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WASHINGTON, March 20.—The contract system of public improvement for the waterways is becoming very popular, after being tried successfully in two or three places. In the last river and harbor bill, the Sault St Marie improvements and the Galveston harbor were put under the contract system. The river and harbor bill, which has recently been practically completed, will place the Mississippi river improvements under the contract system, also the deep water channel system of the great lakes, as well as the Hudson river and the Mobile, Ala., harbor improvements. This is a matter of great importance, as it insures the continuation of these works, whether a river and harbor bill should pass or not, as an appropriation will be made in the regular bills for these improvements from year to year.

The people of The Dalles have often asked that the contract system be applied to the construction of the cascade locks. It is hoped now the effort may be successful.

### Scalp Hunting.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Bank Examiner W. H. Heald, for Oregon and Washington, and receiver Chase, of the Spokane National bank, will be bounced out of office. Charges were made against them some time ago by the members of the Washington delegation, and recently one of the best experts of the comptroller's office in Washington was sent out to Washington to investigate. It is not yet known who will be appointed to Heald's position. Mr. Bird, of Tacoma, has been recommended for the receivership at Spokane. The bank examiner will have to be indorsed by both Washington and Oregon as that is his district. The receiver will probably be appointed upon the recommendation of the Washington delegation.

### A Row Imminent.

NEW YORK, March 21.—There is a large amount of talk about the prospect of a Drayton-Borrowe duel. It is stated that Drayton's brother and two of his influential friends are authority for the statement that Drayton does not know of the recent developments of the case. The result is that the friends of both Drayton and Borrowe, chartered tugs today, and as soon as the Majestic is sighted there will be a race down the bay for the steamship. The Drayton tug will contain his brother, two Philadelphia friends and a number of prominent New Yorkers. On the Borrowe tug will be a crowd of his friends. Drayton's brother, it is said, proposes to inform him of all that has occurred. If hostilities are not indulged in then, Drayton may have something to tell his enemy. Borrowe's friends propose to put him on his guard, and they may clash with the Drayton faction while doing so. It is expected that a very lively row will take place on the Majestic on her way to this city from the lower bay, as the result of the people on the two tugs getting aboard her.

### Home Rule for Scotland.

LONDON, March 21.—All the liberal members from Scotland and many English members, including some conservatives, approve the bill introduced in parliament on Saturday for the creation of a Scottish legislative body. The bill will attract general attention, owing to its similarity to the Irish question. The bill establishes in Scotland a legislature consisting of the queen and a Scotch legislative body, to enact laws for Scotland, with the exception of matters relating to the imperial administration; all bills passed require assent of the queen to become a law; in a question of jurisdiction between the English and Scottish bodies the matter is to be referred to the judicial committee of the privy council; the legislature is authorized to impose taxes, other than customs or excise duties, and

create a consolidated fund separate from that of the United Kingdom; Scottish contributions to maintain corporal establishments shall be proportionate to those payable by England and Wales. The second portion of the bill treats of the judicial government and provides that all existing civil and criminal courts shall be maintained, subject, however, to abolition or alteration, and judges may be removed by the legislatures on a requisition from the queen to do so. The bill provides that the power and authority of the imperial parliament shall not be diminished or restrained by anything herein contained: The present bill is worthy of comparison to Mr. Gladstone's first home rule bill.

### Chicago Boodle.

CHICAGO, March 21.—The Tribune gives a list of the alleged boodle transactions by the city council. It includes \$260,000 for the Northern Pacific franchise, and \$700,000 for other franchisees, some of which the paper professes to have evidence to prove were given. President Oakes, of the Northern Pacific, denies that his road is in any way connected with the scandal. He speaks of the alleged bribery of the Chicago council by the Northern Pacific at a gross exaggeration, and not only that, but an absurdity. There is not a word of truth in the entire story.

### British Mutineers.

VANCOUVER, B. C., March 21.—An incident that will probably result in a man-of-war having to make a trip home occurred here Saturday. This port being within easy access of United States soil, it has been the rule that every ironclad of old England that anchors here suffers from an epidemic of deserters. This has resulted in a standing reward being offered to any police officer who returns a deserter to the man-of-war. Today Chief of Police McLaren and Officer McLeod took five men on board the Daphne who had been arrested for desertion. The putting of these men in irons enraged the sailors, who made an attack on the chief of police after the other officer had descended the ladder. The chief defended himself, but a blow from a stalwart able seaman felled him to the deck like a log. McLeod rushed up the ladder again to defend his chief and was felled by a swabbing-brush. The officers, with the assistance of the marines, drove back the mutineers, who refused to listen to orders until forced to do so at the point of the bayonets of the marines. After a determined struggle the mutineers were overcome and ironed. The case has no parallel in the history of the British squadron, and the local authorities have waived the right of punishment to the captain of the Daphne. The mutineers will have to be sent home to England to put in "at least five years." Both the police officers are seriously injured. It is creditably reported that word has been sent to Esquimalt for a sister ship to come over to lay alongside in case of further trouble, it being feared that a general mutiny will follow, as the men will all have completed their term in May, and are consequently reckless.

