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KEY TO THE PACIFIC

Hitt on the Strategic Importance of Hawaii

IN GUARDING OUR WEST COAST

Secretary Long Opens Bids For Providing the Government With an Armor Plant.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—The Post's Washington correspondent sends this interview with Chairman Hitt, of the house committee on foreign affairs:

"The gist, in my opinion, in the whole Hawaiian situation lies in the strategic position of the little group of islands as a basis of operations for guarding our west coast. There is a strong resemblance in this case to the Bermudas, except that the Bermudas are not so commanding. That is, there are other islands to the south of them which would, in case of conflict, to some extent take their place with European powers even if they possessed the Bermudas. In the possession of the Hawaiian islands we would have what might be considered safety for our western coast against the naval powers, except Great Britain, which could still get coal for her ships from the British Columbia ports and use that base for naval operations. The subordinate figure, the question of sugar, the character of the proposition, the mode of government, etc., take up a great deal of attention, but I think they are of minor importance.

"We have now by treaty certain exclusive rights, but that is a terminable treaty. The Hawaiian republic is, theoretically, an independent nation, but is wholly incapable of defending itself and preserving its independence, and the moment that we come into conflict, any naval power that presents itself will take possession. Once it is possessed by a power like Japan, England or Germany, it will be the story of the Bermudas over again, only a stronger and more effective Bermuda on our western coast. With a coaling station 3,000 miles out, we would double the time and length of effective cruises of our warships going out from San Francisco. Having no neighboring islands, it leaves the immense expanse of the northern Pacific utterly inhospitable to our opponents, if we own it. It is thus of great value as a base for defense or for an enemy to operate against us.

"I have thought for many years that these islands were of essential importance to us. The impression that I got while in the state department in 1881 remains with me. When the question of extending the reciprocity treaty was then under consideration, I was impressed with these facts. The sugar question and its branches is a matter of competing interests. Once incorporated they all go into the hopper together, as completely as the best root of Nebraska and the cane of Louisiana."

No Hope For Wachline.

HILLSBORO, Or., Jan. 29.—The ten days' extension of time granted Gus Wachline's attorneys to prepare and file a bill of exceptions for an appeal to the supreme court expired yesterday. No papers were filed. It is expected that the law will be allowed to take its course, there being no likelihood of interference by the governor, although it is understood he has been appealed to. No arrests have been made as a result of the statement made by Wachline a few days ago. Wachline's object in making the

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statement, it is thought, was to cause the arrest of Robert Buck for the murder of Ledrick, and as he would be needed as a witness in such an event, he would thus secure a stay of execution. Any contention that Wachline may hereafter make, making himself a party to and Buck the principal in the crime will hardly be heeded by the officers. Wachline's recent statement has tended to vindicate Buck, rather than to incriminate him.

Wachline will be hanged between 10 a. m. and 4 p. m., February 4th, as decreed by the death warrant, though the exact time of the execution has not yet been set by the sheriff.

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Not Included in the Decision.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—In the order issued by Secretary Bliss, lands covered by the claims of other defendants than the Southern Pacific Company and the trustees in the mortgage executed by that company, in the conflicting grants of the Atlantic & Pacific and Southern Pacific companies, are to be excepted from the decision restoring them to the public domain.

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Teller Congratulated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Senator Teller received a number of telegrams last night and today congratulating him

and the silver forces on the passage of the Teller resolution. Among the messages was one from W. J. Bryan, which was confined to the mere expression of satisfaction over the result.

The Greatest Discovery Yet.

W. M. Repine, editor Tiskilwa, Ill., "Chief," says: "We won't keep house without Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds. Experimented with many others, but never got the true remedy until we used Dr. King's New Discovery. No other remedy can take its place in our home, as in it we have a certain and sure cure for coughs, whooping cough, etc." It is idle to experiment with other remedies, even if they are urged on you as just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery. They are not as good, because this remedy has a record of cures and besides is guaranteed. It never fails to satisfy. Trial bottles free at Blakeley & Houghton's drug store. 3

Two Miners Injured.

BAKER CITY, Or., Jan. 29.—Albert Geiser, of the Bonanza mine, this afternoon telephoned Dr. Parker to engage a special train and come to Sumpter, as two miners, Bob Gutridge and Kirk Skillen, had been injured by a powder explosion in the shaft. The doctor left this afternoon.

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The President's Birthday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—Today was the anniversary day of the president's birth. He was born in 1843. There was no special observance of the day at the White House, save the presentation to the president of a large bunch of cut flowers.

Mr. Elisha Berry, of this place says he never had anything do him so much good and give such quick relief from rheumatism as Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He was bothered greatly with shooting pains from hip to knee until he used this liniment, which affords prompt relief. B. F. Baker, druggist, St. Paris, Ohio. For sale by Blakeley & Houghton.

Newly Appointed Bishop to Wales Has an Extravagant Headpiece.

Bishop Francis Mostyn, who was last year appointed to the newly-created Roman Catholic bishopric of Wales, has recently become a fortunate possessor of a miter which is said to surpass in magnificence and in exquisite workmanship anything of the kind worn in Great Britain for many centuries past, says the Westminster Gazette.

Of white embroidered silk, richly ornamented with gold, it is studded with 200 precious stones. The miter, which is Gothic in design, bears on its front a dove, symbolic of the Holy Spirit, in gold repousse work, encircled by garnets and a heart formed of a single carbuncle of large size, with jeweled pearls. The whole is surmounted by a cross composed of 32 gems. On the back are the figures of the Welsh patron saints, St. David and St. Winitred, beautifully wrought in the Welsh colors and surrounded by rubies, emeralds and pearls. At the apex appears the national emblem, the Welsh harp, encircled by topazes and aquamarines, which is an exact copy of the ancient "Arlandwys," which tradition declares to have remained in the possession of the Mostyn family from early centuries.

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SOME EMINENT MODELS.

All the artists who have made pictures or statues of Ada Rehan unite in saying she is one of the most satisfactory models on record.

Susan B. Anthony was a patient model until the portrait painter tried to draw her out on the question of the suffrage of women.

The most remarkable model who ever sat to the sculptor, J. S. Hartley, was Irving Morris, the actor. He sat for a figure in a group to be called "The Card Players" to oblige Hartley and would hold his pose for an hour at a time. More than once Hartley got tired ahead of his obliging sitter.

Judge Noah Davis was the despair of a painter who had to put his portrait on canvas, until the artist thought to speak to the jurist about Conkling. Then Davis brightened up, began to talk about the great stalwart, and the artist was made perfectly happy by the change in the expression of the sitter's face.

Fragrant Orris Root.

French women are so passionately fond of the sweet, clean fragrance of orris that some of the more fastidious among them have a bit of orris root put in the water in which their clothes are washed. It is related of one French woman, that upon being reprimanded by her father confessor for her extravagance in this particular, she said that she was sure that if she went to perdition on its account, Satan would find the smell of orris much pleasanter to his nostrils than sulphur.

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