

The Emperor of China, it is now reported, did not lose his head but simply surrendered the right of using it in the affairs of the empire.

An exchange says truthfully of the private character of the new senator: "Jo Simon is a man who does not use liquor or tobacco. He is a man who uses no profane language or engages in telling stories. He is a man who has no time to spend in idling, playing billiards or cards, and he is not a baseball or football expert."

Senator Simon has announced that his program in congress will be a strong advocacy of

- The gold standard.
Currency reform.
National expansion.
The Nicaragua canal.
A larger standing army.
A greater navy.
A transpacific cable.

Hofer of the Salem Capital Journal who had it in for Mark Hanna and Max Pracht in 1896 because he thought they were "Jews" seems now to have gotten on to himself and as chief floggerman of the "Jo Simon movement in Salem must feel quite at home with the Hebrew children. It is nothing but fair however to state that the man who claims to be a gentle and says he can prove it physically.

R. G. Dunn & Co's. weekly trade review for Saturday contains this interesting fact concerning the small profits in business investments:

With actual payments through the clearing houses 1.2 per cent. higher than in the same week of 1912, it cannot be said that business is in any sense falling off, and yet many are complaining because the amount realized as profit is smaller than was formerly realized in good times. In almost every branch of business trade is now transacted on a narrower margin of profit than in any other time of fair prosperity. There is a great change, and, perhaps a permanent one, in the percentage of profit from trade and manufacture, as well as in profits obtained by transporters. The greatest civilization calls for a lower range of profits and of prices, as the volume of business increases, in order to make an improvement of the working millions.

Baker City Epigram, Populist

It has been noted that the fusion members of the Oregon legislature extended complimentary votes for the senatorial office to prominent democrats and leading silver Republicans of the state, but not a populist was tendered the "empty honor." This is especially offensive to Baker county fusion opponents as it is here that the dearest candidate for senatorial office is the man who occupied the leading place on the fusion state ticket. He certainly has justly earned recognition from fusion legislators. Why he should be thus overlooked can only be told by the fusion legislators themselves. This apparent ingratitude may perhaps be explained on the theory that fusion is and always has been ungrateful.

Portland Welcome

A young woman committed suicide in New York the other day because "she had formed an ideal of what a husband should be and was unable to find the right man to fill the requirements." She should have come out to Portland and inquired at this office.

The Duke of Tetuan, formerly Spanish minister of foreign affairs, recently said in criticism of Sagasta that the Premier Onanosa and himself had always looked on an American war as the certain ruin of Spain. The duke was very unpatriotic not to have put this conviction into a speech at a time when it might have been of some use to his country.

At Biggs, Cal., 450 acres of hemp this year has yielded the growers from \$120 to \$200 per acre.

The iron deposits near Lovelock, Nev., are being developed by eastern capitalists. A broad-gauge railway will be built to connect the mines with the Central Pacific.

A canal that was one of the progeny of that herd of camels brought to the United States from Asia Minor in 1856 by Admiral Porter, was recently killed and eaten by Indians near Yuma, A. T.

Thomas Charnan, a pioneer of the old Hudson Bay country, and a prominent merchant for many years, has retired from business.

John Barranca, an inmate of the Stockton state hospital for the insane, was killed by a train knocking him in the right side while he was the cat-guarded culvert. He escaped from the asylum by picking the lock. He was sent from San Francisco in July of this year.

Collector of Port Andrew W. Francisco of Los Angeles, was found dead in bed at his home, recently. He had died during the night of heart disease.

Mrs. Spencer, widow of the late Francis E. Spencer of San Jose, has presented the Stanford university with the entire library of Judge Spencer, who was president of the board of trustees at one time. The library was of much value, and contained one of the few complete sets of the United States reports, and an almost complete set of state records. It also includes a rare collection of botanical works, notably being the favorite study of the late Judge.