### Telegraphic Flashes.

At a special election held in Arlington on the 19th the city council was allowed to contract an indebtedness of \$10,000 for a water and electric light plant.

The striking employes of the Canadian Pacific are becoming somewhat demonstrative. H. G. McMicken, the Great Northern agent for the Canadian Pacific train between Winnipeg and the boundary, was greeted with a shower of eggs at Morris on Friday last, by a gang of the strikers. Another official was smeared with tar and had to protect himself with a pistol. Both sides declare that they will not give in and the railroad people say they can replace the strikers in a few days.

The mine owners at Cour d'Alene have decided to resume work all through that rich section, as the railroads have restored old rates on ore shipments that make resumption possible. About 2,000 miners who left the camp, will back in a week or two. As Cour d'Alene silver and lead production is a factor in fixing the price of those metals, the smelters all over the country were at a loss to find enough wet ores to run their plants, after shipments ceased a few months ago.

### A Sneak Thief.

CHEHALIS, Wash., March 20.—One Joseph came to Chehalis a couple of weeks ago representing himself as a newspaper man desirous of starting a paper. He obtained promises of assistance from various responsible parties, and ordered a newspaper plant. On its arrival here the firm drew on him for the price, about \$450. He had left the country and board bills behind. Before leaving he forged the name of John Dobson, to a check which was cashed by E. W. Prigmore, of Pe-Ell.

## HERMANN GETS THERE.

### The Appropriation Bill Ready for Congressional Action.

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### STILL SOME HOPE FOR THE DALLES.

### The Billion Congress Nearly Equalled—All for Works of National Importance.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—You may give Representative Hermann credit for securing the greatest results, under the circumstances, ever yet secured. The river and harbor bill is now completed and is ordered reported to the house. The total allowance now for Oregon is \$1,170,000 and nearly equals that of the "billion dollar congress," although the aggregate of the present bill, is about \$20,214,000 or less than that of the last bill as it was reported from the river and harbor committee. Then it was \$20,932,445. The state of Washington receives an aggregate allowance of \$84,000, as against \$19,000 of last congress. The canal and locks at the cascades of the Columbia receives nearly \$500,000 and is placed under the contract system for completion, the secretary of war being authorized to contract for the whole work, for which \$1,310,000 is estimated, exclusive of the sum now allowed in the present bill, which becomes immediately available. The same language is used as applies to the works at Galveston, Baltimore and Philadelphia harbors and the Sault Ste Marie canal, etc. Under the contract system it is expected that ships can pass through the cascade canal and locks of the Columbia within two years. Mr. Hermann made a gallant and very persistent as well as discreet struggle for the concession to his state. He firmly insisted that if like privileges were bestowed on any other great works of the nation, it must be understood that the cascade locks should be counted in. He stubbornly resisted any other arrangement, and the results of his arguments have proven that he not only deserves approbation at home but promotion in Washington.

### Eating up the Grub.

LIQU, March 20.—A banquet was given last night in honor of the Americans accompanying the steamer Indiana. The American consul, the officers of the Indiana, the members of the relief society and all the city authorities were present. Captain Sargent was presented with a silver souvenir cup. Felicitous speeches were made by the Russians and responded to by the Americans. At a luncheon today an illuminated address was presented to the Americans. A dinner was given last evening to the crew of the Indiana. The Indiana sailed this afternoon on her return voyage.

### The Bulldog and Lynx Fight.

CARSON, Nev., March 20.—The bulldog and lynx fight came off today at the race track some time before the advertised hour in order to evade the officers, who were to be on hand to stop the proceedings. The instant the animals saw each other the lock was deadly. The bulldog took hold on the right foreleg, and held on until the lynx died. The fight lasted nearly an hour. The dog was frightfully torn by its antagonist, and bled profusely. Afterwards he broke away and cleared out a number of dogs in Chinatown. Only a few spectators were present, owing to the rushed proceedings.

### Fur Seal Fleets.

SEATTLE, March 21.—The Portland steamer Michigan reports a big school of fur seals north of the Columbia river. A schooner was in the midst of a school of them, where the sea seemed fairly alive. She was drifting along leisurely, having six small boats out, and the crew had good success shooting the seals.

### An Illinois Scrap.

CHICAGO, March 20.—Con Doyle knocked out Wiley Evans in the eleventh round this morning, winning the stakes of \$1000 and 75 per cent of the gate receipts. The battle was fought a short distance from the city in the presence of 250 sports, who had to light blazing bonfires to keep warm.