



VENEZUELAN AFFAIRS.

The house and senate have shown their hands on the Venezuelan question by supporting the president's suggestion to appoint a commission to enquire into the matter, and to ascertain without doubt whether or not Venezuela is right. The findings of this body will determine the future course of the United States.

The position taken by the president and congress is the position of the American people, and from this there can be no receding. And if there is no war this incident should admonish us that in time of peace we should prepare for war.

But there will be no backing down. England knows this and will act accordingly. War between the United States and England means the destruction of the latter's commerce, the throwing out of employment of thousands of people and subsequent ruin of that country.

With the United States it is much different. Consuming much of what we produce and manufacture, we are in a measure to close our ports and "live like kings," for the surplus, in the event of war, would be consumed by the enormous army and navy, and besides there would be an increased demand for many things that are not manufactured very extensively.

CONGRESSMAN ELLIS, of Oregon, when interviewed in Washington as to the best means for raising revenue for the government, said: "I favor the imposition of an additional tax of \$1 per barrel on beer. This would bring in at least \$30,000,000 and would harm nobody. Its only effect would be to diminish to some extent the enormous profits of the brewers."

RECENTLY a young lady, in attempting to board a boat down on the Willamette, struck a frosty place on the gang plank, falling and then kept on sliding till she landed in a sitting posture half-way across the deck.

ENGLAND is attacking our gold reserve. Let them take it, but if the United States will sell more than it buys and get more revenue than it spends, this country can replenish its stock of coin faster than England can get it away from us.

MONTGOMERY, the boy murderer, seems to be well satisfied with the result of his trial. He says he wants to die. In this case it is lucky that he's satisfied.

A WONDERFUL DISCOVERY. One of the Remarkable Achievements of the Science of the Age.

(From the Herald, South Bend, Wash., to tell our readers, and especially those who are not blessed with perfect health, of one of the greatest and simplest remedies of the century. Personally we enjoy the best of health, year in and year out, but among our friends is J. L. Myers, proprietor of the Broadway Pharmacy, a man who knows his business thoroughly, is entirely wedded to chemistry, and hygiene, and often "talks shop."

He told us that one of our mutual friends, John Wyandt, a Locomotive Engineer, owed his health to a new medicine known as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and that Mrs. Lawler, the wife of Patrick Lawler, cooper at the Tannin Extract Works, and well-known in this city, has been raised by them from what her friends thought was her death bed.

"I sent for the Pink Pills and I began taking them. It said in the directions that they should be taken immediately after eating so I ate lightly then took the pills, and in two days was able to sit up. In two weeks I was up and around, and was able to make the trip of 125 miles by cars to South Bend where my husband had gone to work."

"Since that time I have been well and have done my own work, and now when I feel worn out or ill I always take Pink Pills and they help me at once. I have in the two years and a half, used twenty-one boxes of them and we all use them when we are feeling out of sorts. I have recommended them to many of my friends, and they always helped them, and I can say to all mothers that they will find them a good medicine to build them up, cure headaches, dizziness and the ills which so often beset them."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Those who regard men as merely grown up boys are not surprised at the indications of congress getting "Christmas in its bones" and even those who look upon Christmas as merely a bit of left over childish nonsense do not feel that they have any kick coming to them because lots of senators and representatives have already gone home to spend the holidays. Their going or staying would not affect public business, as the house can do nothing until its committees are announced, and it is now said that Speaker Reed will not announce them until just before the recess adjournment, which will occur the last of this week.

The republican caucus committee has finished selecting the chairmen of the senate committees and the republican membership of those committees, and a caucus is now in session to consider them, and, unless advance indications were all wrong, it's quite a lively caucus. One of the causes is that Senator Stewart, populist, of Nevada, has been named as chairman of the Pacific railroads committee, which, in view of legislation for the settlement of the debts those roads owe the government, will be a very important committee. It is believed that the state will go through as arranged by the caucus committee, but if the fighting caucus is a bitter one it will probably result in deferring the reorganization of the senate until after Christmas.

