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Silver Question in Germany. BERLIN.—In a speech closing the meetings of the Imperial Silver Commission Count von Posadowsky, the Imperial Secretary of the Treasury, said he believed the members were agreed that the fluctuations and depreciated value of silver had entailed great losses upon the German foreign and home trade; that Germany alone was powerless to raise the price of silver, and it was impracticable to do so either by the creation of a monopoly by international agreement or by the regulation of the production. He added that the members of the commission would render a public service by helping to spread the conviction that serious difficulty attended the solution of the silver question.

Situation at Bluefields. WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Navy Department has received a telegram from Captain Watson announcing the arrival of the San Francisco at Colon. She will take on coal, and will return to Bluefields, relieving the New York, which will start for home. Captain Watson says that Clarence, the Mosquito chief, who was deposed by the Nicaraguans, had been put back, and that it is necessary to protect American interests. The conditions are such that in Captain Watson's judgment a warship must remain at Bluefields. The British, he says, take the same view of the case, and will keep the Magicienne.

To Accept the Loan. NEW YORK.—The receivers of the Northern Pacific have unanimously resolved to accept the loan of \$1,000,000 offered by the reorganization committee of the bondholders for the prompt payment of the first mortgage coupons due July 1. The loan is to be made at simple interest without commission and directly to the receivers, who will act through the authority of the court and repay the same from the net earnings of the months following.

STANFORD ESTATE

The Claim of the Government Will Be Resisted.

BOSS BUCKLEY AND HIS LAMBS

Four-Fifths of the Business Section of the Metropolis of the Northwest is Flooded—Business Paralyzed.

PORTLAND, OR.—The flooded district in this city is constantly extending, and now covers four-fifths of the business portion and a large part of North Portland, in which a large number of residences are more or less flooded. Front street, the wholesale district, has seven feet of water on it. The entire wholesale district is under water, all the banks are flooded, and nearly all the retail stores and seven or eight hotels. Business is almost paralyzed. Elevated sidewalks have been built, and small boats, nearly 1,000 in number, are in constant use in the flooded streets. Express wagons are also being used for transportation of goods, being driven into the water up to the boxes. Many business houses and offices have been moved to higher locations, some having been compelled to move twice. Stocks of goods have been elevated three or four times on first floors. The Union Pacific has entirely suspended its Portland connections. The Northern Pacific sends passengers by boat to Kelso, fifty-one miles down the Columbia, where rail connection is secured. Southern Pacific trains start from East Portland, the Union Depot having been abandoned. There is a busy scene of moving goods and sight-seers in the flooded region. It is impossible at this time to estimate the damage. The loss of business will be immense. The loss to fishermen on the Columbia is heavy, owing to the fish wheels being swept away. Salmon-fishing has almost been destroyed, and the season's catch will be mostly lost.

STANFORD ESTATE

Claim of the Government Will Be Resisted to the Fullest Extent.

SAN JOSE, CAL.—Mrs. Jane Lathrop Stanford, widow of the late Senator Leland Stanford and executrix of his estate, was seen the other evening and asked for her views of the \$15,000,000 claim presented by the Attorney-General of the United States against the property now under her charge. She said: "I think this is only a test case. Of course, others will be drawn into it. The burden of the litigation even cannot all be placed on one estate or one person." Mrs. Stanford was then asked if she intended to resist the claim as presented by the Attorney-General. She said: "Of course, I shall resist it to the fullest extent of my ability; but really there is nothing to say in regard to the future course I shall pursue. Legal technicalities will be referred entirely to my attorneys." It is believed among lawyers that the suit of the government against the estate will have a serious effect upon the university. Even before this latest litigation cropped up Mrs. Stanford had had some difficulty in raising all the ready money necessary for the institution. It is believed also that several counties that years ago bought Central Pacific bonds will be held by the government responsible for a share of the debt now sought to be collected.

SMUGGLED OPIUM.

Druggist Clerk Solinsky Dismissed at San Quentin.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.—Druggist Clerk Solinsky has been discharged from his position at San Quentin by Warden Hale. The charge against him was smuggling opium to the prisoners who could pay for the forbidden luxury. Solinsky on account of his position had facilities for carrying on his underground dispensary and making lots of money out of it. Just how long he has been carrying on the illicit trade no one knows. Suspicion was first aroused against him by the large number of packages he received at the prison through Wells, Fargo & Co. It did not take long to ascertain that Solinsky was extremely anxious to keep the contents of these packages a secret from everybody. A watch was set in Wells, Fargo & Co.'s office in this city, and the discovery was made that the packages were sent from Chinatown. The next step was the certain proof that the packages contained opium. Solinsky through his position had the run of the cells to find out if the convicts were sick. He was caught prescribing opium at a good round sum, and his dismissal followed.

