTED.

(Journal Special Service.) Chicago, Dec. 11 .- All building trades business agents at a meeting held here yesterday resolved to call out all men employed on buildings to which business agents are refused admission. This accided to prohibit visits of walking delegates to the workmen. In accordance with this resolution a strike was ordered on the big skyscraper on Congress street this afternoon when a busi-ness agent was ordered off the premises. dollars is the loss recorded.

port That Trouble with Colombia Is Feared.

Despite of Danials It Is Known That Panama Will Be Invaded and That Uncle Sam Is Very Anxious.

(Journal Special Service.)
San Francisco, Dec. 11. — Notwith-standing the denials from Washington that no fear is felt of the landing of the force of Colombian troops, the war de-partment is making preparations, both here and in New York, to move men to the isthmus at once. The army trans-port service here has been asked through Washington if it is prepared to handle two and perhaps three regiments of men. At New York the same question was put last night to the department agents there.

Troops at Fort McPherson were told to hold themselves in readiness for a rapid move. One regiment at Leavenworth, Kan., was given the same order Transport officials here deny having received word from Washington, but they say they can get all necessary

ships ready at a short notice.

The service has acquired skill in handling men and putting a transport into service, and not any longer is it considered a big job. The Washington war bureau of one big New York paper wires today that the inside opinion of naval and army officials is that the United States will surely have trouble with Colombia. General Reyes today denies that Co-

Iombian troops are moving.

There is a rumor here that troops from Vancouver barracks, Washington, are being held in readiness, but a dispatch from Portland this afternoon fails

to confirm or deny it.

The situation is regarded here as of more serious consequence than appears Moy Bow, it is said, asserts that Chow at first blush. Probably this is due to the macArthur canard of yesterday, residence. She was smuggled across the which told of coming war with Ger-Canadian border when a little girl, he many, as the latter power held friendly which told of coming war relations with South American repub-

A dispatch from Admiral Glass today, commanding the isthmian waters, says there is a well-confined rumor on the isthmus that a body of Colombian troops has been landed at the mouth of the Arato river.

MYSTERIOUS METAL WHICH BEARS LIGHT

(Journal Special Service.)

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—The state mineral bureau reports the discovery of a new and mysterious metal in a mine in Mariposa county. The metal carries girl will remain in this home and receive a good percentage of gold and antimony protection as long as she desires to and traces of copper. When scratched it sparkles and shines. It is soft and Chow Sheem is inclined to scout the cuts away with a knife. If scratched idea that Bow Kam died other than a with the finger nail sparks are emitted with the finger nail sparks are emitted the same as if flint was struck with a

> The university laboratory is making an investigation. Men working in the mine strike fire with every blow of the pick, thus making a weird display.

LEGATION CONFIRMS DAVIS' STATEMENT

(Journal Special Service.)
Constantinople, Dec. 11,—The American legation advices confirm Consul Davis' statement of the assault on him by the Turkish police of Alexandretta. He had accompanied Attarian on board the steamer when the police came and ordered Attarian to go ashore to be fumigated. He was then seized and locked up. Consul Davis attempted to interfere and was assaulted, when he vigorously but ineffectually used his cane. Attarian is still a prisoner.

LOCOMOTIVES BURNED.

(Journal Special Service.) La Junta, Col., Dec. 11.—The Santa application for an alternative writ of Fe's machine shops here and seven lomandamus to compel the mayor and comotives were destroyed by fire, which other city officials to enforce the laws were beyond the reach of city water.

GOVERNOR AT WORK ON HIS MESSAGE

preparation his message 101 which will law, session of the legislature, which will law, "I have not the power, of course, to



KAISER WILLIAM FROM PROTOGRAPH TAKEN

LATEST PICTURE OF THE EMPEROR, TAKEN IN

GERMANY'S EMPEROR SAYS WAR TALK IS NONSENSICAL

(Journal Special Service.)

Berlin, Dec. 11-No significance whatever is placed on the report from America that Colonel Jones . the Hawalian militia says that war in the near future will be waged by Germany against the United 🍲

At the foreign office today it was stated that the Kaiser looks upon the story emanating from Colonel Jones as nonsensical in the extreme, and considers that General MacArthur, of the United States army, whom Jones says he quoted, is too wise on tendencies of events to have made the statement that Germany's interests in South American territory will soon cause rupture with the United States and beligerent actions will be forthcoming on the Pacific.

While not quoted it is given out here today that the Emperor is inclined to believe that Colonel Jones sought notoriety more than anything else. He says that facts prove that never have sentiments . and unity of interests between the United States and Germany been more friendly or satisfactory.

