

CASTRO DEFIANT

Rejects all of Germany's Proposals

SEVRES DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GREAT BRITAIN

Italy Desirous of Joining the Other two Bullies—England Wants Deposit Made Before Arbitration

Berlin, Dec. 12.—It is officially announced by President Castro in reply to the German ultimatum that it will be rejected on every point proposed.

Rome, Dec. 13.—The Italians have a claim against Venezuela and are using the utmost endeavors to induce their Government to join the allied forces to compel payment.

Berlin, Dec. 13.—The Foreign office has received no news from Venezuela since yesterday. The landing of forces is not considered probable under any circumstances, and Naval Commander has been authorized to blockade the coast only.

Any proposition United States minister Bowen might make on behalf of Castro will be received in good spirit, out of regard for its channel of transmission, but no proposition of arbitration has yet been received.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Alvin Smith, United States Consul at Port of Spain, Trinidad, cables the state department that the Venezuelan legation there has been closed.

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London, Dec. 13.—The St James Gazette learns that England would accept arbitration of the Venezuela dispute on the following terms:

- First—Castro to deposit \$20,000 as an evidence of good faith.
- Second—the arbitrator to control the Venezuelan customs during the negotiations.
- Germany's attitude, the paper says, is unknown.

FILED WAGE SCALE

One Company Makes a Showing Average Annual Earning Pretty Low.

Scranton, Dec. 13.—Barrow, counsel for the miners before strike commission introduced a number of miners as witnesses against Philadelphia & Reading coalitions.

A coal company belonging to the Ontario & Western Ry. filed a wage scale this morning. Last year the company operated nine collieries. The average annual earnings of miners was \$520, of laborers, \$312, engineer—\$1200, breaker boys \$150.

PORTLAND GAMBLERS INDICTED

Portland, Dec. 13.—The district attorney has indicted a number of prominent citizens for gambling, among them being Fred Merrill, councilman. The crusade is getting warm and many gamblers are leaving the city.

JAPANESE MINISTER APPOINTED

Washington, Dec. 13.—Announcement was made at the State department this afternoon of the appointment of Lloyd Griceon, Jr., now minister to Persia, as minister to Japan. Consul General Pearson, at Teheran, Persia, formerly congressman from North Carolina becomes minister to Persia.

San Francisco, Dec. 13.—The Cooks and Waiters strike closed today. The strike has been on for a year and a half. The men practically won every point. Mayor Schmitz was arbitrator.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—In an interview today Pres. Jas. J. Hill, of the Great Northern unequivocally announced his intention to retire from active business. He is quoted as saying this will be done as quickly as conditions permit.

He says: "I am not worn out, but must step aside for younger men. My sons must take up the burden."

SEATTLE WILL GET BUSINESS

Portland, Dec. 13.—A letter received by the Chamber of Commerce from Secretary Moody, of Washington, says that Quartermaster Ladington, in an interview said the Seattle transport bid was likely to be accepted.

Anti Gamble Ordinance

PASSES CITY COUNCIL WITHOUT DESSSENTING VOTE

Last Meeting of old Board Takes Decisive Steps.—Other Matters Handled

The town board met Monday evening, it being the last meeting of the old board, and all being present except Councilman Noble.

The poll books and tally sheets of the recent city election were examined and the results arrived at by the judges and clerks was verified and confirmed.

A petition was presented to the council asking that in the repairs to Broadway the bridge over Mill slough be raised three feet, to permit the more easy passage of water Craft under it. The plans of the council contemplated raising the bridge one foot.

The Marshfield Water Co. called the attention of the council to the condition of 4th street (Clement plat) where the settling of a fill caused the breaking of a water main and the washing out of the fill.

Dr. Minges, health officer of the City was present and reported the health conditions of the city. He reported some mild cases of scarlet fever, and that all precautions had been and were being taken. There is a disposition on the part of some persons to avoid the provisions of the ordinance providing for the display of a flag where contagious disease exists, and the health officer is using considerable effort to ferret out such cases.

The most important matter coming before the council was the anti-gambling ordinance. On the passage of this ordinance the vote stood: Ayes—Bradbury, Curtis, Matson, Nelson, Nees, none.

We give section 1 in full, with a synopsis of the provisions of the remaining sections, as follows:

Sec. 1.—It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to deal, play, carry on, open or cause to be opened or conducted, either as owner or employee, whether for hire or not, or play or bet or against any game of faro, monte, roulette, rouge-et-noir, lasquinot, roulette, vingt-un (or twenty-one), poker, draw poker, brag, bluff, thaw, or any banking or any other game played with cards, dice, other device, whether the same be played for money, checks, credit or any

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Heart Beats Per Minute. Weak Heart Complicated With Kidney Trouble.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Cured Me Permanently.

"Your medicine is worth its weight in gold, and I cannot recommend it too highly for the good it has done me. I was troubled with heart disease complicated with a weak back and kidney complaint for a number of years. Although five of our best doctors waited on me I grew worse instead of better, until at last nothing seemed to do me any good. I had a rapid pulse varying from 100 to 150 beats per minute, a choking and burning sensation in the wind-pipe, and pain in the heart. At the time I began taking Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure I weighed but 130 pounds. After using the remedies six months I weighed 189 pounds and felt well, and strong and hearty. My nerve, heart and kidney troubles are all gone now and as this cure was performed nearly seven years ago I know that it is permanent."—Edward Knapp, Wilkerville, Ohio.

