

CRUISERS SEIZED FOR DEBT

Two Building Concerns in Difficulty

Uncle Sam May Have to Step in

Washington June 19.—Secretary Moody was officially informed this morning that the cruiser Chattenoga, nearly completed by the United States Shipbuilding Company has been taken possession of by the sheriff of Elizabethport, New Jersey, awaiting the decision of the state court as to whether the ship is an asset of the shipbuilding trust.

This information, coming with the trouble about the cruiser Galveston, which the Virginia court has ordered seized at the Trigg shipyards, Richmond, is causing concern at the Navy Department.

Today's cabinet meeting was devoted to the discussion of the Galveston case. Atty. Gen'l. Knox presented an opinion in which he stated that he believes that the Secretary of the Treasury will be able to enter into a stipulation which will result in the discharge of the cruiser from the custody of the Virginia courts and the continuance of the work, and the prompt payment of all contractor's and laborer's claims.

The Attorney General closes with the proposition to seize the ships by federal force saying, "I am loath to believe the occasion for such exertion of federal power will arise, being confident that any claim that would interfere with national rights under the judicial authority of the state of Virginia will be promptly disposed of or denied by the chancery court. For this reason I shall defer answering questions."

It is emphatically denied that the Navy Department has any intention of sending a gunboat up the James river to seize the Galveston and prevent the work being stopped.

Doctor Pronounced My Case Incurable, Said I Would Die Of Heart Disease.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Brought Good Health.

"I have every reason to recommend the Dr. Miles Remedies as the Heart Cure saved my life. I am a large man, considerably over six feet in height, weigh nearly three hundred pounds. Some years ago my heart was so seriously affected that I never expected to get well. Doctors pronounced my case incurable. I noticed your advertisement in some paper, and bought six bottles of the Heart Cure. I felt great relief and improved so I continued until I had taken twelve bottles. My trouble was organic and I never expected to be permanently cured, but thanks to Dr. Miles' Heart Cure, I have kept in good health and have been able to follow my profession continually since first taking the remedies eight years ago. I am a musician, teacher of instrumental and vocal music, musical conductor, etc. I have taught all over the state of Michigan and have recommended Dr. Miles' Heart Cure to thousands of persons in all parts of the state and have heard nothing but good reports of it. I have induced dozens of persons in my own county to take Dr. Miles' Heart Cure as my word is never doubted by those who know me."—C. H. Smith, Flint, Mich.

"I am a druggist and have sold and recommended Dr. Miles' Heart Cure, for I know what it has done for me, and I wish I could state more clearly the splendid good health I am enjoying now. Your Restorative Nervine gives excellent satisfaction."—Dr. T. H. Watts, Druggist, Hot Springs, S. D.

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CRUISE TO THE AZORES Battleships Practice Maneuver

New York, June 19.—To attain proficiency in ocean cruising the battleships Kearsarge, Illinois, Alabama and Massachusetts, accompanied by the colliers Lebanon, Sterling and Caesar, will leave the Tompkinsville anchorage within a few days for the Azores. The islands are not in any sense to be the object of mimic attack, the main purpose being to find out the highest speed at which all the ships, which are of varying speeds, can be kept together, and the colliers kept close enough at hand to provide fresh supplies when needed. It is estimated that enough coal will be carried to enable the ships to make the Azores without having to coal on the way. They will reconal there and the tactical drill will be repeated on the way back. Then the ships will get ready for the summer manoeuvres on the Maine coast. The trip to the Azores will be made under the command of Rear Admiral Barker, commander-in-chief of the North Atlantic fleet.

VISIT VALLEY FORGE

Patriotic Societies Celebrate Anniversary of Evacuation

Philadelphia, Pa., June 19.—Representatives of patriotic societies of a dozen states gathered at Valley Forge today and celebrated the 125th anniversary of the evacuation of the famous Revolutionary camp ground by Washington and his troops. The program consisted of a parade in the forenoon and commemoration exercises in the afternoon, the chief oration being delivered by Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts. The historic structure that served as Washington's headquarters was the rendezvous of the day and here gathered the many visitors to listen to the tales of suffering and privation endured by the brave Continental troops on the hallowed ground on the banks of the Schuylkill. The headquarters appears today almost precisely as it did when the Father of his Country was domiciled within it. From cellar to attic it is in a state of good preservation. The doors, with bolts and locks, are the very same his hands moved. The floors are those over which the great chieftain walked in many a weary hour. The window glass and sash are unchanged since the days when his anxious eyes looked through them at the soldiers' huts upon the hills. All this has been made possible through the efforts of the Valley Forge Anniversary association, under whose auspices today's celebration was held and who through their persistent efforts have saved the historic old spot, a fitting memorial of the scenes it commemorates.

GRANT FOR VICE PRESIDENT Thinks He Will Not be a Candidate

San Diego, June 19.—The Sun today published the following letter from U.S. Grant, Jr.: "I have never announced nor authorized the announcement of myself as a candidate for the vice presidential nomination, but I have known that some of my friends entertained a feeling that the position ought to come to this coast and that I was probably as available a candidate as any other citizen of the section."

"Mr. Roosevelt can carry the West without the assistance of a Western man, and I think I will favor some Eastern man."

PROHIBITS SELLING CIGARETTES

St. Louis, Mo., June 19.—The anti-cigarette law which becomes effective in Missouri this week will make it exceedingly difficult for the small boy to get his coveted "pipe-stick." The law prohibits the selling or giving away to minors under 16 years of age any cigarettes, cigarette wrappers or papers under a penalty of a fine of \$100 for each offense.

