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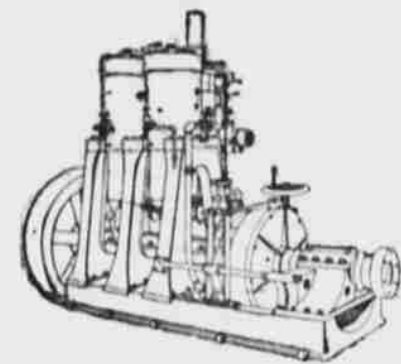
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## PRESIDENT HILL DENIES THE RUMOR

Says the Great Northern and Northern Pacific Will Not Be Consolidated.

## PLENTY OF MONEY IN EUROPE

For Investment, But Securities Are Being Carefully Scrutinized--Mining Matters Active and Disposition to Invest.

New York, April 20.—President J. J. Hill, of the Great Northern railroad, who has recently returned from a three weeks' visit to Europe, in an interview today denied the renewed rumor of a consolidation of the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific. In this connection Mr. Hill said:

"The Great Northern and the Northern Pacific, outside of the joint interests of the roads in the O. R. & N., are as widely separated as any two roads can be. There is nothing in the way of new construction, and as matters stand at present, I think and hope that it will be the policy of the two companies to use their respective roads as now built, until the development of the country increases business sufficiently to justify a further extension.

"There is plenty of money in Europe ready for investment," said Mr. Hill, "but there is also a very marked disposition to scrutinize securities, and there is no inclination to take doubtful securities.

"This is due to Europe's unfortunate Australian and African ventures. There is more activity abroad in mining matters than in any other line. The apparent interest that is at all active is a disposition to invest in British Columbia.

Seattle, April 20.—A rumor that could not be traced to any reliable source was in circulation here today to the effect that the dry dock at the Port Orchard naval station is settling under the weight of the battery that in private conversation some of the Oregon's officers revealed that the dock is inadequate to accommodate ships like the Oregon. The officers will not, of course, say anything for publication. The difficulty is said to be with the ground formation of the dock, which it is said is not hardpan, as it should be.

Secretary Long may appoint a commission to examine and report on the condition of the dock while the Oregon is there. Officers are said to have expressed apprehension that the dock may in course of time become useless, but this is not believed.

## ANOTHER BIG BRIDGE.

San Francisco, April 20.—The Southern Pacific Co. is making arrangements to build a bridge, to cost \$5,000,000, across the Mississippi river at New Orleans.

"We have had this expensive undertaking in mind for some time past," said Vice President Fred Crocker today. "A bridge company will be incorporated to build and operate it and the Illinois Central, Texas and Pacific and Louisville and Nashville roads will become members of the company in partnership with the Southern Pacific. It will do away with transfer by boat of passengers and freight across the Mississippi."

The bridge will have double tracks and will cross the river five miles above New Orleans.

## ANOTHER MATCH.

Carson, Nev., April 20.—A. Livingston, of this city, and Dan Stuart are making active preparations for the August carnival.

Livingston will give out so portion of the program, except to say that the affair will last ten days, and will be more prodigious than the March arrangement. A report reaches here that Stuart privately communicated that he was certain of another match between Corbett and Fitzsimmons.

## WHEAT FALLS WITH A THUD.

Chicago, April 20.—Wheat fell 2c a bushel with a dull third at the opening and lay squirming where it dropped for a matter of fifteen minutes. May closed yesterday at 75c, and was offered for sale at the opening at from 73 1/2 down to 72 1/2. After fluctuating between 73 and 75c, it tried its hand at a little climb, but it was so weak that it soon lost its grip and came sliding down again.

Quotations for English consols were

such a small fraction lower that it was at once perceived no fear of the Russo-Turkish war spreading so as to include the great powers of Europe was entertained in the United Kingdom. The supposed prospect of a general European war having been the whole thing yesterday, the contrary of that expectation was the controlling influence today.

May wheat closed at 75c and July at 73c.

## UNCLE SAM WINS.

Philadelphia, April 20.—The famous hat trimmings case, which indirectly involved between \$20,000,000 and \$25,000,000, and which had been postponed from time to time for the past three years, was finally decided in favor of the government by the jury in the United States circuit court today.