The silver senators will have a majority of three in the finance committee which will enable them to report a free coinage bill whenever so disposed, but the more conservative silver men do not think they will do so at the present season, because it would only be a waste of time. Even if the senate should pass it, there would be no snow to even get it before the house, to say nothing of getting it through; and should both house and senate pass it a veto would await it at the white house. Still the silver men are glad to control that committee. They can prevent anti-silver legislation, if they can't get what they want.

The friends of the administration have not deterred the silver democrats from renting a house just across from the capitol building and going into business as a national organization, by formally opening headquarters for the dissemination of literature devoted to silver. Senator Harris, of Tenn., is at the head of this anti-administration democratic movement. The announced object is to fight for silver inside the democratic party, but the interesting thing about it is, what will Senator Harris and his followers do if the anti-silver or administration wing of their party controls the democratic national convention as most politicians believe it will. Some of the populists believe the silver democrats will then go to them, but the silver democrats say they are so certain to control the democratic convention that they have not considered what they will do if they fail. That sort of talk is blinding. Great generals do not plan a campaign without providing for possible defeat, and Senator Harris and those who are in the movement with him have had too much to do with politics not to have made plans to govern their acts in case of defeat; they don't want them known, that's all.

That there has been for several years a tendency on the part of the senate to become more exclusive is undeniable. It began when the public were shut out of one of the elevators in the senate wing of the capitol and was added to when the public was denied access to the senate chamber after the senate adjourned. For the first time the people who were not provided with tickets were shut out of the galleries of both house and senate, on the opening day of this session. These things all show a growing desire for exclusiveness, but a plan now under consideration furnishes proof positive, so far as the senate is concerned, it is proposed to remove the old wood benches in the senate galleries and to replace them with folding opera chairs. So far that is a good idea. But it is further proposed that these chairs be numbered so that they may be reserved by the senators upon all interesting occasions and the tickets there for distributed among their friends. That is a very bad idea. If adopted, as it almost certainly will be, no person who could not get a ticket from a senator could be admitted to the senate galleries when there was any probability of anything interesting occurring on the floor, which would be very unjust and very un-American.

Secretary Carlisle's annual report is more satisfactory to congress than was the financial part of the president's message. President Cleveland has returned to Washington, but it is not certain that he will send Lord Salisbury's answer to congress until after the recess, although it is understood that Salisbury has threatened to make public his answer in London if there is any further delay on this side.

The Mount Lebanon Shakers have recently perfected an ingenious cure for dyspepsia. Their Digestive Cordial consists of a food already digested and a digester of foods happily combined. The importance of this invention will be appreciated when we realize what a proportion of the community are victims of some form of stomach trouble. Thousands of people, who have their little indications to eat, and what they do eat causes them pain and distress. This Digestive Cordial of the Shakers corrects any stomach derangement at once. It makes this people plump. Every one will be greatly interested to read the little book which has been placed in the hands of druggists for free distribution.

What is LAXOL? Nothing but Castor Oil made as palatable as honey. Children like it. Filix Filix striking Filix. by symptoms—Mucous; intense itching and stinging; most at night; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore. SWAIN'S Ointment stops the itching and bleeding, breaks ulceration, and in most cases removes the tumors. At druggists, or by mail, 50 cents. Dr. Swain & Son, Philadelphia.

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"Waiter, I found an oyster in this oyster soup." "It shall not happen again, sir." Detroit Free Press. If the oyster was taken out of some people there wouldn't be enough of 'em left to hang clothes on.—Texas Siftings. Said Adam—I swear to you, you are the first woman I ever loved. Replied Eve—I suppose I shall have to believe you; but this is so sudden.—Boston Transcript. All Recommend it. Ask your physician, your druggist and your friends about Shiloh's Cure for Consumption. They will recommend it. For sale by Wells & Warren.

