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NEWS OF THE WEEK

From all Parts of the New and Old World.

BRIEF AND INTERESTING ITEMS

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Current Week.

Ballie and Waldo Orem, children, were asphyxiated by coal gas at their home in Leipsic, O.

The barge Canistee, which went adrift off Cape Cod, has been found in Barnstable bay, with all the crew well.

The Auditorium at Kansas City, recently burned, will be rebuilt at once, and will be ready for occupancy September 1.

In a saloon row between Kentucky mountaineers at Manchester, Will Burdy, James Philpot and Bob Gregory were killed.

Veins of gilsonite of sufficient size to warrant development have been discovered on Willow creek in the Middle Park, Colorado.

M. Tunakoshi, Japanese vice-consul at San Francisco, has been hurriedly recalled to Tokio. It was thought he would be secretary to the legation at Washington.

The French embassy at Washington denies that M. Maillard passed through Washington en route to Cuba to investigate for his government the conditions on the island.

Jacob Stryer and wife were cremated in their burning farmhouse in Fayette county, Pennsylvania. Within 48 hours, six others burned to death in that county.

Frederick Walsen, state treasurer of Colorado, was married to Miss Emma Storck, aged 25. After the war, Walsen's broken health was nursed back by the bride's mother.

The burgomaster of Wieschowitz, a suburb of Prague, has been arrested. Many compromising papers concerning the recent riots in Prague were found in his possession. It is alleged that he assisted in placing the bomb under the German schoolhouse at Wieschowitz, which the Czechs attacked and attempted to demolish recently.

Fire destroyed the large pipe organ in the Great Northern hotel, Chicago, entailing a loss of $20,000. Although the fire was confined entirely to the organ, it sent out such clouds of smoke that many of the guests became alarmed, and a serious panic was narrowly averted.

Sheepmen in Southern Colorado are losing thousands of sheep by snow and extremely cold weather.

The Northern Pacific Railway Company has reduced wages of car repairers at Superior 25 cents a day.

The schooner Ballora Loherman, Captain Plummer, from South River, N. J., for Boston, foundered without warning Sunday morning off Highland Lights. No lives were lost.

Charles W. Winkler, a brakeman on the Columbia & Puget Sound railway, was run over by a coal car and killed in the Seattle yards. Winkler formerly lived in Butte City, Cal., where he has relatives.

A bomb, made of gas pipe and filled with powder, was exploded in the German theater, in Olatuez, Monrovia. Little damage was done, but the incident caused great excitement among the German residents.

The Turkish government, replying to the representations of Greece, has explained that the firing upon the Greek gunboat Actium by the Turks at Pervassa, on Saturday last, as the vessel was leaving the gulf of Ambracia, was due to a misunderstanding.

Jacob Sarigs, of Ooramiah, Persia, now in Cincinnati, giving talks on Persia and Armenia, has just received a letter from friends in his Persian home, informing him that a band of raiders from Koordestan had massacred all the inhabitants of a Persian Christian town, 800 souls, near Salmas, Persia.

Peter French, a prominent cattleman and landowner of Harney county, Oregon, was killed by a man named Oliver. It is reported that the deed was a cold-blooded murder. The victim was shot in the back of the head, the bullet coming out between the eyes. A land dispute is said to have been the cause of the trouble.

The Overman Wheel Company, of Chicopee Falls, Mass., has made an assignment for the benefit of its creditors. Henry B. Bowman, president of the Springfield National bank, has been appointed trustee. Albert H. Overman is president of the company, and the principal owner and has given out a statement showing that, on November 10, last, the assets were $1,318,000 and the liabilities $539,000.

Frank G. Farley was accidentally shot and instantly killed by Ed. Alvord, in Tekoa, Wash. Both men were O. R. & N. conductors. At the coroner's inquest, the evidence showed that Alvord was turning the cylinder of a revolver so the hammer would not rest on a cartridge. The weapon was discharged, and Farley fell and expired without uttering a word. The jury exonerated Alvord.

Stenographers employed by the defense in the Luetgert case have struck. Attorney Harmon will ask the state to furnish a copy of the testimony each day on the ground that Luetgert has no money to pay for a stenographer.

Frank Murphy, a San Francisco patrol-wagon driver, admitted that he fired the shot that struck Baldwin Gardiner, the stock broker, Christmas night. He fired two shots at Stroh, the burglar, one of which struck Gardiner, and may cause his death.