## WEATHER MAN ARRESTED.

Major Stockman Called to Account by the United States Court.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 20.—Major W. H. Stockman, of the United States weather bureau, was sent to jail by Judge Ong this afternoon for contempt of court. Stockman had been called as witness in a damage case, and was expected to tell the jury whether or not it rained on a certain day. He did not appear when called, and Judge Ong issued an attachment for him. The major was on his way to the court room when the deputy sheriff met him.

Judge Ong lectured the major severely. Stockman upheld with great dignity that he was busy with work for the United States government, and added that he held written orders from the department at Washington to attend upon the courts only when he had completed those duties. Judge Ong replied sternly that he did not understand that government officials were above the courts, or that the courts had to wait until they had leisure. He therefore fined Stockman \$5 and costs and ordered him committed until the fine was paid.

Judge Ong held a consultation with the district attorney, Dodge, and as a result of the interview the judge decided to remit Stockman's fine. Stockman was accordingly released.

## THE MARKETS.

Liverpool, April 20.—Wheat—No. 2 Western winter; No. 2 red Northern spring, firm, 68 7/8d.

Hops at London—Pacific coast, dull, 65 and 85.

Portland, April 20.—Wheat—Walla Walla, 74 and 75c; Valley, 76c.

## BOB WON'T FIGHT.

Philadelphia, April 20.—Fitzsimmons tonight declared that he would pay no attention to challenges from Corbett or anybody else.

## FOR THE GYMNASIUM.

Fisher's opera house was comfortably well filled last night at the entertainment given for the benefit of the Uppertown school gymnasium. The program was exceptionally well carried out, and special mention must be made of the vocal numbers rendered by Mesdames Ross, Van Dusen and Trenchard, Miss Garner and Messrs. Short and Belcher, as well as the instrumental numbers by Mesdames Crosby, Olsen, Misses Fox, Young and Mr. Olsen. The recitations by Mabel Larsen and H. B. Vidalin also received their share of merited applause. The march by the 16 young girls and the recitation by Miss Braeker called forth loud praise.

The gem of the evening was the classic duet, "Marie Ritzke," rendered by Mrs. J. T. Ross and Mr. W. Belcher. Much hard work was expended in preparing this number, and the audience was not disappointed in the artistic rendition it received by these two well known artists.

The program as rendered was as follows:

PART I.  
Instrumental Solo—Miss Laura Fox.  
Vocal Solo—Rev. S. Short.  
Recitation—Mabel Larsen.  
Vocal Duet—Mrs. J. T. Ross and W. Belcher.  
Recitation—H. B. Vidalin.  
Vocal Solo—Miss Ruth Garner.

PART II.  
Instrumental Solo—Mrs. Th. Olsen.  
Vocal Duet—Mrs. B. Van Dusen and Mrs. C. J. Trenchard.  
Instrumental Duet—Mrs. Th. Olsen and Prof. Fredericksen.  
Vocal Solo—W. Belcher.

Flag Drill with Tableau—Sixteen girls Admission 25 cents. Reserved seats at Griffin & Reed's without extra charge. Those wishing good seats should call at Griffin & Reed's and get them reserved. Tickets for sale there also.

Dr. Isalah R. Sexton, of Sparta, Kent county, Mich., is one of the thirty-three survivors of the war of 1812.

## VICTORY OF THE TURKS COMPLETE

Milouna Pass Battle Turned In Their Favor By Effective Artillery.

## TURKISH COMMANDER KILLED

Greeks Making a Brave Fight and Gaining Positions—Fowers Still Guarantee Crete Autonomy.

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Summit of the Milouna Pass, Monday morning, April 19.—The Turkish victory of yesterday in Milouna Pass was complete. The correspondent of the Associated Press saw some of the Turkish shells bursting in the middle of a serried battalion of Greeks, with the result that whole groups were killed or wounded.

Jures Effendi, the Turkish commander, and his men had been 24 hours without food or drink. When they were preparing to capture the Greek blockhouse, Jures addressed his soldiers saying: "All those who love God must advance to the assault." This was enough. Every man, with loud shouts, dashed forward in the direction of the blockhouse. The Turks, with a splendid dash, charged with the bayonet and eventually based over the ramparts with shouts of triumph. The Greeks awaited their approach until the Turks were within thirty yards before withdrawing.