"Papa," inquired a small girl at the dinner table the other evening, "what's a millionaire?" "That's a millionaires," replied her father. "What did you say?" asked the small girl's father. "Oh, I just said, 'So's yours.'"—New York Evening Sun. Not at Home.—"Unless he discovers me," she whispered, as she shrunk behind the curtains of her window, "he'll find me out." With beating heart she listened, while the door opened and the door and made the talk.—Detroit Tribune. A Fact Worth Knowing. Consumption, La Grippe, Pneumonia, and all Throat and Lung diseases are cured by Shiloh's Cure. For sale by Wells & Warren.

STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—By request of Supt. Balseger, we wish to state that our announcement of "Teachers' Association" in a previous issue was incorrect. We should have made it read state teachers' association, commencing Jan. 1, 1896, holding the 23 and closing the 31 at Portland. Teachers will please note this as it is the desire of the superintendent that all who can will attend.

When most needed it is not unusual for our family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Ter., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future." 50 cent bottles for sale by Phil Cohn, druggist.

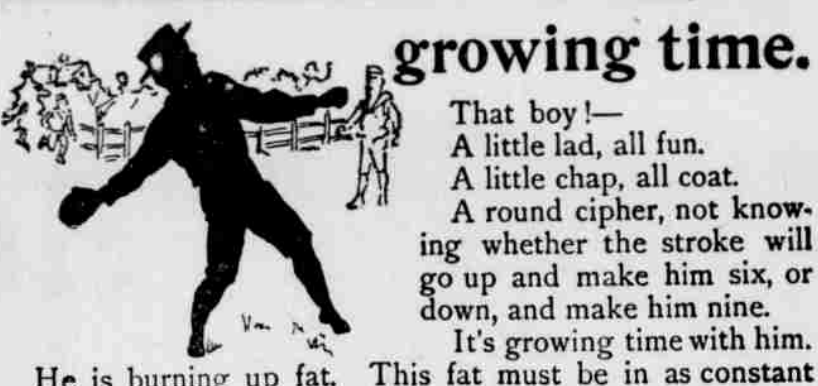
PAINFUL ACCIDENT.—Mrs. Harriet Hallcock had the misfortune to fall down a flight of stairs at Judge Dutton's place, below town, last Friday night, breaking the radius of one arm at the articulation of the elbow, and otherwise bruising her. As she is quite aged the accident is a serious one, though it is thought that she will recover rapidly. Dr. McSwords was called and reduced the fracture.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.—Miss Mary McSwords celebrated her twelfth birthday yesterday afternoon, Dec. 23, at the residence of her parents on Chase street, in company with a number of her young friends who had assembled by previous invitation. Several hours was spent pleasantly and most thoroughly enjoyed. There were present: Mabel Ayers, Winnie Gilliam, Osa Gilliam, Edith Hager, Clara Morgan, Willetta Leizer, Essie Lester, Marie Lewis, Grace Greenwood, Gertrude W. Bridger, Ota Fugua, Pearl Wells, Ester Ford, Luella Nelson, Nora Matlock, Edna Mallory, Etta Rogers, Leah Minor, Willis Minor and Zoe Patterson.

TOOK FRENCH LEAVE.—About 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon, John Masters and John Jenkins, each serving a six-months' sentence in the county jail for petit larceny, escaped and are still at large. James Harrington, who is the jailer, had been allowing them to carry in their wood, unlocking the corridor for that purpose. The corridor is of the Pauly make and defies the efforts of the best jailbreaker, but as these boys were residents and had served out more than half their respective terms, they were given some privileges. After unlocking the corridor, young Harrington stepped out of sight for a few minutes, and upon his return found that the birds had flown. Close search failed to reveal their whereabouts. Joe McAlith, who is awaiting trial for perjury, refused to accompany them.