Katherine Kidder's father says she will retire from the stage.

Countess Castellane, formerly Anna Gould, has given birth to a son.

The British cruiser Leander and the torpedo-destroyer Virago have left San Diego for Esquimalt.

O. H. McBra, Southern express agent at Brunswick, Ga., embezzled $14,000. He stood high socially.

Rosa Medici, aged 9, was burned to death near Los Angeles. A spark from a grate ignited her dress.

Ed L. Parker tried to kill C. J. Sheets and wife, in Los Angeles, and then committed suicide. Parker was infatuated with Mrs. Sheets.

John Bergman, who lost his money on the Chicago board of trade, committed suicide in New York, leaving his body to a medical college.

Leutgert's attorneys, unable to secure a stenographer at state expense, are taking down the trial in long hand, which may continue it for months.

Sam Turner, a dying negro, was lynched at Kingstree, S. C. He killed Deputy Poston Christmas eve, and during the shooting received a mortal wound.

Gladstone celebrated his 88th birthday. He received many congratulations at Cannes. His health is improving, though he is suffering from neuralgia.

Henry Oliver Goldsmith, a Wall-street broker, is wanted for stealing a $3,000 check, belonging to Oscar Weisner, of Brooklyn. His victims are said to be many.

Many collieries in Silesia are provided with bombs filled with compressed oxygen for use in cases of accident or entrance into old galleries where the air is foul.

Lee Fat cut the throat of Lee Tong, in San Francisco's Chinatown. The murderer was caught in the act by an officer. Passengers on a street car witnessed the crime.

The 10-year-old daughter of Simon Barringer was accidentally killed at Glenbair, Cal., by her brother, two years older, in a playful struggle for possession of a gun.

By the will of Mrs. Henrietta R. Files Baker, $2,000,000 is bequeathed to the Pennsylvania hospital, contingent upon the death of the son and daughter of the testatrix without issue.

Mrs. Elizabeth Ellidge, aged 83 years, is dead in Breckinridge, Mo. She was the mother of 12 children and had 37 grandchildren, 40 great grandchildren and 50 great-great-grandchildren.

An imperial decree has been gazetted in Vienna, authorizing the government during the prorogation of parliament to levy taxes and provide for state expenditures from January 1 to June 30 next.

Miss Jennie Edwards, aged 19, and A. R. McMasters, members of wealthy families residing near Hopkins, Mo., were killed in a runaway. Miss Edwards' skull was crushed by striking a post.

Judge Woffard, of Kansas City, stopped a tilt between lawyers by remarking: "Hereafter when lawyers talk about fighting in this court, I shall adjourn court, and let them fight it out."

An engine and a caboose on the Chicago, Hammond & Western left the track while crossing a bridge over Salt creek, two miles north of Legrange, Ill., and plunged into eight feet of water. Six men were injured.

Farmer Lawrence Walters, of Cass county, Mich., buried $2,500 in greenbacks and $4,000 in government bonds, notes, mortgages, etc., beneath the floor of his barn some months ago. Robbers dug up the treasure and disappeared.

Professor Willard B. Rising, dean of the college of chemistry, university of California, has been appointed member of the American committee for the third international convention of applied chemistry, to be held in Vienna in July.

Gustav Thelan, president of the El Reno, O. T., Stock Exchange bank; Michael Eschoff, cashier; Charles A. Newman, assistant cashier, and Louis Eschoff, a member of the board of directors, were arrested for receiving deposits when the bank was known to be insolvent.

Nellie Johnson, a Kansas City negress, was chopped to death with a hatchet by her husband. Near by stood a horse and an express wagon, in which were ropes tied to a heavy stone. It had been the intention of the murderer to throw his victim into the river.

The San Francisco Miners' Association will prepare resolutions in favor of the creation of the cabinet office of secretary of mines and mining for adoption by the American institute of mining engineers and federations of miners throughout the East. Representatives Loud and Newlands favor the scheme.

Abe Balm and his two brothers, well-to-do farmers, lived near West Point. When their father died, a few days ago, it was claimed he had starved to death. The sons refused to pay the expenses of his burial. Last night a mob marched to the home of the brothers and called for Abe. The brothers opened fire. The mob returned the fire, and Abe was mortally wounded. The farmers will not countenance the arrest of the mob leaders.

French Royalists Protest.

Paris, Jan. 3. — Baron Charette, Baron Lambert, the Comte de Lupe and other prominent royalists have issued a manifesto protesting against the Duke of Orleans abdicating.

