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ENGLAND'S NEXT STEP

The Government Is Preparing Another Statement.

SIR MICHAEL HICKS-BEACH SPEAKS

He Says the Result Will Be Peaceable to Both Sides.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 20.—Russian newspapers generally discuss the Venezuelan question and express the belief that it will have a pacific issue. The Novost considers the position assumed by the United States in conflict with the interests of the whole of Europe and suggests the mediation of certain European powers and a new and peaceful settlement therefore will be opportune.

Canadian Opinion.

OTTAWA, Ont., Dec. 20.—Officials of the government claim that in case of war between Great Britain and the United States, the state of Canada could in 24 hours, put 30,000 fully equipped men into the field and hold any force the United States is likely to bring into this country in check, a couple of months at least. The situation is generally viewed as one of the greatest gravity, calling for prompt preparation for defense, but not for any alarm.

LONDON, Dec. 20.—Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, made an address at a conservative banquet in Bristol, which contained an important suggestion as the probable next step to be taken by the British government in the Venezuela matter, namely, the issuance of a statement by Lord Salisbury, which, Sir Michael intimated, might put a new phase on affairs. The chancellor of the exchequer warned his hearers against exaggerating the gravity of the Venezuela trouble. Some persons, he went on, however, talk of the impossibilities of a war between the United States and Great Britain, because of the ties of kinship between the nations. Nothing was impossible, he asserted, which had already occurred, and when kinsmen unfortunately differed, sometimes they become very bitter enemies. But there were reassurances, he added, in the fact that he did not believe the people on either side of the Atlantic desired war. He thought that, when the true statement is known, which Lord Salisbury had already prepared in dispatches to be soon published, the result would be happy, honorable and peaceable to both sides.

Lord Salisbury came up specially from Hatfield last night and visited the foreign office, where telegraphic dispatches had been received from Sir Julian Pauncefote. The British government cannot take official cognizance of the president's message until communicated to it in due course by the British ambassador to Washington.

The action of the house in passing the bill and appropriating for the commission is regarded in official and political circles as adding gravity to the situation, inasmuch as it renders a settlement still more difficult. It is considered, however, that the British government will ignore the proceedings so that the possibility of a rupture will probably be postponed until such time as the commission has reported and it is sought to give effect to its decision.

The interval, it is hoped, will afford an opportunity for further negotiations. These calculations may, it is obvious, be entirely upset should Venezuela be prompted to any hasty action. The likelihood of such action on the part of Venezuela is regarded as one of the most perilous features of the situation.

A dispatch to the Press Association from Manchester says President McCara, of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners, said in an interview that

war between Great Britain and the United States would entail incalculable distress on Lancashire cotton workers, for hundreds of the raw material necessary to feed the Lancashire spinning looms come from America.

The Venezuelan Commission.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—At 11:30 the foreign relations committee of the senate, which has under consideration the commission bill suggested by the president, adjourned. A virtual agreement was reached as to what should be done.

The bill with some few amendments will probably pass today. The amendment having for its effect the confirmation of the commission by the senate will be agreed to and accepted by the house. The amendment will also be made that investigation shall be to ascertain facts, and not to determine the boundary as the bill now provides. The committee also agreed to recommend that the commission should consist of three persons.

LATER.
The senate has laid the committee's amendments on the table and the house bill has been passed. The vote was unanimous.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.
If President Cleveland will now deal firmly with Great Britain in the Venezuelan affair; tell Johnny Bull to keep his hands off Alaska; hoist the American flag over the Hawaiian republic; tell Spain to take her hands off Cuba; and bug out to the breeze the banner of the American continent for Americans; he will be a hard man to beat for president, even for a third term and the mistakes of the Democratic party.

FIRST SILVER VOTE.

Taken in the Senate Shows Majority for Silver.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The first silver vote in the senate has just been taken on motion to refer to the finance committee Allen's silver bill directing inquiry as to the advisability of opening mints to free coinage in view of strained relations over Venezuela. Motion was defeated, yeas 24; nays 38. The silver men voted 20.

Burglary in Hillsboro.

HILLSBORO, Dec. 20.—The residence of Dr. F. A. Baily was entered by burglars, who went in through the bathroom window. Change amounting to about \$18 was taken from the doctor's trousers; also a valuable solid-gold watch, which the owner had carried for a number of years. Nothing else of value being found, the burglars helped themselves to pie and boiled ham and then made their exit, no one in the house being disturbed.

It is supposed the same persons then proceeded to the house of Mr. R. E. Bryan, merchant, about half a block distant, and raised an outside window, awakening Mrs. Bryan. She called to her husband, who gave chase and fired two shots at the escaping culprits.

Tuesday night the house of State Senator Tongue was entered, but the burglars were frightened away before anything valuable was found.