Emperor William showed some irritation when shown the dispatches last night. Were he in his physical condition of five years, or a year ago, little thought would have been taken. As matters stand, however, very little things vex his majesty.

Washington, Dec. 11.-The war department officials doubt the accuracy of the Associated Press statements attributed to General MacArthur relative to a coming war with Germany. If it should be brought to the department's notice, however, in a formal manner, it will demand an explanation. Advices from Berlin today state that no seriousness is placed on the report, which in fact is looked upon as a canard.

SAN FRANCISCO MAY WIN IN FOUR YEARS

Chicago Seems the Choice For National Republican Convention to Be Held Next Year---Pacific Coast Next.

key of Portland is attending the national four years hence the country will see the board to call a special election to committee meeting today, holding the proxy of Committeeman Steele. He San Francisco will be able to afford as the city schools. Some members of the legislature and specified in his call. The favors Chicago for the next national

a sentiment in favor of San Francisco tracting attention. It is for the pro- it is likely that the organization will for the 1908 convention. The lack of viding for reducing representation in give its official senction to the scheme. adequate telegraph facilities alone pre- the national conventions.

| vented San Francisco entering the race Washington, Dec. 11.-Fred W. Mul- this year. It is predicted, however, that this objection overcome and by that time vote upon the proposition of bonding city.

onvention.

Mr. Brayton of Rhode Island has a Van Fleet of California is working up resolution on the floor which is at-

word "lawful" in this connection means

of the officials whether they give orders

would have appeared instead of "lawful."

The plaintiffs endeavored to show that

the law, and that the question of duty is

provided in the charter for the suppres-

SENTENCED MURDERER

(Journal Special Service.) Spekane, Wash., Dec. 11.—Ernest Cashel, who was sentenced to be hanged

charged with furnishing the guns,

EMPLOYERS DECLARE

sion of gambling.

WAR ON GAMBLERS that if there had been no intention to give discretion, the words "the duty" IS IN PROGRESS

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION APPEARS BEFORE JUDGE CLELAND SEEK-ING A WEIT OF MANDAMUS TO COMPEL ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAWS AGAINST GAMESTERS.

When the attorneys for the Municipal association appeared before Circuit Judge Cleland this afternoon to make against gambling, the defendants opground that the defendants have discretionary power to take whatever action they deem wise. The clause in the law which will be brought up to show that the charter makes provision for the exercise of discretion on the part of the exercise of discretion on the part of the officials is as follows:
"Whenever the mayor or the execu-

tive board ascertains or receives satisfactory information that any house, room Governor Chamberlain arrived in the of the legislature. I still, as heretocity last evening. He has in course of fore, oppose the consideration of any preparation his message for the special measure presented, aside from the tax four miles of the corporate limits theresession of the legislature, which will convene on December 21.

"I have not the power, of course, to discusse of the special session," said the cause of the special session," said the governor. "I discussed to bring may other matters before the legislature from them of sufficient urgency to require attention at this time. I have received letters from members of the legislature from different sections of the state, requestling that I sanction the consideration of various other bills.

"I do not believe that it is business and will of the improvement of the power, of course, to obscure a gaming-house or common gaming premises for playing therein for wager of money at a game of chance, or if the same is kept or used for any level or obscure public any usement or the deposit or sale of lottery tickets or policies, it shall be lawful for the mayor or the executive board to authorize and direct the shife of police or any officer of the correct such llouse, room members of the legislature from different sections of the state, requestling that I sanction the consideration of various other bills.

"I do, not believe that it is business in myortance to the improvement of the policy and justice to the largayers at this time to allow an extended session."

A dennite plan on this lines was a gaming herein for wager of money at a game of chance, or if the same is kept or used for any level or obscure or the deposit or sale of lottery tickets or policies, it shall be lawful for the mayor or the executive board to advent the middle of January, when a final agreement will be appeared to the same is kept or used for any level or obscure or the deposit or sale of lottery tickets or policies, it shall be lawful for the mayor or the executive board to until some times and obscure or the deposit or sale of lottery tickets or policies, it shall be lawful for the mayor of the tax laws that session will adopt the same is kept or used for any level or sale of lottery tickets or policies, it shall be lawful for the mayor of the tax laws gaming-house or common gaming prem-ises for playing therein for wager of

