

THE POLICY OF AMERICA

Senator Morgan's Committee Reports on the Canal Commission.

The Hay-Pauncefote Treaty Should Not Stand in the Way of Legislation in Congress--Volunteers Start Home from the Philippines.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Senator Morgan, chairman of the Senate committee on Inter-oceanic Canals, to which was referred the preliminary report of the Isthmian Canal Commission, today submitted a partial report thereon in connection with the protocols of the agreements with Costa Rica and Nicaragua relating to the proposed canal which were submitted recently to the Senate. In the course of the report it is said that the statement of the Walker Commission and the protocols referred to have a direct bearing on what is known as the Hepburn bill now on the Senate calendar.

"That bill," says the report, "is a declaration of the policy of the United States for a canal under the control of this Government."
The report says:
"The passage of the Hepburn bill by an almost unanimous vote in the House must have called for a protest from Great Britain, if that Government considers that any right of hers is in conflict with that measure. If the passage of that measure through the Senate calls for such a protest, then will be an appropriate time for its consideration, and for taking measures to answer it. Until then we can never know the grounds of objections Great Britain may choose to make."
"The Senate, engaged in a negotia-

tion with Great Britain, which may or may not result in an agreement, cannot afford to refuse to consider a bill so important to the country as the Hepburn bill, merely to await the pleasure of one-third of that body. The Senate, as a part of the treaty-making power has no more just right to suspend legislation on this subject, than the President, who is the other part of that power, has to suspend legislation by his order."

VOLUNTEERS COME HOME.

Manila, Dec. 18.—Volunteer regiments will proceed to the United States to be mustered out in practically the same order as they arrived in the Philippine Islands. They will be replaced by the regulars, provided by the army bill. The Thirty-seventh volunteer regiment, which is to begin its homeward movement by embarking New Year's day, was brought from the Laguna de Bay district, and will start on the transport Sheridan. Officers of the regular army holding commissions in the volunteer regiments will be retained in the Philippines, and volunteer officers on special duty will be relieved only on authority of headquarters.

Volunteers desiring to leave the service and remain in the Philippines will be allowed to do so. Enlisted natives will be discharged.

It is believed that the temporary depletion of the many posts and the checking of operations will result in renewed insurgent activity.

ging as worth only \$1.86 a pound, whereas the Korean article averaged as high as \$16.50 a pound.

There is a marked difference between the American and the Korean root. The American ginseng is made up largely of fibrous roots called beard, while the Korean is more compact. There is also said to be a marked difference in the effect produced by the two. American ginseng is considered by Koreans to be inert as compared with the Korean root.

So far as American medical authorities have been able to determine, ginseng has none of the marvelous curative properties which the Koreans ascribe to it. It is possible that the Korean root possesses properties which are not apparent in the American. It is regarded by the Chinese as a strong aphrodisiac and is used in the treatment of the various malarial fevers of the Orient. It is also used as a general tonic, being brewed into a tea which is very commonly drunk. Owing to the high price of the Korean root in almost all the Chinese stores, it is found mixed with the American root in order to cheapen it.

There are two kinds of ginseng in Korea. One is the wild and the other the cultivated. The wild is of much the greater value, the Koreans believing that it possesses almost magical properties. The Korean name for ginseng is san. They use it with the prefixes "in," which means man, and "san," which means mountain, in order to distinguish the variety cultivated by man from that found growing wild in the mountains. Sansam is extremely rare and is said to be worth its weight in gold. This kind of ginseng is associated with a single root, and there are well-authenticated cases where nearly \$2,000 has been paid for an especially fine specimen. The wild root is much larger than the cultivated, ranging from a foot to four feet in length. The special virtues of sansam are not supposed to lie in the material composition of the plant, but to be due to the fact that it is produced wholly apart from man's influence and under the care of some good spirit. True sansam is supposed never to have been seen by any man until found and dug up. It is possible by using the seed of the wild root to grow ginseng of almost the same character as sansam, but an effort to sell it as the real wild article is looked upon as a swindle, and experts boast that they are able to tell the difference between the two.

Especially fine specimens of sansam are invariably kept for the use of the royal family. In sansam, or the cultivated root, is produced in large quantities in Korea, but in a very restricted area. Most of it comes from the immediate vicinity of the city of Song-do. The majority of the farms are within plain sight of the city and cover an area not more than eight miles in diameter. As the production of the root is a government monopoly, the farms are kept in a condition strikingly superior to the properties of the Koreans not so engaged. Each farm is a rectangular compound, one part containing the buildings enclosed by a wall, the rest being surrounded by high fences. In the compound are one or more tall little watch towers from which a lookout is kept to prevent the raids of robbers.