David Frank Majors, one of the supervisors of Contra Costa county, who went to Missouri a few weeks ago, is reported to have died in that state. He was 68 years of age, and an old settler of Walnut creek.

France is said to have concluded a treaty with Abyssinia against England in the Fashoda affair.

The police at Alexandria, Egypt, have unearthed plots of anarchists to kill King Humbert of Italy and Emperor William of Germany.

While addressing the convention of daymen at Omaha, H. L. Gates, dairy commissioner of Iowa, was stricken with apoplexy, and died fifteen minutes later.

A nice line and carefully selected stock of ladies' and children's underwear at Vaspel, Norris & Drake's.

The Steamer Mohagan founders during a storm. One of the crew, the Captain, was drowned. The Captain among the lost.

The Atlantic Transport company's Steamer Mohagan, formerly the Cleopatra of the Wilson and Furness Ford line, was wrecked off the island of Falmouth, Oct. 29. Of the 290 persons consulting passengers and crew only 31 were saved.

The Mohagan left London for New York with 50 passengers and 150 in the crew. The vessel struck on a rock during a terrible storm, and, according to reports, the passengers and crew were drowned like rats. A tremendous sea was running after her machinery was disabled. Lifeboats put off from the Lizard and from Falmouth, one returning filled with passengers. Several were drowned, however, it is reported, on the passage west of the Lizard. The vessel's lifeboat saved six persons. The coast at that point is extremely dangerous, and has been the scene of numerous wrecks. Some years ago there was a movement to get a light-ship placed there, but it failed. A dispatch from Falmouth says the Mohagan foundered and was probably blown ashore by the heavy east wind after her machinery was disabled. All the Falmouth tugs went out, but none was able to approach the vessel.

The members of the ship's company who survived say that 150 went down with the Mohagan, but the company officers at Falmouth state that there were only 133 persons on the steamer all told, and that consequently less than 100 perished. The company's account indicates that the Mohagan numbered 95, and of these 35 are known to have been saved. The survivors, without exception, speak in the highest terms of the devotion, fidelity and coolness displayed by the officers and crew of the steamer, and declare that all were instantly at their posts when it was known that she had struck.

The steamer Mohagan (then the Cleopatra) arrived at New York on August 12th last on her maiden trip from London. She is a single screw steamer, 3500 tons register, 460 feet long by 52 feet beam, and about 36 feet in depth of hold. She has (or had) accommodations for 125 passengers, and a capacity for between 7000 and 8000 tons of freight, and 700 cattle. Her commander is Captain Griffiths, commodore of the Atlantic transport fleet. She is one of the five vessels recently purchased from the Wilson and Furness Ford line by the Atlantic Transport company to replace the Mohawk, Mobile, Massachusetts, Michigan, and Mississippi, which were sold to the United States to be used as transports.

Occupying Cuba.

Few American troops will reach Havana before December if the president listens to the recommendations of the military commission, and Colonel Leander Hecker even recommends that the landing be made no earlier than 45 days hence. One reason is that the weather will be much improved by December. A more important reason is a desire to use no docks, warehouses, hospitals, or camps that have been used by Spanish or Cuban. The commissioners urge the president to authorize them to build everything new in order to avoid yellow fever. If the president decides that he cannot wait until December the troops will have to disperse in direct contact with yellow fever. The matter of proper food for the soldiers is now receiving considerable attention. It is safe to predict that the habit of eating bacon will be discarded as a staple diet.

General Maximo Gomez.

General Maximo Gomez has quarreled with his whole staff near Rivas, in the province of Santa Clara. His secretary, Valdez Dominguez, his physician Dr. Alvarez, and his chief of staff, Colonel Boza, and eight aids have left him with only two negroes from San Domingo, named Donato and Rosario and a few colored soldiers. General Gomez is expected to arrive near Havana at any moment. There is great opposition among the Cubans to his candidacy for president of the republic.

