

WARSHIPS ARE BLUFFING AT CASTRO

Three Dutch warships, the battleship Heemskirk and cruisers Frieland and Gelderland, a demonstration against Venezuela. Together they yesterday along the coast from Puerto Cabello to La Guayana, a distance of 3000 yards from shore. The Jacob Van Heemskerk returned here this morning. The Dutch warships are going to Maracaibo to make a similar demon-

POLICE BELIEVE BOAS COMMITTED SELF MURDER

Wrote and Mailed Letter Addressed to Himself

San Francisco, Dec. 4.—Falling to discover the motive for the murder of Henry J. Boas, a young electrician, who died yesterday from the effects of poison, believed to be strychnine, the police of San Francisco and San Jose, after a thorough investigation of the dead man's antecedents, are inclined to the belief that he mailed the letter accompanying the poison and that he exhibited both letter and powder to at least two friends. The motive for the suicide is strangely lacking as is the motive for a murder.

naval warfare and for the formation of an international prize court, which was recommended by the Hague congress, was opened at Foreign office today. The governments have prepared a list of subjects to be considered and discussed. United States, France, Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Austro-Hungary, Russia, Spain, Holland and Japan will be represented.

NEW SULTAN HAS ACCEPTED TERMS

Paris, Dec. 4.—It was announced today that Mulai Hafid, the new sultan of Morocco, has definitely accepted the Algeiras act and the attendant conditions laid down by the powers for recognition of his sultanate.

RAIN FORECAST FOR TOMORROW

Oregon—Rain tonight or Saturday, easterly winds. Washington—Fair tonight and Saturday; rain or snow easterly winds. Idaho—Rain or snow tonight and Saturday.

FRAMING CODE FOR NAVAL WAR

London, Dec. 4.—A conference of the powers called by Great Britain for the framing of a code of laws for the framing of a code of laws for

EXERCISES IN HONOR OF GROVER CLEVELAND

New York Dec. 4.—Notable exercises in memory of the late Grover Cleveland, ex-president of the United States, constituted the opening session of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, of which he was chairman during a year and a half of the time of its organization and at its death. On the program of brief addresses were President Paul Morton, of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, and Dr. John H. Finley, president of the College of the City of New York. Letters were read from former Vice President Adlai E. Stevenson, Governor Hoke Smith, and Hilary A. Herbert, members of Cleveland's cabinet.

Mr. Herbert's Letter. Mr. Herbert said in his letter among other things: "When Mr. Cleveland had come into office in 1892, although the educated sentiment of the country was behind him for tariff reform and sound money, the great body of his party knew little of the discipline of that defeat, and thus situated his new administration was confronted at its very outset by a financial crisis. The money panic of 1893 was on March 4th, already begun—precipitated in part by the Sherman silver purchase act. Mr. Cleveland gratefully acknowledged the confidence had been reposed in him, and he endeavored to improve, exports even under the imperfect effort at reform made by the Wilson-Gorman law, had begun to increase, and the next administration, no matter by what party conducted, was certain to inherit the prosperity resulting from reviving commerce, just as Mr. Cleveland had inherited a financial panic. The Democracy went off in 1894 after the ignis fatuus of free silver, seen its new opportunity. It adopted a sound money platform, placed upon it one of its many statesmen who had reason money views, and Mr. McKinley now had the supreme good fortune to come in to preside over a country whose prosperity had been assured by whose freedom and courage of his predecessor. Business under Mr. McKinley flourished, not because of a country sweetened by his law, which has proven to be the great mother of trusts and the grandmothers of the present 'trust-busting' era of politics. Mr. Cleveland was not a politician, he intrigued neither for place nor fame, his shining qualities gave him place and impartial history will take care of his fame. Duty was not his watchword, because he did not indulge in catch phrases, but it was his guiding star under whose steady light he always quietly pursued his way, both in public and private life. As a husband and father he was a model of the domestic virtue. As a companion he was lovable—most lovable to those who knew him best, knew that every manifestation of affection came from a warm heart. It is a benediction to have been one of his intimates. It is a sweet memory to have been his friend. If the meeting which your society has organized in his honor shall disseminate a wider knowledge of his life, he was in all the relations of life, it will prove to the public to be a benediction."

President Morton's address concluded as follows: "Mr. Cleveland will long be remembered by the American people because it was he who in 1894 during the great labor riots at Chicago ordered the military force and quelled the mob, thereby stamping out anarchy, extinguishing the fire of incendiarism, suppressing violence and restoring law and order. His message to the people was a message of peace and good will, and it is a fitting tribute to his memory that the doctrine was to be practiced as well as preached by Americans."



THE LATE GROVER CLEVELAND

He was a man of unusual wisdom, and his intuition was most acute. His opinions of men were a most accurate. He was suspicious of politicians, and could not tolerate machine methods, but he had an abiding faith in the people, and was devoted to the government. He loved his country, not as a matter of personal ambition, but as a thing apart from his own interests. He detested graft even in its mildest form, and intensely believed the doctrine that public office should be treated as a public trust, not to be used for private gain. In all matters of official conduct, Mr. Cleveland lived up to his high ideals, never abandoning them for a temporary success. In his human life, he was gentle and loving as a little child, and his tender spirit, usually covered behind a determined will, was always present. In God and the future his faith knew no doubt. It rested upon the conviction of his youth, unchanged by manhood.