A vast amount of work is necessary to raise one crop. Planting is done along in September or October. The seeds are sown thickly in a carefully prepared seed bed to the depth of three inches, in little watering trenches about three inches apart. Once in every three days of the plant's whole life it has to be watered and the bed carefully inspected to prevent crowding and the ravages of worms and insects. Over the entire seed bed are built sheds with matings made of twigs for a cover, in order to keep the light from the growing plants. They cannot stand a strong light. In the second month of the second year after planting the root is regarded as formed and the general shape of the plant above ground is attained.

In February of the third year the plants are transplanted to adjoining beds, five or six to each cross row, the watering trenches being here between the plant rows. Here they remain a year and then they are transplanted to a third bed, being placed still further apart in their respective trenches. A year later they are again transplanted,

ed, this time to their final bed, where they remain about three years. It will thus be seen that seven years are required from the time of planting until the plant is matured. After the first three or four years the necessity for keeping the plants shaded does not exist. In the autumn of the seventh year, as soon as the seeds are ripe and have been picked, the harvest begins. The plants and roots intact are carefully taken from the earth. The stems are broken off, the roots washed, placed in small baskets, and taken to the steaming houses. After being steamed for several hours they are removed and taken to the drying houses, where they are spread out in baskets over slow fires and dried for ten days, when they are supposed to be cured.

Considering all the time and trouble necessary for the growth and curing of the root it is scarcely to be wondered at that a high price is demanded for it. No man is permitted to grow ginseng without a license from the government, and the whole industry is under the control of the foreign maritime customs. It has to pay an export duty of about half its value, and this stimulates smuggling of the root out of the country. In April, 1889, the net profits of the government from declared exports were \$515,000, and it is estimated that one-third of the crop was smuggled out without paying duty.

Ginseng which has been raised and cured by the process described above is called by the Koreans hong-sam. It forms the greater part of that staple. It is the only kind which will stand exporting. Pak-sam is in-sam which is simply washed, scraped, and sundried after being taken from the earth instead of being cured in the drying-houses. It is much used, and is regarded by many as a better medicine than hong-sam, but commercially it is not of such importance.

A DANGEROUS COURSE.

The Captain of the Steamer Alpha to Blame for the Wreck.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 18.—The latest news of the foundering of the steamer Alpha with a loss of nine lives indicates that the cause of the disaster was primarily the taking of an unusual course in the coaling station at Union Bay. Encountering a fierce southwesterly gale, while steaming up the straits, the captain decided to take what is known as the inside passage, and kept on the inside of Denman island.

SIGNS.

"I shouldn't be surprised if I done said dat mule aftuh all," remarked Uncle Raspberry.
"Is you got any offers?"
"No. But I's gwinter git one purty soon. Deacon Thompson stops byuh every yintah day an' waxes half an hour tiffin me 'bout what a no 'count animal it is. An' de deacon don't put in his time wifout he's got on object."
—Washington Star.

MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCES.

"Why, you wicked boy! You were playing games with those naughty children on the Sabbath day! I must punish you severely."
"But, mamma, those were the children of that man on the avenue that made a million dollars last month."
"Oh, well, don't let it happen again."
—Philadelphia Press.

THE DRUMMER COMPLAINS.

These chumps won't buy our goods; they buy and hem.
It's got to be—by jing!
A much too ordinary thing with them To order nary thing.
—Philadelphia Press.

RAILWAYS IN JAPAN.

The total length of all railways in Japan at the end of the 31st of March, 1909, was 3635 miles, of which 832 miles belonged to the government and 2802 miles to the private companies, showing increases of 64 miles in the governmental railways and 159 miles in the private railways, a total of 223 miles, compared with the figures of the preceding fiscal year.

YOU CAN BE CURED OF nervous diseases, stammering, bad habits, alcoholism, drug habit, and sexual diseases, Catarrh and deafness. Instruction in personal magnetism. Send for Literature, Institute of Psychology, 7th and Wash., Portland.

WILLOCUPY NEW QUARTERS.

The Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co.'s Salem House Will Remove to Store-rooms on State Street.

Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Co., which firm has occupied the ground floor of the Illinois Club building for some time past, will soon move to more commodious quarters. The store rooms formerly occupied by Pohl & Bishop and Griswold & Chase, on State street, have been leased by the company and are being remodeled to suit the convenience of such a stock of hardware, preparatory to moving it into the building. The two rooms will be combined by a large area, making a store room with 4290 square feet of space on the ground floor. This will give about one-third more room than in the present location.