A freight on the Southern Pacific was wrecked one mile beyond Culebra, near Hornbrook, Cal., and one engine and eight cars were derailed, and two brakemen, named Bush and Rhodes, were injured, the former having his leg broken. The cause of the accident has not been definitely ascertained.

A Chinese was recently arrested in Tucson for drunkenness, and the event is commented on there as the second instance in the history of the city where a Mongolian became intoxicated to such an extent as to celebrate in a strictly Arizona fashion.

The gross receipts of the San Francisco post-office for September, were \$76,985, an increase of \$439, or 0.5 per cent. over the same period last year. The Los Angeles receipts were \$19,974, an increase of \$656.

In a head-on collision near Great Falls, Me., between two freight trains, due to misunderstanding of orders, Engineer Charles Goddard and brakeman Robert T. June were killed and fireman A. L. Ritchie probably fatally injured.

Charles E. Cornelius, one of the most prominent attorneys of Pittsburg, was killed by a train near Sewickley, Pa. The train was on the Pennsylvania.

You invite disappointment when you experience DeWitt's Little Early Remedy. They cure constipation and sick headache just as sure as you take them. T. K. Bolton and Telephone Drug Store.

Rear Admiral John Carson Felbriger, U.S.N., retired, died Monday at his home near Easton, Md.

In regard to the situation at Panama, Ill., Governor Tanner says that if the operators persist in employing imported labor he will withdraw the troops from that place.

Joseph Corcoran, aged 23, accidentally shot and seriously wounded Lelia Slade, aged 19, while playfully exhibiting a revolver at Cayley, Ill. When in remorse he committed suicide.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. It is now cured and prevented by local remedies. Many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure it, they have ruined many constitutions. Catarrh is a disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by J. C. Kenney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful, acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces in all cases of catarrh. It is sold by all druggists. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists. 75c. Hall's Family Tonic is the best.

MUST GIVE UP THE PHILIPPINES.

The American Peace Commissioners Intentionally What They Want.

A dispatch from Paris says: Monday the conference reached a crisis for the first time. Judge Day presented the demands of the American commission in threatening words. He said the delay was only the object of the Spanish commission to saddle the United States with the Cuban debt, and would be tolerated no longer, as the United States would neither assume nor guarantee any part of the debt.

The Spaniards replied that this placed Spain in a position of repudiating or reducing the face value of the Cuban bond from 50 to 60 per cent, paying only half the stipulated interest on the reduced value. Before they adopted either alternative they would surrender to the United States the entire Philippines.

Judge Day responded that the surrender of the Philippines would probably be demanded, irrespective of the Cuban or any other debt.

This, to the Spaniards, the first intimation of the intentions of the United States as to the Philippines, resulted in a whispered conference, followed by an adjournment, in order to communicate with the Madrid government.

Judge Day said that President McKinley had instructed him to demand the entire surrender of Porto Rico Tuesday, and the delivery of every town to the United States officers before midnight, together with the evacuation of Havana on or before November 1st, when the United States would be at the gates of the city ready to take possession.

There was no alternative offered in the case of either of these demands. The session, consequently, was very brief. The American commissioners have received dispatches from Washington indicating that the administration is irritated and indignant over the delay of the Spanish commissioners.

NOTES FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

Items of Interest From the Far-off Islands.

A rumor at Manila says that Macabulos, chief of the five northern provinces of the Philippine islands, has rebelled against Aguinaldo, and that hard fighting has taken place between the opposing factions.

It is also reported at Manila that General Rios, the Spanish commander at Iloilo, has sent emissaries from that place to undermine Aguinaldo's influence, and induce the natives to demand that Spain retain the Philippines.

The total shipments of fresh fruits east for the season at Falmouth were about 200 carloads.

The fruit harvest is substantially over in all parts of the state south of Tulare county.

The shipment of celery has begun upon a small scale from the best lands near Santa Ana.

Recent sales of hops by growers have been made at from 11 1/2 to 12 cents per pound.

