

SAD PLIGHT FOR COLOMBIA.

It Finds Itself in a State of Bankruptcy From Rebellion.

Washington, May 15.—A gloomy picture of the terrible plight in which Colombia finds herself, as the result of the exhausting four years of rebellion, is contained in a communication which has reached this city from a source of unquestionable reliability. These advices state that on March 1 last the government gave notice that it had stopped the issue of paper money that was flooding the country, and had turned the lithographic plates, from which it was made, over to a committee composed of prominent members of different political parties. Consequently the government early in April was almost entirely without funds. It had not enough to pay running expenses, to say nothing of foreign claims and demands. Not a cent of interest had been paid on the national debt since the war commenced in 1899. The claims growing out of the recent revolution were assuming tremendous proportions, and as there were no other means of relief, it was apparent that the government again must have recourse to the lithographic stones and start the presses running again. Moreover, it was the general opinion that even the small measure of relief which might follow the receipt of the \$100,000 from the United States on account of the Panama Canal could not be obtained, as it was not expected that Congress would ratify the treaty.

At one time last year, the exchange on New York was 22,000; that is to say, 22,000 Colombian dollars were required to purchase \$1 worth of goods in the United States. It was feared that the rate would go even higher this Summer, for there was over \$1,000,000 worth of this paper money afloat, and it was expected that \$500,000,000 more would be issued immediately to pay war expenses. The foreign debt of 1896 amounted to 12,700,000, on which the interest rate was 2½ and then 3 per cent, but this interest has not been paid for several years. It was the general opinion, according to the report, that the Colombian Government could not pay its debts, and apprehension was expressed as to what might happen in case the foreign creditors pushed for a final settlement of their claims.

Militiamen Unduly Alarmed.

Washington, May 14.—Major William W. Williamson, of Savannah, connected with the National Guard at Georgia, had a conference with Secretary Root today regarding the Dick militia law, and the question whether under it militiamen of one state might be called into service in another state and made to do duty in the suppression of insurrections and strikes. Some, at least, of the Southern militiamen were opposed to being considered in the United States service for any such purpose.

Secretary Root informed Major Williamson that the Dick law did not change the status of the militiamen in respect to any service that they might be called on to perform. The duties and control of the militiamen, he said, were defined by the Constitution, and remained as they had for more than 100 years. As to the suppression of insurrections and disturbances by the United States Government, in which the Army of the United States would be necessary, of course the regular Army would be employed. The Secretary did not care to surmise beyond that point, nor discuss what might happen in the event the regular Army was not sufficient to meet any emergency which might arise.

Edward Kebabian, whom I. O. Negus shot one week ago at Seattle, Wash., because Kebabian had demanded of Negus an apology for insulting Kebabian's sister, is dead from his wounds. A coroner's jury has brought in a verdict that Kebabian came to his death from a gunshot wound, and that the shot was fired by Negus.

Looking for an Old Reservoir Site.

Pilot Rock, Ore., May 15.—A survey is about to start on McKay creek for a feasible reservoir site for the proposed Butter creek irrigation proposition which the government will put in if satisfactory conditions are found to exist. The failure to locate good natural sites in the Echo butte country, as was fervently hoped, forced the engineers to turn to McKay creek for possible sites. A hasty examination was made on this stream near and beyond Pilot Rock, and a corps of surveyors is now to make a thorough investigation. The result of their work will have vital bearing on the success or failure of the Butter creek irrigation scheme, which would cover 200,000 acres.

Sites exist on McKay creek, but their capacity and the amount of expenditure required to put them in reservoir shape are yet to be determined. There is considerable anxiety among the hundreds of holders of land under the probable ditch line in western Umatilla and northern Morrow, to many whom it means a small fortune if the ditch goes through. The first examination will probably be made near what is known as the Whittemore ranch on McKay, and further survey at the forks is destined to follow. The work will be under the general supervision of John T. Whistler.

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To Advance Merger Case.

Washington, May 14.—Authoritative announcement was made today of the intention of the Attorney-General to enter a motion in the Supreme Court of the United States next Monday to advance the hearing of the Northern Securities case, the appeal of which was docketed recently in that court. It is altogether probable that the court will grant the motion, but it is not likely that the court will take action on the motion before the sitting on June 1, when the court will be in session for the last time during the present term. Hence there is no possibility of the argument of the case before the court reconvenes on October 12. As assigned cases never are heard during the first week of a term, the earliest probable date for the hearing is October 19.

The vast importance of the case will be given as the Attorney-General's reason for asking the court to expedite it.

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Restores Dead to Life.

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In 11 out of 23 experiments of this character, Dr. Kemp has succeeded in "restoring dogs to life," and he is convinced that in the case of human beings under different conditions the proportion of restorations would be greater. In the case of the dogs he ascribes their death after an interval of from two or three to 24 hours not to failure of his treatment, but to the fact that the dogs could not be prevented from tearing away the bandages.

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