"For many years I have been a great sufferer from heart disease. I was subject to faint and sinking spells, with a clutching, oppressive or full feeling at the heart, that is difficult to describe. I was unable to attend to my household duties and was thoroughly wretched and miserable. I doctored with some of our best physicians but got no relief until I tried Dr. Miles' Heart Cure and Nerve. I experienced benefit from the first few doses and finally was completely cured."—Mrs. J. M. Holloway, Geneva, Ind.

other representative of value, within the corporate limits of the city of Marshfield.

Section 2 provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to act as lookout, doorkeeper or gamekeeper for any of the above games.

Section 3 makes it unlawful for any person to visit any room or rooms where any of these games are carried on.

Section 4 makes it unlawful for any person to keep on exhibit any gambling table, device or apparatus or to carry on any gambling establishment or room.

Section 5 makes it unlawful for any person to suffer any of these things to be done on any premises of which he is the owner or of which he is entitled to possession.

Section 6 makes it the duty of the police of the city to seize any articles used or pertaining to the games mentioned.

Section 7 provides a penalty for violation of the ordinance of a fine of not more than \$100 or imprisonment not to exceed 90 days or both.

Mayor Coke, members of the council, seen by the Mail reporter, and Marshal Carter say that the ordinance will be enforced without fear or favor.

The Champion Woman Golfer. Miss Genevieve Hecker, the eighteen-year-old New York girl who has twice won the national women's golf cham-



ampionship, is a most interesting young woman. She is a slender, blue eyed little girl, 5 feet 3 inches or 5 feet 4 inches tall, with a great mop of beautiful golden hair, which she wears in an enormous pompadour. Miss Hecker is the author of a book on "Golf For Women."



"See how good your little sister is, nee-pty boy?" "But, ma, she's so lately from heaven!"—New York Herald.

LOST HIS NERVE.

Why It Was That Big Pete Failed to Hit the Sheriff.

There were thirty men in the White Wolf saloon when the sheriff of Silver county sauntered in to arrest big Pete Thompson for murder. Pete was playing a hand in a game of poker, and after nodding to him the sheriff stood up at the bar and called for a drink. His back was scarcely turned when Pete laid down his cards, pulled his gun and fired six shots as fast as his finger could pull the trigger. The sheriff never moved. When the smoke had rolled out of the open door and we could see, the sheriff stood in the same position and wore the same smile. One bullet had burned his cheek; a second had grazed his ear; a third had cut through his shirt collar under the left ear. Big Pete was a dead shot, and yet he had missed his man at fifteen feet.

"Got through, Pete?" asked the sheriff, breaking a silence that was positively painful. "And you—you are not bleeding?" gasped Pete as his arm sunk slowly down. "No; come on." "You didn't bring your guns?" "No; if you are through shooting, we'll go." Pete laid his two guns down on the table before him and walked to the

door. "What ailed Pete?" was asked of the bartender, who had come to the door of the saloon. "Lost his nerve," he brusquely replied.

"How do you mean?" "Why, the sheriff coming without a gun and standing there to be shot at took all his sand away and made a woman of him."

"Suppose the sheriff had had a gun?" The man jerked his head toward the field where fifteen or twenty victims had been buried and said: "He'd 'a' bin over there."

"And will big Pete get clear?" "Likely; but he'll have to leave here. The boys have already put him down as N. G."

WAVES OF WATER.

The Nile is the only river in the world that flows for 1,500 miles without a tributary.

Off the Cape of Good Hope waves thirty-eight feet high from trough to crest have been noted.

Prismatic lake, in the Yellowstone National park, is the largest body of hot water in the world.

Three rivers as big as the Rhine would just equal in volume the Ganges, three Gangeses the Mississippi and two Mississippi the Amazon.

The St. Lawrence river is frozen four months of the year, and its navigation is so difficult that an average of one steamer a month is wrecked in its waters.

Askel Chin, in Tibet, is the lake which lies at a greater height than any other in the world. Its level is 16,000 feet. The lowest is the Dead sea, 1,200 feet below the sea level.

Not All Reformed.

At a dinner given by a philanthropist to the Society of Reformed Criminals a gentleman complained to his host midway through the festivities that he had lost his watch. The host was a man of great ingenuity. He caused all the lights to be turned out. Then he observed: "Some one here has a watch that does not belong to him. If by the time I have counted a hundred it is not placed on the floor in the middle of the room, the police will be sent for." He counted a hundred, and the lights were turned on again. Thirty-three handsome watches lay in the middle of the room.

It Was Bad.

The other day a young London street arab, having found a bad sixpence, was trying to make use of it at different places, but to no purpose. At last he went into a tobacconist's and asked for a threepenny cigar.