Reichsrath Session Closed.

Vienna, Jan. 3.—An autograph letter of Emperor Francis Joseph addressed to Baron von Gautsch von Frankenthurn, the Austrian premier, is gazetted, ordering the session of the reichsrath to be closed.

SIX WERE CREMATED

Awful Fate of a Jersey City Family.

SEVERAL MORE SEVERELY HURT

Father, Mother and Four Children the Ones That Perished in the Burning of Their Home.

New York, Jan. 4.—Six members of one family were killed by flames and smoke in a fire that occurred early this morning in Jersey City. The dead are:

Adolph Reich, 45 years old, the father; Emma Reich, 42, mother; Tillie Reich, 22 years; Ida Reich, 15 years; Albert Reich, 14; Gustave Reich, 8 years.

Several others were injured, and it may be that another member of the ill-fated family will die. He is the 19-year old son, and his body is covered with burns. John Canway, chief of the Jersey City fire department, was very badly burned. He fell through a burning floor, and was rescued with difficulty. Henry Reich, 18 years old, managed to make his way from the house with bad burns, but he is not seriously injured.

Adolph Reich's home was at 317 Germania avenue, near the Hudson county boulevard, in the Hudson City district. He was a real estate agent and well-to-do, living in a pleasant house of three stories.

It is thought the fire broke out from a heater in the basement and worked its way up to the third floor, where the sleeping apartments of the family were located.

Henry Reich said it was late when the family retired, the evening having been spent in entertaining New Year's callers. Early in the morning he was awakened by shouts. Running into the hall, he saw smoke and flames in the lower hall. His father was there, and they managed to get out of the house in their night clothes. Young Reich ran down the steps and gave the alarm. When he returned his father was nowhere to be seen, but one of his brothers, Sigmund, was there, badly burned. He was taken to a neighboring house, where he said he had jumped through the blinding smoke and darted down the stairs out into the open air.

Several engine companies responded promptly to the alarm, and in a few minutes the fire was out. Then began the search of the house. The rays of the lanterns disclosed the charred bodies against the wall at the foot of the stairs. They were those of Adolph Reich, his daughter, Tillie, and little Gustave. The father had fallen upon the daughter, and his son was in his arms. They were burned almost beyond recognition. In the basement of the house the searching party stumbled over the remains of Ida and Albert, two blackened corpses with arms intertwined. Portions of the limbs had been entirely burned away, and the faces were horribly distorted. The mother was found in the sitting-room. She was but slightly burned. Her face showed no look of pain. She undoubtedly died from suffocation. The bodies were sent to the morgue.

Theatrical Train Afire.

St. Louis, Jan. 4.—A theatrical company playing "In Old Kentucky" left Kansas City at midnight last night on a special train of three coaches, over the Wabash, en route to St. Louis. An hour after leaving, the front end of the baggage car was discovered to be on fire. The engineer crowded on all steam to make a siding at Fleming, 10 miles ahead. The wind fanned the flames until they could be heard above the roar of the flying train. When the siding was reached, the baggage car was a loss and left to burn. The company lost its scenery and three valuable horses. Nobody was injured, and the train of two cars arrived here this morning.

A FEARFUL EXPERIENCE.

Missing Boats of the Steamer Gerona Reach Seal Island.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 4.—The two boats containing Captain Baxter and 36 of the crew of the Thompson line steamer Gerona, which was lost off Seal Island, while on a voyage from Portland, Me., to London, reached the island safely. One man named Carl, who was supposed to be in the boat in charge of Second Officer Alfred Watson, which landed at Wood's harbor, is missing, and it is thought he was drowned. Most of the men, who were in Watson's boat, were cattlemen.

Watson and his men had a fearful experience, being afloat for nearly eight hours before they made the shore at Fortress point. It was pitch dark, when they pulled away from the helpless steamer, and it was not until after daylight that they were able to determine which direction to point their craft in order to make land. A fierce gale beat upon them all the morning, and the sea threatened to swamp them at every moment. The weather was bitterly cold, too, and they suffered terribly from exposure. When they finally pulled upon the rocky beach at noon, they were thoroughly exhausted, having been rowing constantly through a stormy sea since shortly after 4 A. M.

Reports from along the coast today indicate that the Gerona foundered not long after the crew took to the lifeboat. At Cape Sable a number of cattle and a badly shattered boat have been washed ashore. Immediately after the receipt there last night of the news of the wreck preparations were made to dispatch steamers in search of the missing boats and the abandoned ship.