LETTERS ADVERTISED AT HEPPNER. L. O. Dec. 23, 1895. Hamilton, J. J. McNeal, F. G. When calling for these letters please say advertised. J. F. WILLIAMS, P. M. BIRTHDAY PARTY. MISS MARY MCSWORDS celebrated her twelfth birthday yesterday afternoon, Dec. 23, at the residence of her parents on Chase street, in company with a number of her young friends who had assembled by previous invitation. Several hours was spent pleasantly and most thoroughly enjoyed. There were present: Mabel Ayers, Winnie Gilliam, Osa Gilliam, Edith Hager, Clara Morgan, Willetta Leizer, Essie Lester, Marie Lewis, Grace Greenwood, Gertrude W. Bridger, Ota Fugua, Pearl Wells, Ester Ford, Luella Nelson, Nora Matlock, Edna Mallory, Etta Rogers, Leah Minor, Willis Minor and Zoe Patterson.

WANTED.—Several trustworthy gentlemen or ladies to travel in Oregon, for established, reliable house. Salary \$750 and expenses, steady position. Enclose references and self addressed stamped envelope. The Continental Company, Third Floor, Omaha Building, Chicago, Ill. mar.



growing time. That boy!—A little lad, all fun. A little chap, all coat. A round cipher, not knowing whether the stroke will go up and make him six, or down, and make him nine. It's growing time with him. He is burning up fat. This fat must be in as constant supply as the air he breathes. It has got to come from somewhere. If it does not come from his food, it must come from fat stored up in his body. He steals it and you say "He's getting thin—he's growing so fast." Scott's Emulsion will take that boy, set his digestion at work, re-build that body. His food may not make him fat—Scott's Emulsion will. See how you get Scott's Emulsion when you want it and not a cheap substitute. Scott & Bowne, New York. All Druggists. 50c and \$1.

ELLIS & LYONS, Attorneys at Law, All business attended to in a prompt and satisfactory manner. Notaries Public and Collectors. OFFICE IN NATIONAL BANK BUILDING. HEPPNER. OREGON.

A Brand New Man! It is not meant that the MAN IS SO NEW, but that this paper is called upon to announce to the public that the Hardman mercantile business of W. E. Kahler has been sold to

GEO. A. BROWN, A Well Known Morrow County Boy.

He proposes to carry everything and to sell at prices in competition with the railroad. This is no idle jest, and an inspection of Mr. Brown's stock and place of business will convince you.

GEO. A. BROWN, Hardman, Oregon, Successor to W. E. KAHLER.

Do You Want a Rig? Don't You Want a Place to Put up Your Team? Are You in Need of a Saddle Horse? All these can be procured at Thompson & Binns, Lower Main Street, Heppner, Oregon.

These gentlemen are well acquainted with Grant, Harney, Crook, Gilliam and other counties, and can save money and time in making these sections with traveling men. Prices in keeping with the times. THOMPSON & BINNS, HEPPNER, OREGON.

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GROCERIES, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, STOCKMENS' SUPPLIES, ETC.,

And Wants Your Trade!

He will make it an object for you to trade with him as his prices are right, and all goods that he handles are of the very best.

STORE ON MAIN STREET, NEXT DOOR TO CITY DRUG STORE, Heppner, Oregon.

THE Palace Hotel, C. S. VAN DUYS, Proprietor.

I have taken full control of this popular house, and will make it strictly first class.

MEALS, 25 CTS. BEDS, 25 CTS. Free Baths and Free Tea for all Guests.

DISCOVERED AT LAST! IF Mr. Columbus were alive today and called at Mat Lichtenhal's he might make a new discovery quite as memorable as his of 1492. This was a great discoverer in his day. He would at this time discover the finest stock of Shoes ever shown in Heppner, and the cheapest as well. What more does mortal man want? The Old, Original Shoe Merchant, M. LICHTENHAL, Main Street, Heppner, Oregon. Custom Work a Specialty.

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