Manager F. F. Cary is busily engaged in taking an invoice of the goods and machinery on hand and expects to be in his new store ready for business by January 1st.

This firm's popularity among the farmers and the very liberal patronage it receives at their hands, insures for the coming year the largest business that has ever been done in Salem by this well known house.

SICK HEADACHE ABSOLUTE-ly and permanently cured by using Moku Tea. A pleasant herb drink. Cures constipation and indigestion. Makes you eat, sleep, work and happy. Satisfaction guaranteed or money back. 25 and 50c. DR. STONE'S drug stores.

Senor Don Fernando de Guechilla, who succeeds Senor Luis Paz as the Peruvian minister to this country, began his diplomatic career as chargé d'affaires at Lima, Peru, and has held the office of Bolivian minister for foreign affairs for two terms.

THE STRIKING TELEGRAPHERS

Effort Will Be Made to Bring About Peace Today.

SANTA FE OFFICERS WILL RECEIVE

And Hear a Committee from Trainmen's Organizations—The Strike Considered a Mistake.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—According to a statement issued tonight by J. M. Barr, vice president of the Santa Fe Railroad Company, a committee composed of different railroad trainmen organizations, who have taken up the grievances of the striking telegraphers, consider the strike a mistake, and at tomorrow's conference to be held here with the officials of the Santa Fe, nothing but the re-employment of the telegraphers will be requested from the company.

THEY DISAGREE.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—The conference on arbitration and conciliation was enlivened during the day, by a debate between Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Hugh H. Lusk, ex-member of parliament of New Zealand. The venerable New Zealander expressed his displeasure at the declaration made by Gompers, in his address last night. The labor leader asserted that he wanted to see labor organizations retain the privilege of striking when they pleased, or merely because they pleased.

A CUT-OFF.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Dec. 18.—A special to the Tribune, from Cheyenne, Wyo., says:
The Union Pacific Railroad Company today awarded to Kilpatrick Brothers & Collins, the contract for the cut-off through Echo Canyon, from Echo, Wyo., to Salt Lake City, a distance of forty miles. The contract price is \$6,000,000, and is one of the largest in the history of railroad construction in the West.

IT IS NOT A TRUST.

ASSOCIATED PRESS WINS A VICTORY IN MISSOURI.
Effort of a St. Louis Newspaper to Secure the Press Service Falls in Supreme Court.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Dec. 18.—The Supreme Court of Missouri, at Jefferson City, today handed down an opinion in the case of the Star Publishing Co. vs. the Associated Press of Illinois, deciding the case unanimously in favor of the Associated Press. The Star Company was engaged in publishing an evening newspaper in St. Louis, known as The Star and it brought suit for a writ of mandamus to require the Associated Press to serve it with the evening news report.

RAIDING BOERS

Have Invaded Cape Colony. Where Warm Fighting Has Ensued.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—"The Boers have raided Cape Colony at two separate points 100 miles distant," says the Cape Town correspondent to the Daily Mail.
"One commando advanced upon Philipstown between Colesburg and Kimberley. The other, supposed to be Herzog's commando, crossed the Orange river between Oshanaastroom and Bethulle, northwest of Burgersdorp, its objective apparently being Cradock."

SERVICES POSTPONED.

The Thanksgiving Exercises in England Will Not Take Place.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—The contemplated thanksgiving service in St. Paul's Cathedral, in connection with the return of Lord Roberts from South Africa has been abandoned owing, as the Government announces, "to its being considered desirable to defer a general thanksgiving until the close of the operations in South Africa."

PINGREE IGNORED.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 18.—Governor Pingree's banquet, which was announced in honor of the members of

TAKING CHANCES.

People Who Will Learn only by a Perilous Personal Experience.

As a rule experience is profitable only to the individual who obtains it. When the aged man tries to save youth from mistakes such as he made, the youth smiles to himself: "The idea of that old fossil thinking that an up-to-date young man is going to make mistakes." It is a peculiar trait of human nature that each man thinks he is a little smarter than the others, and that he will succeed where others failed. "Oh, yes," says Smith, "I know that poor Jones got capsized in the rapids, but Jones, you know, never was a good hand at the paddle. It's a pity; people like Jones will take such chances." And he smugly launches his canoe to follow Jones alike in his feat and his failure.

THE EXTREME OF FOLLY.