THROUGH LINE OF SHIPMENT

Omaha, Neb., June 19.—Railroad officials here confirm the report that the Burlington Railroad, in conjunction with the Great Northern, is about to open Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, and adjacent territory to lake and rail shipments. The plans provide for the building of a branch line from Sargent, Neb., on the main line, to O'Neill, on the Sioux City branch of the Great Northern. This will give a through line from territory covered by the Burlington to Duluth, and permit shippers and merchants of the Middle West to get the benefit of the lake and rail tariffs, which are 2 cents per 100 pounds lower than the all-rail rates.

GREAT IMMIGRATION

Washington, D. C., June 19.—The immigration to the United States, including Porto Rico, for the year ending to day, is just a little above the volume of immigration in 1882, which was the top year in the history of this country. Although the exact figures will not be forthcoming for several days, it is reliably estimated that the total number of immigrants arriving at the seventeen entry ports of this country during the twelve months amounts to nearly 795,000, or about 5,000 more than in 1882. In the month of May there landed in New York alone nearly 100,000 aliens.

An Absent Marshfielder

The following extracts from a letter received from Frank Wickman, in San Francisco, will be of interest to the many friends on the Bay who are interested in his cultivation of his unusual musical talent, for which purpose he went to the city. He writes:

I am feeling fine, and have a good position with the Pommer-Eller Music Co. I am studying the piano under a very fine teacher and am doing very well. I have a great many advantages down here in a musical line that I would never have in Marshfield. I hear some very fine concerts.

I do get anxious for my little daily though, when sometimes it fails to arrive. I couldn't get along without it now. Just like getting a letter from home, every day.

Oh! for a good mess of Coos Bay clams. Would give a good deal for them.

Met Will Nasburg on the street the other day, and a few minutes afterwards it rained. He must have brought it from Oregon with him as it rained good and hard, and it hadn't rained here for a long time. Will just arrived the night before also.

Thursday morning we had quite an earthquake shock down here. If Marshfield would get a shaking up like it, I am afraid that its people would jump out of bed, even sooner than when the old Coorina starts down the bay and turns her siren loose.

Meet a great many Coos Bayites down here.

A coast lumberman recently got a little heady and asserted that Washington cuts more lumber than Michigan ever did. He simply allowed his local pride to lead him away from facts. One year Michigan cut nearly six billion feet. In 1890, its output was valued at \$83,000,000, and Washington's \$17,450,300. In 1900 Michigan's output was valued at

\$54,000,000 and Washington's \$30,585,280. In the next census Washington should be at the head of the lumber producing states and Oregon second.—Puget Sound Lumberman.

Ye Ballad of Ye Oldest One

St. Louis Globe-Democrat

It was an ancient riverman,
It sat upon the levee,
The river it was swollen and
The rain was fierce and heavy.

It was an ancient riverman,
And it refused to budge,
To warnings and entreaties it
Just simply answered "Fudge!"

It was an ancient riverman,
Its mission to deride
The claims of any modern flood;
It spat upon the tide.

It sat there with a whimsical
Expression on its phiz,
And still it scoffed and still it jeered,
The more the river riz.

The water climbed the levee and
It wet his ancient shoe;
He said it was a paltry flood—
Like that of ninety-two.

The river rose still higher,
The old man would not run,
He said it could not equal
The flood of eighty-one.

And though the water rose again,
He said it would abate,
He sat upon the water-mark
Of eighteen fifty-eight.

"Come back! come back!" the people
cried,
Or you will surely drown!"
He bent his overhanging brow
In a potentous frown,

"Why should I fly?" he thundered loud
(The tide had reached his neck)
"From such a measly flood as this?
It has begun to check.

"Call this a flood?" he sneering asked,
"A fresher, nothing more;
"Why darn its picture, I wuz here
In eighteen forty-four!"

It was an ancient riverman,
It sat upon the levee,
The river it was swollen and
The rain was fierce and heavy.

It was an ancient riverman,
He must be very wet,
For in all probability
He's sitting down there yet.

A Chinaman's Smoke.
In Persia and in Japan pipes about the size of a baby's thumb are used, providing two draws, a great waste of time. It is the Chinaman, however, who in smoking gets endless work out of practically nothing at all.

He carries a little box about twice the size of an ordinary silver cigarette case. This is half filled with water. In one end is a removable tiny tube to serve as pipe. At the other end is the pipstem. First of all, he removes the tube and blows through it to remove all blockage. Then he fumbles through his awkward clothes, searching for tobacco and produces a bit of rag in which it is wrapped.

Carefully he extracts a wad of tobacco, puts away his rag and slowly plugs the tube, which holds perhaps the tenth part of an ordinary cigarette. But he never has any matches.

So he has to borrow or hunt out a brown paper stem and light it—it glows for a long time and can be puffed into flame again—he gives a long draw; slowly, appreciatively, the smoke oozes from between his Celestial lips; he spits; he draws again and gets small result. The smoke is over. He removes the tube, blows through it, and the proceeding begins all over again.

A Letter to Mother.
"You promised mother a letter. Write it now." is one of the mottoes on the walls of the Nagasaki Home For Seamen, a motto that, it is asserted, has restrained more men from going wrong than almost any other influence of the place. Wanderers over the globe are not the only ones who need such a reminder. Indeed they might be able to give lessons in filial duty to many who have never realized how fortunate they are that home and mother are not far away, but near at hand.—Youth's Companion.

"A woman will buy a thing just because it's cheap."
"Perhaps. But she doesn't make selections on that principle when a man is footing the bill."—Chicago Post.

A Missing Ingredient.
The Romans had great circuses, historians declare.
It's hard to see
How this could be.
They had no peanuts there.
—Denver News.

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