CHADWICK POINTED TO SUCCEED ROOT

Washington, Dec. 4.—Judge Chadwick declines to accept or not he will accept of supreme judge of Governor Mead, the resignation of Milo A. Root, owing to which might result in his going to Olympia some plan of action.

GOVERNOR-ELECT COSGROVE IS MUCH IMPROVED

San Luis, Obispo, Cal., Dec. 4.—Governor-elect Cosgrove of Washington, was better today than at any time since he commenced treatment here. Physicians are hopeful that he will be restored to health.

Charley Young's Chinese laundry has been moved from E. L. Campbell's house on Lincoln street to the old Hendricks residence on East Ninth street, near Pierce Bros. grocery.

Boyd Adams of Springfield, was in town today.

WHEAT MARKET

Dec. 4.—\$1.05 1/2; May, July \$1.03 3/4.

Great Pre-Christmas Selling. We have been planning for months to make this Xmas season the greatest in our history. New goods have been bought in the Eastern markets with this object in view. Goods you want to present to your friends, suitable presents, up-to-date novelties, useful and ornamental. More attractive than ever. Our store is full of the best attainable. Do you realize the short time in which to do your shopping. We would suggest you come now and during the morning hours to avoid the afternoon rush. The benefit will be yours as well as ours.

XMAS NOVELTIES. Entirely new specialties for Christmas. Conspicuous and attractive is a new handkerchief bag; looks like a doll. Top is doll's head, bag is the dress. each \$1.50. FANCY TWINE HOLDER. Doll head with bonnet and dress; twine draws from the mouth; each 50c. PIN CUSHIONS. New designs, come in yellow, pink and blue; each 30c. COAT HANGERS. Silk covered Coat Hangers; each 75c. MILITARY BRUSHES. Rosewood back, white bristle brush, the pair 65c.

Xmas Furs. There is hardly an article more useful or more appropriate for an Xmas gift than a set of furs. We can fit the purse with the best furs sold in America. Collars \$1.50 to \$25.00. Muffs \$6.50 to \$15.00. CHILDREN'S FURS. White Angora Collar and Muff; nothing nicer for the children; the set \$2.50 and \$3.50. FEATHER BOAS. White Feather Boa, comfortable dressy, each \$3.50. Long champagne colored Feather Boa, very pretty, each \$5.00.

Hard to Select Present for a Man. Could you ever hear such an expression? Allow us to suggest—White, red, gray or fancy sweater, each \$2.50 to \$5.00. Teck or Four-in-hand Tie, new shades; each 25c and 50c. A fancy Shirt; big assortment; each \$1.00 to \$2.50. A pair of fine Suspenders in a fancy box; the pair 50c to \$1.50. A Jap Silk Handkerchief or Muffler, each 50c, 75c and \$1.00. A silk Umbrella, fancy handle, each \$1.00 to \$2.00. A good raincoat, each \$12.00 to \$25.00. A House or Smoking Jacket, each \$4.00 to \$8.00. A combination set, Garters, Suspenders and Arm Bands, the set, 75c and \$1.50. A pair of wool Golf Gloves, pair, 25c, 50c. A pair of Silk Golf Gloves, pair \$1.50. A suit of clothes, the suit, \$10.00 to \$30.00. An Overcoat, each, \$10.00 to \$30.00. A hat \$1.50 to \$8.00.

White Aprons. Could you select anything more useful than a white apron? We have a large line from which to select. Round Apron or Lawn Apron, lace or embroidery trimmed, each 25c, 50c and 75c. Sewing Apron, large pocket across front, or long square Apron, each 50c. Long, large Nurse's Apron, with straps over shoulders; wide strings reach 50c. Long bib Apron, straps over shoulders, wide hem; each 35c. HANDKERCHIEFS AS PRESENTS. Nothing better, little as good for presents; always useful—never have too many. We are ready with fine sheer Swiss or Linen, hemstitched edge, embroidered centres and corners; fine dainty designs. Early purchasers secure the best patterns; each 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c to \$1.50. HAIR RECEIVERS. Clean, lace and ribbon covered Hair Receivers, each 50c. HAT PIN HOLDERS. Looks like a fall blown rose; each 75c.

Hampton Bros. 558-564 Wilamette St. WHERE CASH BEATS CREDIT

STANDARD OIL PROSECUTION ENDS. Cases on Trial at Findlay Are Dismissed.

Findlay, O., Dec. 4.—The Standard Oil Co. prosecutions in this county suddenly came to a termination today at the request of Attorney David A. All. Indictments are nolle prossed. David's action resulted from the fact that the alleged illegal practices he sought to correct have, it is declared, been eliminated, and further that the suits against the Standard are now being prosecuted by the Attorney General of the United States and the Attorney General of Ohio, and in the Federal courts of Missouri.