No Bidders for the Oregon Pacific.

CORVALLIS, OR.—The Oregon Pacific was again offered for sale by the Sheriff, but no bid was made. There will be an adjourned term of court July 20, when a new order of sale will be made, fixing the date for sale probably about November 1.

NORTHWEST NOTES.

Washington.

Spokane is contributing liberally to the Concomully sufferers. Walla Walla's financial statement for May shows a net debt of \$74,417. Whatcom county expects to have thirty-four miles of plank road by the end of the year. Everett's offer for the county-seat of Snohomish county will be twenty-two-five-foot lots and \$30,000 cash.

The survey for the Blaine and Eastern is completed, and belief is professed that trains will be running by October.

A movement has been started in Port Townsend having for its object the reorganization of the city government under the general law.

The Whatcom Board of Trade has a committee at work trying to secure the removal of one of the Oregon City flouring mills to that place.

Petitions are being signed at Hoquiam protesting against the sale of water bonds now being advertised and pledging money to fight the sale in the courts.

Twenty-one out of Whatcom county's seventy-one school districts have an aggregate bonded indebtedness of \$159,300. Of this \$88,000 is Whatcom's and \$40,000 Blaine's.

Walla Walla county has paid out \$12,000 annually for some years for the eradication of squirrel and gopher pests, and now it is rather discouraging, but apparently true, that these animals are more numerous than ever.

In different localities in Eastern Washington threshing is again in operation. It is found that by exercising a little care in trimming off all the damaged grain from the tops and sides of the stacks a pretty fair grade of wheat is obtained where the stacks have been well built. The grain is still a little soft but, scattering the sacks about on boards or rails for a few days the sun will harden it. Oakesdale millmen, who have been buying some of this grain, recommend this treatment, and say a few days' hot sun will make it worth at least 5 cents more per bushel.

Joe Scott, President of the Montana Cattlemen's Association; Frank Robinson, Henry Tuttle of Miles City and J. T. Boardman of Deer Lodge have just completed a cattle-purchasing tour of Eastern Washington. They bought 15,000 head, the prices averaging \$10 for yearlings, \$15 for two-year-olds and \$20 for three-year-olds. It is estimated by cattlemen that 40,000 head will be taken out of Washington and Oregon into Montana this year. The Montana cattlemen are prosperous again, and these purchases will materially relieve the financial stringency in Eastern Washington.

Oregon.

The hop louse has made its appearance at Fairview, Polk county.

Medford has abandoned the idea of cannons and oratory for July 4.

A summer conference in the interests of Indian education is called for July 23 to 28 at Salem.

Union county's debt is decreasing every year. The present levy—19.7 mills—is the lowest in ten years.

The Pendleton scouring mills have started up, and already have 350,000 pounds of wool to operate on.

The Pendleton scouring mill uses 1,500 pounds of soap a day. It makes its own soap, consuming for that purpose some 250 pounds of tallow. This makes a good home market for tallow. As it is, the tallow has to be imported from Portland by the railroad.

Major Post has taken charge of the fight to save the Cascade locks, the government standing the expense. Six trains are running, hauling brush, gravel, rock and anything that can be utilized to raise the bulkhead. Some of the cut stones are being dumped into the works, and seventy barrels of cement were used in one day in solidifying the sand and gravel.

A sixteen-month-old child of Mrs. Shepp of Ashland tumbled out of a car window while coming down the Siskiyou the other day. The train was moving about fifteen miles an hour. It was stopped, and the distracted mother and train crew rushed back to the rescue and found the child sitting on the sand pile where it had fallen, screaming mad, but not injured in the least.

The storm of last week did considerable damage to the crops on a narrow strip of country between the desert and the gap in the foothills on the Brownsboro road, Jackson county. The precipitation descended in the form of hailstones, and several hundred acres of wheat were completely ruined. The strip looks like a sunburnt stubble field, presenting a strange sight, flanked as it is by fields of beautiful green wheat.