The most foolhardy man who ever risked his life, or the most infatuated gambler who ever risked his fortune, is a sage compared with the man who attempts to get the best of Nature. The foolhardy man may succeed. The gambler may win. But the man who takes chances with Nature is bound to lose. If the obituaries of tens of thousands who are cut down annually in life's prime were truly written death would not be attributed to this or that form of disease, but to an attempt to evade the necessary laws of health.

HER MAIDEN CRUISE.

The state Legislature, Justices of the Supreme Court and railroad officials of the state, was given in the hall of the House of Representatives. None of Justices of the Supreme Court nor railroad officials invited were present, while only three state Senators and forty-six Representatives attended.

KEEP THEIR PLACES.

British Government Pleads for the Discharged Volunteers.

BUILDING THE NAVY.

WHERE THE CONTRACTS FOR NEW VESSELS ARE PLACED.

The Union Iron Works Will Construct Several of the Contemplated Sea Warriors.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.

The Board of Naval Construction, considering bids for the construction of battleships and cruisers, has settled these points:

One of the big armored cruisers shall go to the Cramps, one to Newport News, and one to the Union Iron Works, in California. One battleship shall go to the Erie River Engine Works, at Quincy, Mass.

This leaves seven ships to be disposed of, and while in view of the fact that another meeting of the board is to be held, it is not possible to make a prediction with absolute accuracy, the indications are that they will be distributed as follows:

One cruiser and one battleship to the Cramps, making three for them; one cruiser and one battleship to Newport News, making three for them; one cruiser and one battleship to the Bath Iron Works. There is still a possibility that Moran Brothers, of Seattle, may get the battleship slated for the Union Iron Works or the Bath Iron Works.

TO SAIL COLUMBIA.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Ex-Commodore E. D. Morgan, who will have charge of the Columbia, in her races with the new Defender, will have the old champion aloft early in April. He said recently that the work of overhauling and preparing her would be done at City Island, where she now lies hauled out. Her crew will be put aboard about April 1st, and under the direction of Captain Barr she will rapidly assume her aristocratic appearance.

A MINISTER'S MISTAKE.

A city minister was recently handed a notice to be read from his pulpit. Accompanying it was a clipping from a newspaper bearing upon the matter. The clergyman started to read the extract and found that it began: "Take Kemp's Balsam, the best Cough Cure. This was fairly what he had expected and after a moment's hesitation, he turned it over, and found on the other side the matter intended for the reading."

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.

Twice-a-Week Statesman, \$1 a year.

Woobsey, Prince William Co., Va. "I suffered with my stomach and back for a long time and after taking a quantity of medicine from three doctors, I grew so bad I could hardly do a day's work. Would have death-like pains in the side, and blind spells, and thought life was hardly worth living. I decided to consult Dr. R. V. Pierce and his staff of physicians. They said my case was curable and I was greatly encouraged. I began taking Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and 'Pleasant Pellets,' as advised. Before I had taken half of the second bottle I began to feel relieved. I got six more bottles and used them, and am happy to say I owe my life to Dr. Pierce and his medicines. These words are truths, as I live, so if this testimonial can be used in any way to be of benefit you need not hesitate to use it. I shall stand for the Invalid's Hotel and Surgical Institute as long as life lasts."
DON'T DELAY.

Disease never leaps on a man like a lion from ambush and strikes him down at a blow. However suddenly a man may be stricken and however deadly the disease, the time was when it was a little thing, easy of control. If you are suffering from indigestion, dyspepsia, or any form of stomach "troubles," don't put off the proper treatment. "Golden Medical Discovery" will cure diseases of the stomach and organs of digestion and nutrition at any stage, but the cure will be quicker the earlier it is begun.

"For twelve long months I suffered untold misery," writes Mrs. Mollie Colgate, of Randolph, Charlotte Co., Va. "No tongue could express the pain that I endured before I commenced taking Dr. Pierce's medicine. I was not able to do anything at all. Could not eat anything except bread and tea—or if I did the top of my head hurt so it seemed it would kill me; with all that I could do it would burn like fire, but now since taking 'Golden

Medical Discovery' I can eat a little of almost anything I want and can do a good day's work as well as any body can. Am better than I have been for years. I think your medicine is the best that ever was made, for it is the only thing that ever did me any good. I tried many other kinds, but none did me any good but your 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Favorite Prescription.' I can never praise them too highly to any one who suffers as I did."

Sick people are invited to consult Dr. Pierce by letter free. All correspondence held as strictly private and sacredly confidential. Write therefore without fear as without fee to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

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