SCHOOL BUILDINGS

SECURE PUNDS TO REPLACE AT TARY STRUCTURES IN USE-

PLAN TO SECURE

It is certain that at the coming annual session of the school board a number of prominent citizens will ast adequate accommodations as any eastern Taxpayers' league who have investigated the subject say they are heartly in sympathy with the movement, and

The feature of the plan is to pay the current taxation, and to maintain the steps to test the constitutionality of the that it is optional or at the discretion buildings from a bonded fund; erect new and substantial brick and stone to enforce the law. He will maintain structures to replace the present old wooden buildings; secure more grounds tancy in declaring them null and void.
wherever possible, and erect a number On the other hand the amalgamated of buildings in districts where the school attendance is now somewhat

public officials are under oath to enforce congested. This has practically been determined not in doubt at any stage of the pro-ceedings. The word "lawful," they exupon by those who are working in the interest of an election, but has not yet received the official sanction of the league. It requires only a nominal plained, means that the officials are pro-tected by the law in taking action as number of names to a petition to call an election, and there is no question as to this being done. The general im-pression also prevails that the bending proposition will receive the sanction of the majority of taxpayers. MAKES GOOD ESCAPE

The main argument advanced in favor of bonding the district is that the city be secured only in that way. To erect substantial buildings in place of outlived their usefulness, and it would expenses from the taxes, which are just about enough to meet current charges. Enough could be added, however, to pay the interest on the bonds and to create a sinking fund. -

The amount of bonds, it is said, could volvers and made his guards enter his cell. He then made them deliver the be determined by the amount of im-provements decided upon. Enough could be issued at first to start the keys to his shackles, with which he freed himself. He locked the guards in his cell and has not been heard from since. His brother John is under arrest tional funds could also be secured to, keep the improvements going ahead. A definite plan on this line was to have been submitted to the board at its annual meeting next Monday night.

IS FEARED

San Francisco Overrun Adopted Child Subjected with Criminals---Many Leave for Portland.

Foster Mother.

THREE BANK ROBBERS INFANT THREE YEARS OLD

Leave Bay City for Purpose of Exe- Court of Umatilla County Interferes cuting Big Job Here-Followed by Two Specials Who Know The Play.

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, Dec. 11.-Chief of Detectives John Martin said in an interview today that the city is full of Eastern crooks and that many are going north to Portland and Seattle. He said that there are new arrivals every day. Pickpockets and sneakthieves have been operating on street cars and ferries

and are keeping the entire detective force busy. He says the holiday season is the attraction and the general presperity of the West. At Ocean beach, bunko men have been very troublesome and six detectives are detailed to keep grafters away from vis-

itors there. In the residence section of the city one gang of thieves has been working with a fantile antics until e lay on the woman as a confederate in committing petty robberies. Her name is Mamie Rolands and she comes from the north end of Portland.

Two people were robbed in broad daylight on Haight street yesterday by a clothes on for many hours as a punish-man and the woman. At the Oakland ment. She knocked the baby across the race track the specials have been jumping sideways as pickpockets are very numerous. Many arrests are being made and full descriptions of the crooks taken in will be sent all along the Coast. Port-land police have been notified of three crooks who left here last night for there. It is said that two special officers will leave on the overland for Portland and will keep an eye on the three suspects, as they are believed to be bank thieves who contemplate a big job.

LEGISLATURE DOES ALL ITS CALLED WORK

(Journal Special Service.) Helena, Mont., Dec. 11.-The extraordinary session of the eighth legislative assembly came to an end today. All the legislation for which the session was called to consider has been acted upon and there remained but a small amount SOND ISSUE CONTEMPLATED TO of routine work to conclude the business. Three judicial bills sought by the Amalgamated Copper company to enable it to ONCE THE OLD AND UNSANI- do business in Montana are now laws. They are the change of venue for the disqualification of judges and that giving MATTER MAY COME UP MONDAY. the supreme court the power to review the facts in equity cases: Late yester-day the governor turned these bills signature. The Meyer bill to tax the costs in change of venue cases has not been acted upon, but the governor in a message to the house announced that he would approve all bills passed by the governor has also approved the bill providing for the submission to the people of the constitutional amendment making a child labor law and an eight-hour law. as it relates to mines and smelters, a part of the constitution. He has also approved the appropriation bill. Heinze current expenses from the proceeds of has announced that he will at once take several bills enacted into laws. He is

AN OCEAN WAVE IS

authorities in the state have no hesi-tancy in declaring them null and void.

leaders are celebrating their victory in royal style and say they have not the

least fear as to the outcome in the su-

preme court.

(Journal Special Service.)