Contracts have been made for about 2000 acres of sugar beets next season near Colusa, presumably for the Crockett factory.

A new cannery is to be built at San Lorenzo with a capacity of 200,000 cases for the season. The citizens give the land and a cash bonus of \$3000.

Washington people estimate the hop crop of that state at 20,000 bales, a great part of which has been contracted at from 10 to 12 cents a pound.

The Sonoma county hop crop will be about 14,000 bales, of which very little has been sold. Offers of 11 and 12 cents are made, but growers ask 13 to 15 cents.

There is to be a vigorous effort to introduce sugar beet culture into Fresno county the coming season. The effort does not originate with the growers, but with the sugar factories which need beets.

The Napa valley grapes run from 24 to 25 per cent of sugar this season. Prices of wine grapes range from \$10 to \$15 per ton.

The search for water induced by the dry season has resulted in many valuable discoveries. The latest announced is in Riverside county, where from 13 wells 1300 inches of irrigating water has been obtained.

The seepage from some of the irrigating canals in Fresno county has been causing much trouble. Ponds have formed and some lands rendered useless. In at least one case an underground drain is to be laid for some distance to carry off the water.

A telephone line between Tacoma and British Columbia and Mexico, is just completed, making the longest telephone line in the United States.

Charles Albrecht, the big game hunter, arrested at Santa Rosa, pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to three years in Folsom and to pay a fine of \$1000.

An Aurora, Or., doctor removed two splinters, each half a foot long, from under a woman's scalp. The woman had fallen backward against a door jamb, and the splinters followed the curve of the skull.

Official notification was received by R. C. Stevens, general western passenger agent of the Great Northern railway, of Seattle, of a reduction of 1 per cent per mile in the passenger rates in the states of Washington, Idaho, and Montana.

Charles Snyder, of Ashland, Or., a Southern Pacific brakeman, was instantly killed at Zuleka, Cal. An extra freight train was switching, and in jumping upon a moving car he missed his footing and was thrown under the wheels, his head being entirely severed from his body.

The interior department authorities have received a telegram from the Dawes commission denying the report that the intermarriage white men had been ordered of the reservations of the Five Tribes.

Ladies, take the test. If you are troubled with constipation, yellow skin and a tired feeling, take Dr. King's Great Peppermint Cure. Sold by T. K. Bolton.

The engineers of the San Francisco and San Joaquin Valley road are inspecting the Teton pass.

The Northern Pacific railway company has reduced its passenger rates 20 per cent in the state of Washington.

Cost lumbermen have advanced the price of lumber from \$9.50 and \$10 per M. to \$11, cargo delivery.

English purchasers have secured the Coaling wells of Fresno county, for a locally stated price of \$300,000.

A \$25,000 paper manufacturing plant is to be erected on the Truckee river, 20 miles from Reno, Nev.

Track is laid on the Visalia, Cal., division of the Valley road to Corcoran Junction, 24 miles from Visalia.

The Oregon Short line will lay 10,000 tons of steel rails on the main line from Glenn's ferry, Idaho, to Huntington, Oregon.

Custom house receipts in San Francisco the first week of October were \$91,095.08, a total since January of \$4,627,743.32.

The value of five exportations of henequen from Merida, Mexico, in August, to New Orleans, New York, and Hongkong, amounted to \$1,046,988.49.

Three hundred tons of grapes on the vines in Santa Clara county, have been sold for \$9 a ton. That price is considered equal to about 15 cents a gallon for wine.

The Stockton and Tuolumne county, Cal., railroad company will issue bonds to the extent of \$1,000,000, payable 40 years after date, and bearing 6 per cent interest.

Work laying on the Utah Pacific and Southwestward to Milford to Pioche, Nev., was begun on the 11th. President McCune, says it will never be stopped until the road gets to the Pacific.

The Equimault and Namsimo railway has been extended to Oyster Bay, 15 miles from Namsimo, B. C. The shipments of coal during August from Vancouver island was 75,700 tons.