A dispatch received late tonight from Yarmouth reports the arrival there of Captain Baxter, and crew.

RETURNED KLONDIKERS.

They Confirm the Stories of a Scarcity of Provisions.

Port Townsend, Wash., Jan. 4.—Forty-five Klondikers arrived tonight on the steamer Corona, from Skagway and Dyea. They brought no late news, as all of them left Dawson previous to November 25. In reference to the food situation, they confirm the stories of last week's arrivals that there will be no famine this winter, although provisions are scarce. It will be necessary, however, they think, to get supplies in early in the spring, as the stock on hand will be pretty well exhausted by the time the Yukon opens for navigation. Among those coming from Dawson were Dr. Van Sant, of Peoria, Ill.; Allen R. Joy, of Portland, Or., and A. E. Murphy and James E. Kelly, of Helena, Mont.

The trip out was a very hard one, on account of the extreme cold, the thermometer ranging 50 to 70 below. At Lake Tagish, several parties were caught in a snow storm. The ice along the river is piled up as high as 15 feet, and only the best dog teams can get over it. Many outfits which started down in boats were met along the river, frozen in, where they will have to remain until the ice goes out. A party of mounted police, with 16 horses and 20 tons of provisions, were met along the river, on the way down to the Big Salmon, where Major Walsh is waiting for them.

John Kill, of Seattle, one of the party arriving on the Corona, was robbed at Fort Selkirk, November 30, of $8,500 worth of gold dust, the proceeds of a cattle sale at Dawson last summer. J. B. Elmore, of Idaho, and G. W. F. Johnson, of Juneau, were arrested on the charge of having stolen the gold, but were discharged after examination by Judge McGuire.

The town council of Skagway has adopted a set of resolutions protesting against the abolishment of the subport of Dyea. The resolutions set forth that the duty collected since the establishment of the port amounts to $5,000, and that the revenue to be derived in the next 12 months will probably exceed $20,000.

People are pouring into Skagway and Dyea on every steamer. Hotels and lodging-houses are taxed to their full capacity. If the influx continues at the present rate, accomodations will be out of the question within two weeks, it is thought.

The trails across the mountains are not in good condition at present, owing to rains and warm weather on the coast and deep snows on the summit.

The estimates of the amount of gold brought down on the Corona differ widely. They range all the way from $100,000 to $500,000. Dr. Van Sant [illegible] $80,000.

AMERICAN FLAG BURNED.

The Act of Drunken British Flunkies on the St. Louis.

New York, Jan. 4.—The World says: Captain William G. Randle and Chief Officer Beckwith, of the American line steamship St. Louis, which arrived in port yesterday, spent much of their time during the trip across the Atlantic investigating a story which made every American on board indignant. The story relates to the burning of an American flag by British stewards, who were on the steamer during the passage. The investigation has been nearly completed, and it was announced on board the St. Louis that as a result several members of the crew will be discharged from the service of the American line today.

The burning of the flag occurred on Christmas day, at the dinner of the stewards. One of the stewards lighted a match and held it to the American flag.

"Burn it," some of the stewards are said to have shouted. Then followed a general tumult. The Stars and Stripes were burning from every corner.

"The matter is still under investigation," said Second Officer Campbell. "I am sorry that the matter should become public. It was simply the act of a lot of drunken flunkies. Action will be taken tomorrow."

WRITTEN IN BLOOD.

Desperate Attempt of an Embezzler to Commit Suicide.

Savannah, Ga., Jan. 4.—Mac Mabray, the embezzling agent of the Southern Express Company, at Brunswick, Ga., who was captured here Saturday, attempted to commit suicide in his cell in the police station during the night. This morning he was found lying in a pool of blood. He was unconscious, and was at first thought to be dead. He had opened an artery in his wrist with a penknife. He was taken to a hospital, where he is kept under guard. The physicians say he will recover in a day or two.

Before he became too weak to move, Mabray smeared his open hand with the blood and stamped the imprint of the hand on the wall of his cell. Underneath he wrote in blood with his finger, "Southern Express Company, December 19, 1897," the date he committed the robbery, and below he drew a skull and crossbones in blood.

Bread Riots in Sicily.

Rome, Jan. 4.—The Tribuna reports that bread riots have occurred in the province of Girgeteni, Sicily. The rioters fired upon and looted the municipal buildings. The troops have been called out.