It seems that Harry Dunn, bulletined somewhat noisily as the first inmate of the Soldiers' Home, was refused admittance by the examining board. The Salem Journal is taking up the matter and making quite a diverting effort to force an issue on it. Dunn's "right" name, it seems, is Sergeant Henry Campbell of the Twenty-ninth Massachusetts Infantry and a war record of half a column of minion. The objection to him is he is able to earn his living.

FAILURE OF CROP.

Western Kansas is Suffering From Another Drouth.

SITUATION AT BLUEFIELDS.

The Trial of the Cowardly Assassin of Mayor Carter Harrison of Chicago Once More Postponed.

CHICAGO, ILL.—Prendergast, the assassin of Carter Harrison, will not be tried as to his sanity during June. By agreement of counsel the case goes over until next fall. The term of court opens on September 3. "It has been agreed that the case shall go over," said State's Attorney Kern. "The continuance was agreed to at the request of the defense after a consultation. There has been no agreement as to what Judge the case will come before at the fall term, and I have no idea now who will preside. Under the common assignment Judge Chetlain will again be presiding in the Criminal Court at that time. There will also, of course, be other Judges presiding. But, as I said before, I don't know now who will try the case." Judge Chetlain said: "I know absolutely nothing about the continuance spoken of. None of the attorneys have spoken to me about the Prendergast case since the last time it was in court. As to my taking the matter up and entering the order of continuance, I will say the matter will not come up before me, for the reason that I shall not then be sitting in the Criminal Court."

CROP FAILURE.

The People Sorry They Did Not Leave the Buffaloes in Possession.

TOPEKA, KAN.—Reports from the western part of Kansas are very discouraging, and show that wheat in that section will be a total failure. There was very little wheat raised west of the center of the State, and unless conditions improve immediately there will be no corn raised. In many counties there has not been any rain for more than a year, with the exception of light showers. The people of that section are not well prepared to withstand another crop failure. Hundreds of farmers are without means to buy provisions to tide them over another year, and the prospect of another failure will force many to leave the country. State Senator Wilcockson of Logan county said that the people of that region would have to leave and abandon the prairies for stock ranches if the crops failed again this year. The people have held on in the hope that climatic conditions would change, but they will be forced to leave before another cold winter comes.

LARGE AMOUNTS INVOLVED.

Ex-Governor Evans' Petition Against Union Pacific Directors.

DENVER, COL.—Ex-Governor John Evans through his attorneys has filed a new petition in the Federal Court in the suit against Oliver Ames and other directors of the Union Pacific. The new bill alleges that September 4, 1893, the Union Pacific pledged with Drexel, Morgan & Co. \$100,000,000 in bonds to secure their note to the amount of \$24,000,000, issued to take up floating indebtedness. Among other securities pledged were \$3,000,000 in bonds and \$13,000,000 in stock of the Gulf road. In the new petition John Evans asked leave to bring a suit against Drexel, Morgan & Co. and the receiver of the Gulf Company in the courts of New York or any other place, restraining Drexel, Morgan & Co. from disposing of the Gulf bonds and shares of stock until the other bonds and stock pledged in that trust shall be sold.

Army Officers Retired.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Eight army officers have just been retired on account of disability incurred in the service. They are Lieutenant-Colonel S. M. Horton, Deputy Surgeon-General; Captains M. E. Taylor and W. G. Spencer, surgeons; Past Chaplain S. C. Merrill; Captain William Conway, Twenty-second Infantry; John Anderson, Eighteenth Infantry; First Lieutenant H. C. White, Eighth Cavalry, and Second Lieutenant Mortuary, Eighth Infantry. As a result of these retirements only seven of this year's graduates from the Military Academy are unprovided for this year with full appointments to regiments, and there will probably be other vacancies before the end of the year.

Fortune in a Trunk.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y.—Securities to the value of \$1,000,000 were found in a small trunk near the room in which William W. Cornell died in this city recently. The securities were placed in a bank, and the deposition of the estate came up before Surrogate Dorland. Mr. Cornell lived in a modest home in Garfield place. He was 83 years old when he died. Nobody suspected he had money. He was the son of Latham Cornell of Troy, from whom he inherited an iron business. He retired thirty years ago with about \$40,000. In the last years of his life he allowed himself no pleasure but inspecting the contents of his trunk. He left no will, and his estate will be divided among his heirs-at-law.