San Francisco has been selected as the Episcopal church in 1911.

The Seventh California regiment, which has been encamped at the Presidio for the past five months, was sent to Southern California, its home, late in the month of August. It has been given a 30-days furlough, at the end of which time they will be mustered out.

Victor Anderson, 13 years old, of Wheatland was accidentally killed by his brother Leander, aged 17, while hunting. A twig of a tree struck the hammer of the gun and caused it to discharge, and the charge of shot entered Victor's breast killing him instantly.

About 1500 contract Japanese laborers have been brought to Hawaii since the islands were annexed, and 1200 more are expected within the next ten days. The steamship Astor, which arrived at Honolulu recently brought 715, and the Infanta, which is expected to sail on a tramp steamer September 23rd, and 500 on a second steamer September 25th. Something like 650 arrived six weeks ago, and a few from time to time on regular mail steamers.

Mrs. Richard Barry, whose home was in Paradise valley, Nev., was found dead in a lodging house in San Francisco. The young woman's husband was many years her senior, and she was a devoted wife and mother of a young man named Donovan who was a big debutant for days before the woman's death. Whether Mrs. Barry's death was due to natural causes or violence is undecided. Donovan left Mrs. Barry before she died, and was absent some days. When he learned of her death he surrendered to the authorities, and was locked up pending an investigation of the case.

Charles Whitlow, a machinist, committed suicide at San Francisco while confined in a cell for the issue at the city prison.

Opinion of an Eminent Jurist.

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Bismarck and William II.

The new book of memoirs of Bismarck by Dr. Moritz Busch is like another volume of an autobiography, following two predecessors. After reading it one is tempted to doubt whether Bismarck really left anything more to be published in the way of personal revelations. He seems to have looked on Dr. Busch as his literary executor and Boswell, for he certainly emptied his heart and memory into the voracious diary of this servile and faithful expiator, who had that first requisite of a biographer, boundless admiration of his subject.

Bismarck needed such a confidant in his brutal and garrulous cynicism, knowing that the world would thus get his views pretty much as he thought them, with out the immediate responsibility of publication over his own name. It is not for the purpose of reviewing the book, but to call attention to a certain Bismarckian phase that the present comment is written. This is the great emphasis on the relation to his sovereign, William I. It seems that he gloried in his career as the "alter (majorque) kaiser" of Prussian king and German emperor, yet running all through his expression of affection and devotion to William there is a tone of contempt which sometimes reaches the verge of scornful wrath. There was something fierce and hard in the arrogance of the great chancellor, even in reference to one for whom he had the most sincere affection, and who lay under such a burden of obligation to him.

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The First Colorado battery has been mustered out without furlough. It was stationed at Fort Laramie.

Jesse James Jr., son of the notorious bandit, is in jail at Kansas city, charged with train robbery.

Denver people have sent boxes of supplies to the Colorado regiment at Manila, to be used for Thanksgiving dinner.

Cora Smith McCaulby, who was serving a life sentence in the Anamosa penitentiary for the poisoning of her father, Michael Smith, committed suicide in prison at Des Moines, Iowa.

Manzanillo, Cuba, has been turned over to American troops by the Spanish officials.

The candy and cracker factory of the Winn-Johnson company, and the paint store of T. C. Burke, at Macon, Ga., recently burned.

Captain Joseph Hale of the Third United States Infantry, died at St. Luke's hospital, N. Y., of fever contracted during the Santiago campaign.

As the result of a fight over a woman John W. Edwards recently shot and killed Alexander Charlton at St. Louis. Charlton was divorced three years ago, since then his wife has kept boarders, Edwards being one of them. Charlton became jealous of Edwards, and called at the house to see him, and a fight ensued, resulting in Charlton's death.

The government estimates show that the crops of wheat and maize of Buenos Ayres promises excellent returns. The damage caused by locusts is insignificant this year, and there will be a large surplus for export.

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