Sash and Door Plant Burned.

Buffalo, Jan. 4.—The sash and door plant and planing mill of J. Hamilton & Co. was burned tonight, with an immense stock of lumber. The total loss is $120,000, the insurance $70,000.

Fruit went to waste in California orchards because the growers could not get men to pick it. Yet the state is overrun with tramps.

NO DANGER OF FAMINE

Portland Man Says There is Enough Food in Dawson.

STATEMENT OF C. J. CHRISTIE

He Left Dawson City November 23, After a Stay of Five Weeks—Some Work Going On.

Portland, Or., Jan. 3.—"There is no likelihood of starvation at Dawson City this winter. A few may be pinched a little before the river opens; but no one will actually suffer from hunger."

The foregoing statement of C. J. Christie, who left Dawson City November 23, and reached Portland yesterday, corroborates recent press dispatches. Mr. Christie, with a party of four other men and a woman, made the trip out from Dawson City in 23½ days, which he says is the record. He left Portland on the first trip of the Elder, and spent five weeks at Dawson.

"When I left Dawson," he said, "everybody was comfortably fixed for the winter, so far as provisions were concerned. When the boats of the transportation companies were stuck, down the Yukon, the companies furnished transportation down the river for all that wished to go. To those who had money they sold provisions; to those who had no money, they gave work, which would enable them to buy what supplies they needed. Of course, this made fewer mouths to feed. Then many became frightened by early reports of a probable famine, and, selling their provisions, came out over the ice. This, of course, added to the supplies at Dawson.

"I found, when I reached there, October 18, that there was really a great deal of a scare. Reports had been spread by men who came out early that there were more supplies than needed, and this led to the fear that none would be brought in. This very panic led many to leave the country, and still further provided against famine.

"Everything was going along smoothly when I came out. Bonanza, Eldorado and Hunker creeks are all being worked for all they are worth, and the rich claims are all and more than have been reported. I have prospected a great deal and seen many rich finds, but Dawson City is the richest mining camp I ever saw. Numerous new discoveries are made right along. When I left, the Holmes boys, of Albina, had struck a claim from which it is said they were taking out an ounce to the pan.

"We had no difficulty coming out, though the ice is 'up-ended' in the river, and it is the roughest place imaginable. The anchor ice which formed in the bottom of the stream has risen in great masses, and is piled in all kinds of fantastic shapes.

"There were six of us in the party—one woman and five strong, hardy men. We used dogs to transport our freight. I had cached provisions along the way, as I went in with the expectation of coming out immediately, and these were a great aid to us. Once or twice we had to buy a little food for the dogs. We went right up the Yukon and over Chilkoot summit to Dyea. The temperature fell sometimes as low as 65 degrees below zero, but I didn't suffer from the cold as much as I would with it 5 below here."

Christie purchased several claims while in Dawson for himself and his partners in Portland. He will return to Dawson as soon as he can make arrangements to do so.

ROBINSON'S RECOMMENDATION

Says Dawson Can Easily Be Reached by Taking Skaguay Trail.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Secretary Alger has received two reports from Captain Robinson, the contract quartermaster at Seattle, touching the respective merits of the differnet trails from the seaboard into the Klondike country. He made a thorough inquiry at the direction of the secretary, and in substance his conclusions, reached after conference with Jack Dalton and other experts, is that the Dalton trail is not well adapted to the uses of the government expedition during the winter, but that the Skagway route is probably the best. The captain says he has had an interview with one man who claims to have 70,000 pounds of beef stored at Lake Bennett which he is willing to sell at $1 a pound. The same man says he has 10,000 pounds of corn and 20 or 30 horses at the same place, with which he proposes to organize a sled train into Dawson. Captain Robinson says himself that his opinion is that the difficulty of reaching Dawson has been very much exaggerated, and that a good army officer could make his way with an expedition. Montana horses should be used.

Pilot Steamer Smith Seized.

Mobile, Ala., Jan. 3.—The Pensacola pilot steamer Smith, supposed to be engaged in a filibustering expedition, was seized today by agents of the treasury department. A crew from the revenue cutter Seward went aboard the steamer tonight, and a gang of men is transferring her coal from one bunker to another in search of contraband cargo.

Pensioners in the Postoffice.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The postoffice department has ruled that an ex-Union soldier drawing a pension under the dependent pension law may be reinstated in a position he formerly occupied in the service. The case arose in accordance with the employment of a veteran in the postoffice. In order to secure a pension under the dependent pension act, he must swear that he is without means of support and is unable to do manual labor.