Having got the cigar and also the change, he was leaving the shop when the man called out:

"Come back here; it's a bad one." "Never mind, sir," replied the youngster. "I'll smoke it if it makes me ill." And he bolted out of the door.—Pearson's Weekly.

Found It Enjoyable.

Miss Acum—Did you really attend her wedding? Miss Wryvell—Oh, yes, indeed, and I enjoyed myself immensely. Miss Acum—Did you really? Miss Wryvell—Her gown didn't fit her well at all, and I heard several people say she looked a perfect fright.—Philadelphia Press.

How She Talked.

Diggs—Smith's wife is deaf and dumb. Biggs—Does she talk with her fingers? Diggs—I guess so. Smith hasn't a dozen hairs left in his head.—Chicago News.

Lumping It.

"My coffee is not quite sweet enough," remarked the new boarder. "Well, if you don't like it you can lump it," retorted the cheerful idiot, pushing the loaf sugar his way.—New York Times.

Too Rough.

"I wish you had broken the news more gently," sighed the editor as the office boy plied the first page by dropping the form down a flight of stairs.—Baltimore American.

Don't Talk Terms.



"Falling on the bawl."—Chicago News.

MENTAL TENSION.

Hard to Realize the Difficulty of Keeping a Natural Pose.

We never know how active our imaginations can be till we let them out or till they get the better of us for some reason. A major in the army recently admitted that when he went into action for the first time he was so scared that he did not know which way was north, but he had an overwhelming desire to reach it, wherever it was. Yet, after six or eight battles and after being wounded a couple of times, he regarded battles very much as people hereabout regard the evening fight at the Manhattan end of the bridge, says the Brooklyn Eagle. "Cases of wanting to run when bullets fly are by no means difficult to find. But a young soldier in Brooklyn confesses to a more queer experience. His regiment was in camp and had been ordered out for dress parade, as usual. When lined up for inspection, every man as stiff as a ramrod and not a white glove moving, this young man, a lieutenant, began to ask himself: "Suppose I should slip, or anything, to break the quiet? Suppose I should fall?" The idea of falling kept growing in his mind till before the inspection was over and the regiment was allowed to use its feet once more he could hardly keep on his legs and was in a great sweat of agony from the dread of tumbling over and making an exhibition of himself.

"People who have never tried it do not realize how hard it is to stand absolutely still and yet appear interested and at ease. Artists' models succeed at it, especially those in Italy, and will hold a pose not too difficult for an hour. Actors, when they group about the man in the center of the stage, who is enjoying all the limelight—and how they hate them for it—are required to keep still, so as not to distract attention from the great man's sayings and motions, and because they must group in such a way as to form a picture and keep it till it can be realized by the eyes in front. But this enforced staidness is hard on the supes. They are not used to it. When they are put under the strain, and when as Roman warriors they must stand at the back without winking while Brutus or Virginius or some other ponderous person unbooms himself respecting love or politics, they are in a small torture. One such last season who could no longer

for a while to listen to the soliloquy by the head man pitched over on his face and had to be lugged out by the arms to the spooling of the scene.

Babies Never Get Seaside.

"Babies never get seaside. I have carried thousands of them in my time," said an American line steward, according to the Philadelphia Record, "and in rough weather I have seen their fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters keel over like soldiers before a cannon ball; but not so with the babies. Whether it be rough or smooth at sea, a baby is always an excellent sailor—rosy, jolly and with the appetite of a horse. Do you know the explanation of this singular fact? It is as simple as the fact is strange. Babies don't get seasick because they are accustomed to the rocking of the cradle. That movement is much like the rocking of a ship. A baby aboard ship, therefore, is merely a baby in an unusually big cradle, and there is nothing odd to him about the rocking, for it is what he has been accustomed to all his life."

Capacity of Boxes.

A box 4 inches square and 4 1-5 inches deep will contain one quart; 8 inches long by 4 inches wide and 4 inches deep, one-half gallon; 8 inches long by 8 2-5 inches wide and 4 inches deep, one gallon; 8 inches square and 8 2-5 inches deep, one peck; 16 inches long by 8 2-5 inches wide and 8 inches deep, one-half bushel; 16 inches square and 8 2-5 inches deep, one bushel; 14 inches wide, 23 1-5 inches long and 10 inches deep, one and a half bushels; 24 inches long by 16 inches wide and 14 inches deep, two and a half bushels; 24 inches long by 16 inches wide and 24 inches deep, five bushels.

Rainwater Good if You Like It.

"When a man gets used to drinking rainwater," said a New Orleans man to the Washington Post, "there is no other water in the world that tastes so good. Most of the people in New Orleans have cisterns in their yards which hold an abundant supply of water caught from the clouds, the purest and best in the world, according to my notion. The winter rainfall alone is used, the summer catch not being desirable. It is somewhat curious that in northern latitudes the cistern water does not keep wholesome and sweet as it does in our country."

Had No Time.

The Boy's Father—Madam, let me ask if your daughter knows how to run a house—can cook, for example, and nurse the sick, mend clothes and, in fact, is familiar with all the multifarious details of domesticity?

The Girl's Mother—Certainly not, sir! Why, if she had learned all those things, her education would have been neglected.—Judge.