The main argument advanced in lavor of bonding the district is that the city schools need improvements which can A party of well known tourists were form for mutual protection. A party of well known tourists were appliances will be necessary and the cost will be great. A convention of the wooden school houses, which have long port holes were open and a big wave parties interested is seen to be called broke over the rail and went through the be impossible to do this and pay the apertures to the card room. It struck squarely in the center of the table, filled the room, washed two players out of the door and sent the cash to Davy Jones' door and sent the cash to Davy Jones' Pittsburg, 'Pa., Dec. 10.—After 19 locker. One player had three kings and months' imprisonment, Mrs. Kate Soffel. says the elements were against him. who assisted the Biddle brothers to says the elements were against him. who assisted the Biddle brothers to the says the elements were against him. There was no more card playing during cape, was released this morning. She left for the home of her parents.

to Tortures by Fiendish

and On Investigation Finds a Revolting Case-Insanity the Plea.

(Journal Special Service.) Pendleton, Or., Dec. 11 .- Mrs. A. L. Turner, the rather handsome wife of a laboring man here, adopted a child three years old. This was a month ago. baby girl was taken from her last night by the sheriff of this county.

The case was heard in the court this morning and for a recital of cruelty excels anything on record here.

The little girl showed bruises all over her head and body and physicians say they were occasioned by use of a rough stick. On the left hand of the infant

four finger nails had been pulled out. Witnesses, who are neighbors, told of the foster mother getting the child drunk on beer and then would laugh at the in-

Mrs. Turner put caye me pepper on the tongue for the alleged telling of a lie She also dipped the child in a pail of ice water head first and left the wet room and dragged her down stairs by the hair. The Turner woman then threatened to burn her neighbors' houses the hair.

for interference The child will be given a new home by the court. The sanity of the woman is questioned. The child is the daughter of Gertryde McQuarry, the widow of the editor of the Milton Eagle. She married Rudolph Edwards a short time ago and

gave her children away.

The husband of the Turner woman said today he observed no cruel acts while he was at home and when the ment, he was told by his wife that she was always falling and receiving bruises. A further examination will be made to

JACK JOHNSON TO MEET FERGUSON TONIGHT

(Journal Special Service.) San Francisco, Dec. 11.—Jack Welch will act as referee in the fight tonight between Jack Johnson and Sandy Ferguson. Ferguson wanted Graney to act as referee and Johnson wanted Ed Smith. A long wrangle ensued until finally a decision was reached whereby Welch was agreed upon.

Ten to three on Johnson still stands Southern Pacific will furnish transportation this time. Street car lines were a failure in the last Colma battle, so Gibbs arranged to have two special trains of 10 cars each to carry the bulk of the crowd. Street cars will also have on a number of special coaches, Ferguson said this morning that he thought the odds would go a shade better for him before night, when it is known what perfect trim he is in. Johnson speaks well of his adversary, and says sports have been inclined to cheapen Ferguson, "He is a hard man and will give me a reputed to have said that the best legal fun for my money."

INDEPENDENT PHONE **COMPANIES TO MERGE**

Chicago, Dec. 11.—A combination of all the independent telephone companies HARD ON THE PLAYERS in the United States is about to be formed and unrelenting warfare will be made upon the Bell Telephone company. of capital and are very strong in the New York, Dec. 11.—A big wave won Middle West. J. S. Brailey of Toledo is a jack pot during a voyage of the steam-ship Oceanic that arrived this morning. He said the companies would have to

MRS. SOFFEL RELEASED.

(Journal Special Mervice.)

work on two or three new buildings. FOG CAUSES AN ALARM OF FIRE

A telephone message followed by an | Engine company 4 and truck company A telephone message rollowed by an alarm from box 16, sent the fire department to the plant of the Willamette Boiler works at First and Flanders streets in a hurry at 3 o'clock this The meter had been disconnected and

Stockton, Cal., Dec. 11.—The Holt Harvester & Manufacturing company last evening locked dot its blacksmiths and declared its intention of running an open declared its intention of running an open it. They deem it greatly encouraging to report that so far it has met with clared the Holts unfair. The Holt strike is the commencement of a bitter battle between organized labor and the organized employers, as practically every employer in the city is backing Holt.

Stockton, Cal., Dec. 11.—The Holt Harvester of the plan are energeically at work sounding the school officials and proming morning.

The night was intensely foggy and the watchman thought he saw smoke issuing from the factory. The firemen made a thorough investigation but serious blaze but the frequent of the conclusion that the vigilant guardian methods the fog for smoke and the danger was been are reliable.