The Lapwai Reservation.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The House Committee on Indian Affairs has authorized a favorable report on the bill introduced by Representative Sweet of Idaho to ratify the agreement for opening for settlement the Lapwai reservation occupied by Indians in Idaho.

WASHINGTON CITY NEWS.

The President has signed the New York and New Jersey bridge bill. It has been decided by the House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce to report to the House a bill for equipment of the Nicaragua canal by the government for carrying on the work to completion. Senator Morgan's measure will be adopted with some changes advised in committee.

The House has concurred in the Senate bill authorizing the construction of a bridge across the Monongahela river, passed the bill extending the time of payment for purchases of the lands of the Omaha Indians and adopted a resolution authorizing the payment of \$10,000 from the contingent fund to defray the cost of the armor-plate investigation.

George Oetzer, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the State Debris Association of California, has complained to the Interior Department of the extensive damage to lands and streams caused by hydraulic mining. He asserts that the debris of that process has reduced the navigability of the Sacramento and Feather rivers at least one-half during the low-water season. The communication has been referred to the War Department.

A young crank called at the White House the other day, and announced that his purpose was to convert the President to the ways of righteousness. This was the third time he had been at the White House. The watchman called for the police patrol, and had him transferred to the third precinct station, where he is held for examination. His name is Heffenstein. He is a converted Jew, and has been delivering extemporaneous sermons on street corners.

The lighthouse at the mouth of the Columbia river has proven of such advantage to the shipping interests of Oregon that Senator Mitchell has been induced to ask Congress to appropriate \$60,000 for the construction of still another lighthouse with fog-signal equipment to be stationed in midchannel inside the bar of the Columbia river opposite Cape Disappointment. The Senator is quite confident he will secure some sort of an appropriation for the commencement of such construction at least.

There seems to be no end to the measures introduced in the present Congress for the protection of the salmon fisheries of Alaska, but none of them gets farther than the committee to which it is referred. The latest bill was proposed by Senator Mitchell of Wisconsin. It differs from the others principally in that it makes provisions for the re-enactment of the old law of 1880, with amendments setting aside certain streams as spawning grounds, giving the Secretary of the Treasury discretion to limit the duration of the fishing season and directing the appointment of an inspector at \$250 a month and an assistant inspector at \$150 a month. Evidently some men up in Wisconsin have their eyes on two fat jobs.

The arid-land question, about which the Western members had much to say when the agricultural bill was before the Senate, has been considered by the House Committee on Irrigation of Arid Lands. A committee consisting of Sweet, Hardman, Doolittle, Pence and Newland was instructed to draw up a general bill on the lines of the one for the survey of Idaho lands introduced by Sweet. It will provide for a survey under the direction of the Secretary of War of arid lands in the Western States, with the preparation of maps showing the ditches or canals and reservoirs needed for the reclamation of land, and reports upon the water available for irrigation, with estimates of the quantity of land possible of reclamation and of cost. The States of Montana, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, the Dakotas and perhaps others will be in the bill, with a recommendation for an appropriation of \$25,000 for each State.

It is given out that the German Minister has notified our government that if the one-tenth of a cent per pound discriminating duty, which has been placed by the Senate on sugar, is permitted to become a law Germany will place a retaliatory duty on pork, lard and other products now imported from the United States under reciprocity arrangement. In view of this notification Secretary Carlisle has addressed a communication to the Senate Finance Committee urging the elimination of this provision of the Senate bill which operates against any government allowing a bounty on refined sugar. Inasmuch as Germany is the only competitor of the American Sugar Trust, this discriminating duty is levied practically against that country. Should the Senate comply with Secretary Carlisle's recommendation and strike out the one-tenth of a cent provision, the Sugar Trust will receive a very black eye.

McGuire of California appeared before the House Committee on Pacific Railroads the other day, making a strong protest against any funding bill or other arrangement which would release the estates of Huntington, Stanford and others from personal liability to the government for the debts of the Central Pacific. At his request it was arranged that himself, ex-Representative Sumner of California and the members of the State delegation in Congress should address the committee. McGuire took the position that the failure of the Central Pacific to pay the debt to the government was due to the diversion of its earnings to the pockets of the syndicate, which under the law should have a fund created for the payment of its debts. He recommended that the government should proceed by foreclosure or by taking charge under the condition of the franchise and apply to the court to secure the remainder of the debt from the Huntington, Stanford and others. He recommended that the government should explain its plan for government ownership of the road and right of way with trains operated by private parties under government control.

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