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FROM WASHINGTON.

HAYTIAN PRIVATEERS BEING FITTED OUT IN NEW YORK. German Government Spies En Route to the United States—Siamon Matters Becoming More Serious—Landed Matter.

It is asserted in Washington by those in a position to know that matters have reached a serious state in Siam. The natives have worsted the Germans repeatedly, and according to late dispatches Germany now proposes to subvert them by preventing arms being sent to them.

A private cablegram recently received at Washington announces that the German government has ordered military attacks to report at Washington to the German minister. His business, it is said, is to investigate and report to his government everything of interest concerning the American army and navy.

The Republican Senators in caucus have adopted a resolution insisting upon the admission as States of North and South Dakota, Montana and Washington. While it is regarded as expedient that the two Dakotas hold a constitutional convention, the Senators are resolved that another vote shall not be required upon the question of division.

The case brought in the interest of some Oregon settlers has been decided by the commissioner of the general land office. Heretofore the office has required a new publication and new proof in cases where claimants have made protest at a day other than that indicated in the notice of publication.

Commissioner Wright, of the department of labor, has submitted a report which relates entirely to the subject of working women in large cities. The report shows that the working women are practically girls, whose average is under two years, and that out of the 16,427 cases investigated, only 183 were in bad health.

At a recent meeting of the American Shipping and Industrial League, Gen. Joe Wheeler, of Alabama, was elected president for the ensuing year. Resolutions were adopted favoring the passage of a tonnage bill, which asks for an increase of duties on imports for United States built and owned vessels.

The Haytian minister at Washington has informed the secretary of state that several vessels are being fitted out at New York for an expedition against Hayti. The matter has been referred to the treasury department, with the result that the collector of customs at New York was specially instructed to see that no violations of the neutrality laws were committed at that point.

The President has sent to the Senate the name of D. Wade, of Montana, to be chief justice of that Territory. It is now asserted that Consul General Sewell will not again represent the United States at Samoa. In Oregon and Washington Territory, and it is stated in California, there are many excellent government lands, which would be at once settled on were the land surveyed.

Friends of silver are somewhat indignant that Senator Allison has refused to accept the portfolio of the Treasury department. They claim that he has an opportunity to restore silver to its former standing in coinage. An important proviso of the Oklahoma bill as passed by the house recently is one reciting that nothing in the act organizing the territory shall be construed to authorize any person to enter upon or occupy any lands in the Cherokee outlet and Oklahoma proper, for settlement or otherwise, until after the Indian tribes and commissioners shall have concluded an agreement to that effect.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ELECTORAL MEN SENIORS REFUSED THEIR MILAGE. The Marlow Band of Texas Deperados Disband—The President and Cashier of a Georgia Bank in Jail for Theft.

The Clear Lake bank, at Mason City, Iowa, has closed its doors. Snow fell at Pensacola, Fla., last week, the first time in 22 years. Mr. Jas. G. Blaine, jr., has signed a contract to go on the stage for three years. Two school children near Hitchcock, D. T., perished in the snow storm of last week.

The West Virginia Democratic legislative caucus has agreed to support Kenna for the senatorship. The messenger with the electoral vote of Florida did not leave the state. No reason is given for doing so. Ives and Staylor were unable to obtain \$250,000 bond, and are locked up in Ludlow street jail, New York.

Ex-Governor Porter, of Indiana, is authorized by the statement of the Warner Miller will be in the cabinet. It is anticipated that about 30 Warner will be discharged from the appraisers' office at New York in a day or two. The House committee on commerce will recommend the building of a lighthouse near the mouth of the St. Lawrence river, Or.

Jack Carkeek, the Cornish wrestler, defeated Tom Cannon, the English champion at Milwaukee, last week—best three in five falls. President Tollerson and Cashier Richards, of the Mercantile Banking Company, at Atlanta, Ga., have been sent to prison for theft. F. J. Marshall, formerly cashier of the Northern Pacific Express Company, at St. Paul, is under arrest for embezzling money from the company.

The Indianapolis people are awaiting with patience the report of the grand jury to see the names of those who have had bills returned against them. The Marlow gang of desperados, on the border of Texas and the Indian Territory, has been broken up, Boone Marlow, the head, being killed, and his two brothers wounded. Senator Stewart received yesterday from the Nevada legislature a memorial to President Grant Harrison, requesting the appointment of a Pacific Coast man in his cabinet.

The shortage of Moore, the Indianapolis agent of the Connecticut Mutual Insurance Company, may reach to \$1,000,000. He has been missing for three days, and is believed to be in California. Julian C. McClure, a prominent man of Jackson county, Ind., has disappeared. It is reported that he is short in his accounts as guardian of minor heirs to the amount of \$23,000. Keeley, of motor fame, who had been imprisoned for contempt of court in not answering questions propounded to him, has been released, because the case in which he was under examination was not fairly at issue.