Two men were arrested shortly after noon today near the Jobe crossing, one mile west of town, by Deputy Sheriffs Bradford and Bagerly and Constable Annans, after a desperate struggle and after 15 shots had been fired. The men gave their names as Charles Kennedy and John Powers. Both were heavily armed with Remington's and United States navy revolvers. According to their statements they have not worked any since last harvest.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Salem and Eastern Quotations Corrected Daily.

CHICAGO Dec. 20.—Wheat, cash 50 1/2; May 50 1/2.

NEW YORK Dec. 20.—Silver, 85 1/2; lead, 83.30.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Wheat, 95 1/2; flour, 100.00; sugar, 110.00; coffee, 110.00; rice, 110.00; cotton, 110.00; wool, 110.00; gold, 110.00; silver, 110.00; copper, 110.00; tin, 110.00; iron, 110.00; steel, 110.00; lumber, 110.00; brick, 110.00; cement, 110.00; glass, 110.00; paper, 110.00; oil, 110.00; gas, 110.00; electricity, 110.00; telegraph, 110.00; telephone, 110.00; steam, 110.00; machinery, 110.00; tools, 110.00; hardware, 110.00; clothing, 110.00; shoes, 110.00; furniture, 110.00; household goods, 110.00; jewelry, 110.00; watches, 110.00; books, 110.00; newspapers, 110.00; magazines, 110.00; stationery, 110.00; printing, 110.00; advertising, 110.00; real estate, 110.00; insurance, 110.00; banking, 110.00; law, 110.00; medicine, 110.00; agriculture, 110.00; commerce, 110.00; industry, 110.00; science, 110.00; art, 110.00; music, 110.00; sports, 110.00; recreation, 110.00; education, 110.00; religion, 110.00; politics, 110.00; social, 110.00; domestic, 110.00; foreign, 110.00; general, 110.00.

PORTLAND MARKET.

PORTLAND, Dec. 20.—Wheat valley 53; white, 50.

FLOUR—Portland, 22.50; Benton county, 22.00; Graham, 22.50; super fine, 22.50 per ton.

WHEAT—White, 20.00; gray, 19.50; rolled, in bags, 21.00; in bulk, 20.50; cases, 21.25.

POTATOES—New Oregon, 2.00 per sack.

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SALEM MARKET.

Wheat—No. 1, 1.75; No. 2, 1.70; No. 3, 1.65; No. 4, 1.60; No. 5, 1.55; No. 6, 1.50; No. 7, 1.45; No. 8, 1.40; No. 9, 1.35; No. 10, 1.30; No. 11, 1.25; No. 12, 1.20; No. 13, 1.15; No. 14, 1.10; No. 15, 1.05; No. 16, 1.00; No. 17, 0.95; No. 18, 0.90; No. 19, 0.85; No. 20, 0.80; No. 21, 0.75; No. 22, 0.70; No. 23, 0.65; No. 24, 0.60; No. 25, 0.55; No. 26, 0.50; No. 27, 0.45; No. 28, 0.40; No. 29, 0.35; No. 30, 0.30; No. 31, 0.25; No. 32, 0.20; No. 33, 0.15; No. 34, 0.10; No. 35, 0.05; No. 36, 0.00; No. 37, 0.00; No. 38, 0.00; No. 39, 0.00; No. 40, 0.00; No. 41, 0.00; No. 42, 0.00; No. 43, 0.00; No. 44, 0.00; No. 45, 0.00; No. 46, 0.00; No. 47, 0.00; No. 48, 0.00; No. 49, 0.00; No. 50, 0.00.

MONTGOMERY HANGS.

Judge Burnett Signs His Death Warrant.

SENTENCED TO HANG BY NECK.

Phonograph Wants to Register His Confession.

ALBANY, Or., Dec. 20.—Lloyd Montgomery was arraigned before Judge Burnett at the time set for pronouncing sentence upon him. He was brought into court in the custody of two officers, and for the first time appeared somewhat nervous. Those who expected he would make a statement were disappointed, for not a word was spoken by him.

The usual form of a motion for a new trial was submitted by the counsel for the defense without argument, which was, of course, overruled. Then Judge Burnett addressed the defendant's counsel and said:

"Judge Whitney, is there any legal reason, other than that urged in your motion for a new trial, why sentence should not be pronounced?"

"No, your honor."

"You may cause the prisoner to stand up."

Judge Burnett then pronounced the following sentence:

"It is the judgment of the law in pursuance of your trial and conviction, that you be taken hence and confined in the county jail until the day fixed for your execution; that you then be taken from the jail and there suffer the punishment of death by being hanged by the neck until you are dead, and may God have mercy on your soul."

The prisoner turned pale when these solemn words were pronounced, sealing his doom, but he had apparently nerved himself to meet this crisis, and the look of despair plainly written upon his face, as he sat down, was the only evidence of the tempest within. He was quickly led away by the sheriff and deputy to his cell.

His attorneys state that on account of his unusual nervous condition he had decided not to make the statement and open confession he had said he would make, but they expressed the belief that he would, before the day of execution, make a statement relating all the facts concerning the murder.