In this assault the Turks had only 16 men killed and 17 wounded. Everywhere was to be seen the effect of the Turkish artillery; their terrible shells bursting just at the calculated moment. The Greeks, on the other hand, appeared to be lacking in artillery.

The death of Hafiz Pasha, the Turkish commander who was killed in the fighting which took place in Milouna Pass on Saturday, is greatly lamented. He was 80 years old, and while advancing at the head of his troops was urged to dismount and rest. The old pasha replied: "During the Russian war I never dismounted, and why should I do so now?"

Soon afterwards Hafiz Pasha was wounded in the arm, but he still remained in the saddle. Later, a second bullet struck him on the hand, but yet the old warrior refused to retire. Finally a third bullet broke the gallant pasha's spine, and he rolled from his saddle dead.

## LATER REPROTS.

Milouna Pass, April 20.—Morning—Active preparations for a general advance have been in progress since day-break. During the night the Greeks established themselves on the height near Turnavo, captured the position which the Turks captured last evening. Nechal Pasha opened the attack upon this position this morning with brisk firing from behind defenses. The combatants have not yet come to close quarters. The Greeks brought up several pieces of artillery, which were speedily silenced. The Greeks are now concentrated near Turnavo, whether in great strength or not is not known here. Greek reinforcements have been seen crossing the plains in the direction of Turnavo. Three Turkish batteries have arrived from Monasteri.

## SECOND TURKISH SQUADRON.

Constantinople, April 20.—A second Turkish squadron left the Golden Horn this afternoon for the Dardanelles. It consists of the ironclad Orhanli, the monitor Hifsamia, corvette Manasour, five torpedo boats and four steamers which have been converted into cruisers.

Prince Murvredato, the Greek minister to Turkey, has called for Athens. All the ambassadors except the German ambassador went to the quay to bid him farewell.

## GOING TO THE FRONT.

Athens, April 20.—6 p. m.—All the members of the grand army and other police forces and the military organized, and are now going to the frontier. Citizens have volunteered to guard the town. The same conditions prevail in all the other towns of Greece. On all sides there is a firm determination to meet the Turkish invasion, and every man who can be spared, and who can bear arms, is going to the front.

## PRINCIPAL BATTLE.

London, April 20.—On good authority the Associated Press is informed that the war between Greece and Turkey will not affect the situation in Crete.

The powers have guaranteed the safety of the Musselman population, and they will continue their efforts to pacify the island and endow it with autonomy. The officials of the Turkish embassy here believe, from the wording of Edhem Pasha's dispatch to the Turkish government, that the Greeks will make no great stand until the Turks reach Larissa, where the main battle, it is thought, will be fought. This seems probable, as Prince Constantine, the Greek commander-in-chief, has left Tyrnovo for Larissa.

## LADIES WORK.

Athens, April 20.—4 p. m.—The ladies of Athens, under the patronage of the queen, have converted the steamer Themisly into a floating hospital. Three hundred beds for the wounded have been fitted on board the steamer and she is now proceeding to Volo.

## OREGON RIVERS RISING.

Trains Delayed and Passengers Cared for by Railroad Company.

## SPECIAL TO ASTORIA.

Portland, April 20.—Today the rivers at 9 o'clock read as follows: Portland, 15.5 feet; a rise of 1.2 feet; The Dalles, 25.7 feet; a rise of 1.5; Umatilla, 16.4 feet; a rise of 1.5; Lewiston, 17 feet; a rise of .7. The river at Portland is expected to stand at 18 feet by noon to-night and at 15 feet by noon Friday.

## NO MAIL.

Portland, April 20.—No through Eastern mail arrived today over the O. R. & N. The trouble is due to washouts between Baker City and Huntington. The water is now falling rapidly and it is probable that trains will be moving practically on time tomorrow. The train due here today will arrive tomorrow afternoon. Three trains were held today at Huntington and the passengers were cared for by the O. R. & N.