Rudolph Ericsson, of New Britain, Conn., inventor of the new explosive, extralite, has received a letter from his uncle in Sweden, stating that the right to use the discovery in England has been sold for \$20,000. The Supreme Court of New York has affirmed the verdict of the Circuit Court of \$45,000 against the millionaire coffee merchant, Charles Arbuckle, in the breach of promise suit brought by Clara Campbell, of Ironton, Ohio. Ida Wilcox, daughter of Mrs. C. Wilcox, of Bainbridge, N. Y., a pretty girl of 17 years, was arrested in Paris last week, with a Dr. Sellar, of England, with whom she had eloped. Dr. Sellar, it is said, has a wife in England.

The American ship, Henry Villard, cleared from New York last week for Seattle, W. T., with a general cargo of merchandise. This is the first vessel that has ever left New York for Seattle and she will be probably two months on the trip. Three messengers carrying state electoral votes have not been paid their mileage, because the certificates identifying them are sealed in an envelope which cannot be opened until February 13. The messengers come from Colorado, Kansas and Alabama. The postmaster-general has sent to the chairman of the house committee on post-offices and post-roads a proposed plan for the classification of clerks in all first and second class post-offices. The general effect of this classification of the present force, it is said, would be to increase the aggregate salaries by about \$300,000. The report of the Atchison directors resulted in no enthusiasm in Boston, but if any increased the gloom, for it is evident that the whole truth has not yet been told, but that there is something being held back. Wall Street tried to boom the stock, and did send it up a few points, but a full detailed statement of the condition of the system is necessary to secure confidence. Members of the New York legislature complain of being worried by corrupt lobbyists. Cincinnati is arranging for fuel gas, and expects to get it for 10 cents per 1000 feet. Gold deposits of great value are reported as having been discovered in the state of Guanajuato, Mexico. Three women contested for the liberality of the state of Tennessee. The widow of a Confederate soldier got it.

Eight thousand fruit trees and 10,000 grape vines were handed out to ranchers in the northern portion of San Luis Obispo county, last week. Li Hung Chang, the famous Viceroy of the province of Chihli, who takes rank next to the members of the Imperial family in China, has suffered a stroke of paralysis and is said to be in a critical condition. The legislature of Maine is deluged with petitions in favor of granting the municipal vote to the women of that state.

THE PACIFIC COAST.

THE TRAGIC DEATH OF A FARMER AT SANTAQUIN, UTAH. Antagonism Between the Governor and Legislature of New Mexico—Prospectors on the Island of Texas—A Minor Mention.

Baker City, Oregon, is lighted with gas. Diphtheria is almost epidemic at St. Helena. Osgood, San Diego county, has a new postoffice. Redding is to have a new three-story hotel and opera house. Forestville, Sonoma county, is to build a \$20,000 hotel this spring. Fires of unknown origin are becoming quite frequent at Los Angeles. A three-point buck was issued while swimming in Putah creek last week. A Mrs. Gobleman is charged with the crime of murdering her infant child at Woodland.

James Corrigan, lately from Kansas, while drunk, was killed by the cars at Fresno recently. For 25-cents the hack drivers at Walla Walla, W. T., will take a person to any part of the city. Thirty thousand acres of grain will be planted in the San Jacinto Valley, San Diego county, this season. The boys at Sonoma celebrated the arrival of the hook and ladder truck by a torchlight procession. The cantilever bridge over the Umpqua river at Winchester, Or., has been accepted; it is said to be a fine structure.

Bannock Indians, now visiting Piutes and Washoes, in Washoe county, gave a peace dance at Reno on the 28th ult. The dedication of the Odd Fellows' hall, at Redding, was attended with impressive ceremonies and proved a great success. The Arizona legislature have moved the capital from Prescott to Phoenix, where the legislature will assemble in about ten days. A new steamboat, to be named the Mount Tacoma, which is to run between Tacoma and Whatcom, W. T., was contracted for lately. Governor Ross and the New Mexico legislature are at sword's points. All his vetoes are passed over his head and nearly all his appointments are pigeon holed. Prospectors are staking off all of the island of Texas, where the recent gold find is reported. Many miners from British Columbia and Puget Sound have gone there. The child of William Allen was burned to death at the Stone Mill settlement, San Diego county, yesterday. The clothing of the child was ignited in some unknown way. Mrs. E. Parks, who lives near Bangor, Butte county, fell into the Forbestown flume Sunday. She shot the flume, a distance of three-quarters of a mile, without injury.