ENGLAND TO THE FRONT.

Will Resist Russia's Pretensions in Asia—Japan Will Aid Her.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—A special from Minneapolis says: Advices from Ottowa indicate that the British government is preparing to actively resist Russian occupancy of Port Arthur and Russian influence in Corea, and also that the co-operation of the Japanese fleet with that of Great Britain is a well-settled fact.

Information has been received from a reliable source to the effect that the Ottawa government 30 days ago notified the Canadian Pacific officials to be in readiness for the immediate transportation from Montreal to Vancouver and Esquimalt 3,500 men, the contingent consisting of engineers, guides and deck officers. According to information at hand, the road has prepared for handling 5,000 men, five trains being held in readiness for this service. The officers included in the first contingent are intended to reinforce the Japanese fleet, which it is said is very short on engineering talent and deficient in gunnery. The dispatch adds that a secret agreement has been concluded between Great Britain and Japan by the terms of which the Russian pretensions in Corea are to be overcome, and Russian aggrandizement in Asia permanently checked.

Captain Ronald Rolf, R. N., on inspection service, just returned from the West and on his way to England via New York, says, in his opinion, the force above referred to is destined to increase the English forces at the Forts at Esquimalt and the Pacific squadron. He declines to discuss the probability of an imbroglio with Russia, but asserts that in case of actual hostilities the British Asiatic squadron is of sufficient strength to enforce any demands Great Britain may have to make. He denies that there is any probability of an Anglo-Japanese alliance, remarking that England's combining with a fourth-rate power like Japan would be a confession of weakness that does not exist. He asserts with positiveness that the contingent to be sent West is not for Japanese reinforcement, but rather to serve on the fleets in operation should a naval war be precipitated in the Orient.

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Havana Will Again Resume Shipping of Tobacco.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 3.—A special to the Constitution from Havana says: From a responsible source comes the information that the port of Havana will be opened to exportation within 24 hours. The port was closed by Captain-General Weyler's edict of May 14, 1896, for the purpose of cutting off the tobacco [illegible] particularly of Tampa and Key West, from the supply. General Weyler did this, he claimed, to insure permanent employment to the discontented cigarmakers in Havana during the troublesome times of '68, but it is understood that his special aim was to paralyze the Cuban colonies in the United States from which was coming the fostering strength that made the insurgents formidable. There are about 70,000 bales of tobacco now choked in the warehouses of Havana, ready to be shipped to the States the moment the port is opened. It is said the crop is promising, all of which indicates that brighter days are dawning for the paralyzed commerce of Cuba and the cigar factories of the United States.

Civilian Witnesses in Court-Martial.

Washington, Jan. 3.—The naval authorities have long regarded as unsatisfactory the provision of laws relating to the administration of justice in naval court-martial, which are not empowered to secure the attendance and testimony of civilian witnesses. It often happens that important facts are exclusively known by civilians, and their testimony is required before almost every important naval court-martial. It rarely happens that witnesses that can avoid so doing are willing to appear in such cases. Secretary Long says that from an examination of legislation on this subject, it does not appear by any means clear that congress intended to leave courts-martial in such a position. He has submitted to the naval committee a bill to remedy the defect without giving courts undue notice. The first question involves only an extension to the judge-advocate of naval courts-martial and courts of inquiry power now possessed by judge-advocates of army courts.

Favors Postal Savings Banks.

Denver, Jan. 3.—Governor Adams, who is president of the Pueblo Savings bank, received a letter today from Bradford, Rhodes & Co., banking publishers of New York, in regard to the efforts to be made by savings bank officials to prevent the establishment of postal savings banks. The governor immediately wrote a reply, in which he said: "While I can see some objections to a postal savings banks, the bulk of the argument seems to me to be in favor of their establishment. The interests of the people appear to demand that the government should give them a place of deposit that is beyond question secure. Believing this, I overlook my interest as an investor in a savings bank for the larger interest of those who would be interested in postal savings banks."

Gales on the British Coast.

London, Jan. 3.—Gales continue about the British coast and the anchorages are full of vessels which have sought shelter. The channel service between Dover and Calais and Folkestone and Boulogne was suspended this morning.

Alleged Canal Swindlers Acquitted.

Paris, Jan. 3.—All the prisoners who have been tried on charges of being concerned in the Panama intrigue have been acquitted.