## CORBETT MAKES CHALLENGE.

New York, April 20.—James J. Corbett today formally challenged Fitzsimmons to meet him again in the prize ring, and deposited \$5000 as forfeit. The challenge was as follows:

"To Robert Fitzsimmons, Champion of the World: I hereby challenge you to box me any number of rounds for the championship of the world, under the provisions of the law, before the club offering the best inducements. As it would be a violation of the law to propose a sidekick, that is a detail that may be settled at your pleasure. As an evidence of my sincerity, however, I have today deposited the sum of \$5000, which I invite you to cover, and name time and place to meet me and arrange the final details."

## THE WHITE SQUADRON.

New York, April 20.—The White Squadron arrived in port this afternoon from Hampton Roads. The flagship New York led, followed by the Maine, Amphitrite, Texas, Raleigh and Columbia. The squadron is to take part in the naval parade next Tuesday, when Grant's tomb is to be dedicated.

## BILLY BIRCH DEAD.

New York, April 20.—Billy Birch, the old-time minstrel, died at his home this afternoon of paralysis of the brain and chronic Bright's disease.

## LIBRARY ENTERTAINMENT.

The program of the entertainment for the library, Friday evening, at Fisher's hall, will consist of two short farces, with an olio of music and living pictures between.

Mr. A. S. Tee, who has had considerable experience in the dramatic line, has the farces in charge, and under his clever management during the past six weeks the performers have reached an excellence seldom attained by amateurs. The plays are bright, vivacious and witty, and the cast of characters well placed in every instance.

The musical numbers will be very pleasing, some of the performers appearing for the first time before an Astoria audience.

The "living pictures" need but to have said that Mrs. Robt. Carruthers has this part of the program in charge, her ability in this line being unquestioned.

Altogether the entertainment is one that promises to be very interesting. The entire cast for the evening consists of thirty-three persons—all stars. Admission, 50 cents; gallery, 25 cents. No extra charge for reserved seats. Tickets on sale at Griffin & Reed's to-day (Wednesday) noon.

George Brandes, the noted Scandinavian literary critic, has recently received the cross of the Legion of Honor.

## ASTORIA STILL IN FRONT RANKS

Her Contractors Have Secured Plans Which Were Well Deserved.

## WILL MAINTAIN HER PRESTIGE

Pioneers in Construction Work Have Set the Pace—Citizens Will Keep Her Reputation As Far Force.

Astoria has established her position. She has demonstrated that she can build things. She has taken several important contracts recently against Portland and San Francisco bidders, and that she will maintain her prestige as a manufacturing town and commercial center only rests with her own people—that they will keep up the home reputation goes without saying, because they must.

Only a short time ago the Astoria Iron Works secured from the United States government the contract for making \$20,000 repairs to the lighthouse tender Manzanita. New shipyards and permanent ways have been constructed at Smith's Point, and in a few days the handsome government steamer will be in the hands of scores of workmen. No one doubts that this is the nucleus of a shipbuilding establishment which will in time rival anything on the Pacific coast.

A few days since Messrs. Normile and Pastabend secured from the United States government the contract for the work to be done in the Nestucca river, at Tillamook. Next week they will commence operations and will employ about thirty Astoria men, and all the supplies, powder, tools, etc., will be purchased in Astoria and shipped from here with the outfit. The work is a \$12,000 job, and will keep the men busy for a number of months.

When the natural development of Astoria takes place, upon the completion of the railroad, such contracts will be of common occurrence, and it needs no prophet to see that those business men who, at a sacrifice to themselves, are standing by the city now, will reap their reward. It is such enterprise that tells, and it is only builds up a community, but reverts to the benefit of the patriotic pioneers themselves.

Normile & Co., the Astoria Iron Works, Columbia Iron Works, Clinton & Sons, Pacific Sheet Metal Works, and others, will go down in the history of this city as among those who pushed for the advancement of the community in a practical manner. Others will come in; tin pal brigades will be organized; prosperity will be here; pay rolls will be numerous; commerce will increase; great ships and steamers will discharge and load cargoes here—but always will be remembered the pioneers who helped the growing port and commercial center to get on its feet.

## NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Astoria Iron Works will be held at their office on Saturday, May 1, 1897, at 7 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
JOHN FOX, President.

Attest: O. B. PRAEL, Sec.

Astoria, Or., April 20, 1897.



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