The survey of Blackfoot, Fort Belknap and Fort Peck reservations, in Montana, has been advertised for. About 17,000 acres will be thrown open to the public. A move is being made in New Mexico to increase the liquor license from \$100 to \$1,000. The legislature is expected to pass a bill to that effect. The liquor men are making a desperate fight. Eight tons of butter, eggs, cured meat, etc., were shipped from Port Harford on the 22d ult., the greater portion of which was sent south to feed the citizens of Los Angeles and San Diego. In Utah the census of children of school age, between six and 18 years, shows that there are in the Territory 941 boys and 3641 girls of non-Mormon parents, and 24,082 boys and 23,289 girls of Mormon parentage. The result of the Laguna de Tache grant in the state of Fresno, it is said, will be to transfer a water monopoly from one party to another. Nothing will be gained for the public and the interest is more of curiosity to see who will win than to anticipate benefits. Farmers in the southwestern part of Grass Valley township, Nevada county, are organizing for the purpose of constructing an irrigation ditch to take water from the South Yuba Canal Company and lead it over Dress Summit, by Osborne hill, through Forest Springs, and then on down the country.

At Santaquin, Utah, J. Anderson, aged 33 years, has for some time past trained his 8-year-old girl cousin to the use of fire arms. He has loaded the muzzle of an empty gun to his head and the girl would pull the trigger and snap the weapon. Tuesday he loaded the gun with buckshot and playfully placed the muzzle in his mouth, asking the child to pull the trigger. She did so, and Anderson's head was blown to pieces. He was despondent and had taught the child to act as she did, with the deliberate intention of being killed. Elijah Smith has accepted the presidency of the Seattle, Lake Shore & Eastern Railroad. This road, with the Union Pacific and Manitoba and Oregon Railway, have formed a pool, with Smith as president. The Oregon will build to Spokane Falls from Rockford (a line of 25 miles) immediately. The material for the Seattle road will come by the Oregon line, and the Seattle road will be pushed to completion within a year, if possible, regardless of expense. The Oregon will unite with the Union Pacific and Manitoba at Missoula as soon as the line is completed.

Sweet potatoes will fatten a pig sooner than will corn. The small tubers can be used, as well as those that may be damaged, by cooking them for that purpose. The North Pacific Canning Company is shipping large quantities of lumber to Alaska, and in the process of erecting an extensive canning establishment. The situation at the Newcastle col mines in Washington Territory is still serious.

AGRICULTURAL.

THE SECRET OF BREEDING AND FEEDING CATTLE. The Proper Management of Seed Potatoes—The Advantages of Well-bred Horses—A Receipt for Preserving Eggs.

Grooming should be thoroughly performed on every horse at least once a day. Never groom a horse in its stall while the horse is eating, but take it out for the purpose. Otherwise the dust and dirt which fill the air becomes mixed with the horse's food, making it unpalatable and unwholesome. Breeding sows should be given comfortable, clean quarters, with freedom of exercise, and should be exercised enough for moderate exertion. Do not let them run with cattle or horses, though, they should have generous and plentiful rations of bran and other muscle-forming food, but not much Indian corn or meal. Skin milk, bran oil-meal, etc., are good foods for them. The management of seed potatoes is one of the important arts of the potato grower. The chief point is to prevent them from sprouting, and for this purpose a low temperature as near to the freezing as is possible, without touching it, is desirable. Nearly every grower finds that the late varieties of potatoes are more productive than the early ones. It is not this partly due to the fact that early varieties have been injured by sprouting, while late varieties are less liable to this injury.

The following receipt has been tried by a lady who says she has eggs that were preserved by it four years. They are still good. Take one pound of unslacked lime and one pint of common salt to two gallons of soft water. Put your eggs on end, in layers, in any good tight vessel—a jar is good. When all is over, make a layer of the brine to completely cover the eggs. If you put the eggs down as gathered each day, add some of the brine so as to keep all completely covered all the while. In breeding and feeding cattle the first legitimate purpose is to make the animal do the very best that it will. In the direction of depriving the stock of all that will eat—has no place in the calculation at all. It is true that in some cases the animal will eat its head off, though that will occur only with scrub stock. But in such cases the animal should be sold or killed. It does not destroy the rule that profitable dairying demands abundant food and good food. Probably meal will finish up a steer better than ear corn, but for the bulk of the feeding there are no trials to which we can point that show in favor of meal over whole corn. A step still further in the right direction is to feed unhusked corn, fodder and all, to the cattle. Such innovations may appal many farmers, but what are we driving toward is not more complicated methods of feeding, but big crops to feed, better stock to feed it to, and simple, rational methods of getting feed to the animals.

If the owner of a small farm brings to his work the business capacity and good judgment which the large landowner does, it is very evident that, proportionally, the profit he