Following is the full text of the warrant for execution, delivered by the court to the sheriff:

"In the circuit court of the State of Oregon, Linn county.

"State of Oregon, plaintiff, vs. Lloyd Montgomery, defendant, warrant for execution.

"In the name of the State of Oregon—To the Sheriff of Linn county, Oregon:

"Whereas, In the above named circuit court, on the 18th day of December, 1895, at the trial of the above entitled action upon an indictment charging the above named defendant, Lloyd Montgomery, of murder in the first degree, by purposely and of deliberate and premeditated malice, killing Daniel B. McKeher, in Linn county, state of Oregon, the said defendant, Lloyd Montgomery, was, by the verdict of the jury in said action, duly found guilty of murder in the first degree, as charged in said indictment; and

"Whereas, on the 19th day of December, 1895, it was by said circuit court, duly ordered and adjudged in the above entitled action, in pursuance of the indictment, trial and verdict, aforesaid, that said defendant, Lloyd Montgomery, at a time to be fixed by the warrant for his execution, be hanged by the neck until he is dead.

"Now, therefore, You, the said sheriff of Linn county, Oregon, are hereby commanded that on Friday, January 31, 1896, in the county of Linn, and state of Oregon, within the enclosure of the jail or jailyard of said county, you inflict upon said defendant, Lloyd Montgomery, the punishment of death in the manner and form provided by law by hanging him, the said Lloyd Montgomery, by the neck, until he is dead, and of this warrant make due return.

"Witness my hand and the seal of the circuit court aforesaid at Albany, Linn county, state of Oregon, this 19th day of December, A. D. 1895.

GEORGE H. BURNETT,
Judge of said circuit court.

Attest:
N. Needham, Clerk."

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After his sentence, Montgomery was visited in the jail by his grandmother and brothers and sisters. They remained with him an hour or more, but to them he said no more about the murder than he has already confessed. He broke down, and wept bitterly when he bade them good-bye. He asked his brother to send his violin to him; and afterwards said to the sheriff: "I want to have as good a time as I can while I stay with you."

The owner of a phonograph was admitted to see Montgomery, and told him if he would make a confession into the instrument he would exhibit it and pay half of the proceeds to the prisoner's brothers and sisters. The condemned boy has asked permission of the sheriff to do this.

A Young Wayfarer.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20.—Six months ago Henry Steeves, a lad with 14 years and 10 cents to his credit, left Seattle, with San Francisco as his Mecca. He reached this city Wednesday. When he reached here he inquired the way to police headquarters, and was directed to General McComb. The boy attracted the attention of the assistant secretary of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Matthew Currie, who occupies the same office with the general. He communicated with his mother, and today the young wayfarer was ticketed to Mrs. Currie's home, Rose Marie farm, near Gilroy. The boy says his mother died in Seattle four years ago, and that the stepfather, J. H. Morgan, was unkind to him, so he ran away. Tramps taught him to ride a brakebeam, and he worked his way to San Francisco.

Grant's Lecture at Eugene.

EUGENE, Dec. 20.—A decided sensation, with expressions of resentment, has been general here, provoked by the lecture of Rev. Roland D. Grant last night on the subject of "Evolution." The speaker made many assertions, such as that the theory of evolution was being taught in the university, and even made threats that state support must be withdrawn, unless the state is ready to support denominational schools. For three hours he hauled the faculty and regents without gloves.

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OREGON NEWS.

A dynamo has been placed in the workshop of the university gymnasium at Eugene, to be used for lighting purposes.

Louis Hallenbeck was held up in Woodburn Saturday morning by two footpads. He told them he had no money, but the wretch "through him" and found one ping of tobacco; only that and nothing more.

January 31, 1896, promises to be a sort of black Friday in Oregon. Besides Lloyd Montgomery, Sam G. Brown is sentenced to be hanged that day in Roseburg, for the murder of Alfred Kincaid at Oakland.

Two women evangelists, of the Free Methodist church, held meetings in Huntington recently. They received no contributions from the people, refusing all aid, saying they trusted in the Lord for an existence and had no home but Heaven.

The farmhouse of F. B. Decker, who resides on Mill creek, about 30 miles east of Eugene, was totally destroyed by fire Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Decker left home about 2 o'clock leaving a small fire in the stove, and when he returned at 4 o'clock he was just in time to see the last wall fall in. Mr. Decker lost all his clothing, furniture, etc. He is a single man. His loss will amount to fully \$600. The house was insured for \$500.

A new postoffice is to be established at Bellfountain. Its name is to be "Dusty," and the postmistress is to be Miss Helen Elgin, daughter of F. G. Elgin. The office is to be located seven miles west of Monroe, in Benton county. The original name submitted for the office to sail under was "Bellfountain," but the department declined to adopt it on account of its length, and asked that a shorter name be suggested. This gave rise to the selection of the own and original name "Dusty," says the Corvallis Times.

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