HEAVY FIRE LOSS IN EASTERN TOWNS. Centralls, Pa., Dec. 4.—Sixty-five families are homeless as the result of a fire which last night wiped out three squares in the heart of town. It started in a moving picture show. The loss is a hundred thousand dollars.

Oregon apples, fit for kings, will be shown after Christmas time in a New York store window in a way that will attract widespread attention. Twenty boxes of the best fruit, the Portland Commercial Club to King Edward VII and Emperor Wilhelm of Germany. Before being shipped to the titled recipients the fruit will be exhibited in the window of Macy's, New York, one of the biggest department stores in the world.

SCHOOL FOR DEAF AND BLIND BURNED. Idaho Institution Badly Damaged by Fire.

Blair, Dec. 4.—The Central school building, a temporary structure occupied by the Idaho State School for Deaf, Dumb and Blind, was partially destroyed by fire early this morning. Forty children, inmates were being marched to breakfast when the alarm was given and they were taken from the building in perfect order. The loss is ten thousand. The fire is believed to have started from a defective flue.

RIVER STILL RISING BUT PINE BLUFF MAY BE SAVED. Pine Bluff, Dec. 4.—The Arkansas river at this point is still rising, but from present indications the business section will be saved. A number of small dwellings have caved into the river.

Overflow meetings are held by the broad line of the unemployed outside the door of the Charly Organization Society in Seattle daily from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m., while they wait their turn to see Superintendent Louie Kohn for relief. The daily average of new faces seen in Mr. Kohn's office for November was about 30. Many of the men are hungry and say they are willing to work. Idle men are drifting into Seattle from all parts of the Northwest. The Ashland ladies tagged people for a fund for beautifying the city and raised over \$200.

STEAMER SOO CITY PROBABLY WRECKED NEAR CAPE RACE

Large Amount of Wreckage and Life Preservers Found

North Sydney, B. C., Dec. 4.—It is reported that a large amount of wreckage and furniture, including a steamer's cabin and sixty life preservers, bearing the name of "Soo City," were found near Cape Race yesterday.

Only Fourteen Men. Chicago, Dec. 4.—The "Soo City," carried a crew of fourteen, when she left Chicago, and was commanded by Captain J. G. Dillon. She was valued at \$35,000 and recently changed ownership.

Carried Twenty-Eight Miles. New York, Dec. 4.—The "Soo City," bound from ports of the Great Lakes to New York, was last reported on November 11 at Ogdensburg. Usually she carried a crew of 28 men, and was consigned to T. H. Franklin of this city, at whose office it is stated, there were no passengers.

Heard From November 13. Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 4.—The "Soo City" left Michigan City, Nov. 13 for the Atlantic ocean.

FAMOUS MARQUAM CASE COMPROMISED AT PORTLAND

By a quitclaim deed given yesterday by Judge P. A. Marquam to the Title Guarantee & Trust Company, litigation between the parties over the Marquam building and 80 acres of land in Rossmore comes to an end, says the Oregonian. Judge Marquam is to receive from the Ladds \$70,000 of which \$10,000 will go to pay deficiency of judgments. After all fees and charges have been paid, it is understood that Judge Marquam will have between \$30,000 and \$35,000 net for himself. This sum will provide him a comfortable living for the remainder of his advanced years.

Judge Marquam is 86 years of age. In addition to the cash settlement, he is to have free office rent in the Marquam building for two years. As a result of the settlement suits now pending in the supreme court will be withdrawn and further litigation averted. Judge Marquam, under the terms of the agreement, relinquishes all claims in the property and perhaps the most famous civil case in the history of Oregon courts is brought to an abrupt termination.

Terms Agreed To, Papers Signed. The terms of settlement were finally agreed upon and proper documents signed yesterday afternoon at a meeting in the offices of Watson, Beckman & Watson, one of the firm of lawyers acting in the interest of Judge Marquam. Judge E. B. Watson, W. D. Fenton and John Manning represented the Marquam interests, but at the meeting yesterday only Judge Watson was present. Attorney J. Couch Flanders and S. B. Lathrop attended in the interests of the Ladds.

Large part of the work of bringing the two parties together was done by John Manning, ex-District Attorney, who rendered important aid to E. B. Watson. Marquam's attorney, through the long litigation, Mr. Manning came into the case a year ago, when, as prosecuting officer, he was probing the Title Guarantee & Trust Company bank wreck.

POSSIBLY A SIX OR SEVEN-STORY BLOCK ON 9TH STREET

Mr. and Mrs. John Davies are considering a proposition to build on their lot at the northeast corner of Oak and Ninth streets, facing the Odd Fellows two-story building, a building of similar character, perhaps six or seven stories high. It would be a good investment and would bring a better income than almost any other kind of investment. The Odd Fellows have rented all the rooms in their White Temple and could rent many more if they had them, and the demand will continue to increase much faster than the supply, unless property owners get busy.—Oregon State Journal.

The many friends in Eugene of Mr. and Mrs. W. Laid Thompson, will be pained to learn that their infant son, Harold, three months old, died at their home Wednesday noon at Lakeview, Oregon. Mrs. Thompson was formerly Miss Elsie Hobbs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hobbs of this city.