

BLUNDER WAS CAUSE OF SCARE

Secret Report Had Not Been Shown Taft Before Congress Got It, and Then for Several Hours There Was Something Doing.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—A special dispatch from Washington to the Tribune says:

Somebody's blunder was the cause of the "war scare" which has set official circles topsy-turvy for the last few days.

The disclosure of cross-purposes in connection with the report of the secretary of war, was occasioned by something that went wrong in bureaucratic routine.

The president was entirely ignorant of the contents of the report sent to congress by Secretary of War Dickinson and afterwards suppressed. Secretary Dickinson understood that the president had seen his report and approved its contents.

The report was prepared by Major-General Leonard Wood during the absence of the secretary on his trip

around the world. General Wood directed the submission of the document to the president and supposed this had been done.

It turned out that the report never reached the president's desk. Secretary Dickinson returned, read the report and gave it his sanction in the belief that its contents were known to the president.

Not until the report had gone to congress as a "confidential document," and been returned, did the president know of its existence, or Secretary Dickinson and General Wood know that the president had not seen it.

New Cases.

The following new causes for action were filed with the clerk of the court since last Saturday:

Nellie Drake vs. Cyrus Drake, divorce.

John Hackinson vs. City of Ashland, a municipal corporation, action to recover money.

George Coster vs. John Mattis and J. B. Evans, foreclosure of lien.

C. W. Matthews vs. J. E. Shearer, action to recover money.

Gaddis & Dixon vs. J. Ford and Walter Mandy, action to recover money.

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APPLEGATE IS A MEDFORD VISITOR

State Land Agent Calls on Old Friends—Has Just Filed His Annual Report With Governor—Everything in Good Shape.

Peter Applegate, state land agent, was in the city Monday night and Tuesday.

Mr. Applegate was called to Woodville on official business and upon arriving there found that he must come to Medford.

Mr. Applegate in his biennial report to the governor, asserts that upon assuming the duties of state land agent he found the books of the office in good condition.

At that time the price for state indemnity lands was \$8.75 per acre and was advanced under his administration to \$10 per acre and later to \$15 per acre. The gross amount of state land sales amounts to \$629,697.30.

Mr. Applegate spent Tuesday in Medford, returning to Salem Wednesday morning.

While it is possible that the land agent might have gone to 123456

agent might have given out some valuable information, he declined to do so, but gave out a copy of his biennial report, which, he said, "told the whole story."

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Taft sent to the senate today the nomination of Charles A. Cotterill of Toledo to be collector of internal revenue at Honolulu, Hawaii. Cotterill is a negro. A protest from Honolulu that a resident of that city should be appointed was unheeded.

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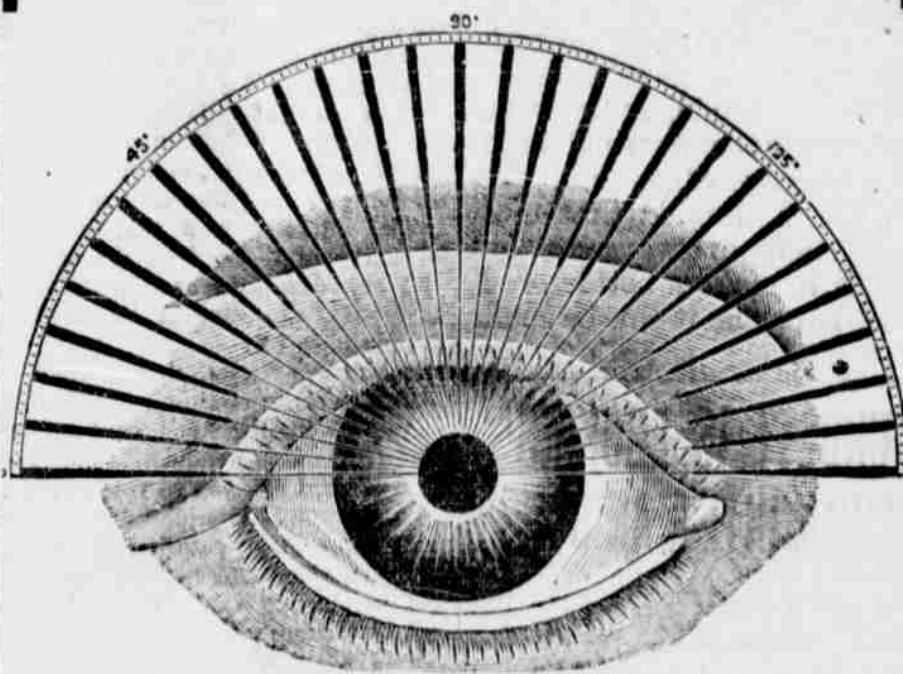
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