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## REPUBLIC WILL FIGHT

### Venezuelan President Raising Army

#### Garrison at Caracas Has Been Reinforced

#### British Disclaim Responsibility For Sinking Vessels

La Guayra, Dec. 11.—Reports from Caracas say that Castro is gathering an army to resist the aggressions of the allies. Two thousand men and 18 guns have been sent from Caracas to reinforce the garrison here. The men are now encamped four miles from town. Fort Laviga is being stocked with provisions and ammunition, and great preparations are being made for resistance. Castro's position seems very popular, as volunteers are offering themselves in large numbers, nearly 1000 have been armed here.

#### Germany Sunk the Ships.

London, Dec. 11.—The Central News asserts that the allies in Venezuela are attempting to capture President Castro himself. Cranborne, in the House of Commons, today took special forms in he has released all Germans not the British, sank the Venezuelan ships.

#### Fighting at La Guayra.

London, Dec. 11.—Private information received here says the Anglo-German allies have landed a force of blue-jackets and marines at La Guayra, and fighting has commenced on the streets.

#### Prisoners Released.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Under yesterday's date a cablegram was received from Minister Bowen, at Caracas, this morning, which says: "Castro informs me he has released all Germans and British who were arrested."

#### Bowen at Caracas.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Secretary of State Hay has received more confirmatory dispatches from Bowen regarding the landing of the allied forces at LaGuayra. He personally secured the release of the British consul-general, who was arrested at Caracas.

San Francisco, Dec. 11.—Steamer advices from the volcano district at Guatemala say that the Santa Maria continues in eruption. Captain Russell, of the steamer Acapulco, says the hole side of the mountain is aflame from three distinct craters. Devastation of the coffee plantations for 30 miles around continues.

#### Reports Coming Fast.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The state department is receiving numerous reports from Minister Bowen, at Caracas, but none were made public.

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## COMMITTED MURDER IN ALASKA

### Isaac Banta, Formerly of Linn County

#### Shoots His Stepson While Prospecting

#### Committed the Deed During Fit of Anger

Albany, Dec. 11.—A dispatch from Seattle says: Frederick Morrison was shot and killed at Valdes on the night of November 24th, by Isaac Banta, his foster father. The two men were living together. Banta had been on a protracted spree, and Morrison was trying to sober him up. He had to use force to prevent him from obtaining liquor. This angered Banta, and he shot the young man. Morrison's dead body was found on the floor of the cabin the next day. Banta was sleeping peacefully on a cot a few feet away.

Banta met with an accident several years ago and had a part of his skull removed, a silver plate being inserted. His brain was affected by the accident, so that he was not regarded as altogether responsible by the men who knew him. Banta is 55 years old, and Morrison was about 25. Banta practically raised the young man, and they had prospected in the Copper River country for several years. Both lived in Oregon before going to Alaska. Banta is in jail at Valdes, the coroner's jury finding that he murdered his partner. The news was brought here on the steamer Bertha, which arrived today.

Banta formerly lived in this county before going to Alaska, and is well known by all the old-timers. He came to Oregon about 20 years ago, and settled on Cedar Flat, about a dozen miles from Lebanon. While here he owned a shingle mill, and was married to a Miss Williams, daughter of Alfred Williams.

He was divorced from her about 10 years ago, after two children had been born, the husband being given the son and the wife taking charge of the daughter. Banta removed to Albany several years ago, and worked for Stewart & Sox, and Froman Bros., as gunsmith. He invented the Banta wink gold saving machine, and worked along the coast for several years, mining for flour gold in the beach sands.

He went to Alaska about four years ago, and was accompanied by his son, Guy. He was in Albany about a year ago, but went back and seemed to be prospering. He had a very excitable disposition, and several years ago, while in a quarrel with his father-in-law, Mr. Williams, shot at him with a rifle. The young man, Fred Morrison, who was murdered, was not known here, but it is thought that he was from Coos Bay, here Banta was said to have married a second time.

## Change of Pastors

Albany, Dec. 11.—Rev. H. L. Reed will preach his farewell sermon as pastor of the Presbyterian church of this city next Sunday, and on Tuesday will leave for the East, going to the home of his father, Rev. Reed, of Manchester, Vt., here he will visit until after the holidays, when he will go to Auburn, N. Y., to assume his position in the theological seminary. He has been pastor of the church here for five years, building up a splendid reputation as a preacher, pastor and citizen, and his departure will be with the regrets of everybody in Albany. Rev. McLuckie, now of Washington, Ohio, at one time pastor of the Presbyterian church, of Eugene, has been invited to supply the pulpit for five months, and it is thought will accept. Permanent arrangements have not been made.

New York, Dec. 11.—The steamer Oceanic arrived this morning, after an exceptionally stormy passage. It had on board the survivors of a sailing schooner, picked up in mid-ocean, and Carnegie and family were among the passengers.

The Brownsville opera house is to be improved, by enlarging the stage and adding new dressing rooms. New chairs are to be provided, and the building put on a new coat of paint.

## WOULD NOT TALK

### Independent Operator Refuses to Testify

#### As to Price of Coal Before the Commission

#### Breaker Boy Tells of His Hardships

Seranton, Pa., Dec. 11.—Darrow sprung a surprise this morning by calling John Crawford, an independent operator to the stand as a witness. He attempted to compel Crawford to give a statement of the prices received for coal during the strike. Crawford objected, and Judge Gray sustained him, saying that the prices under such extraordinary conditions could not be made a criterion for fixing the miners' wage scale. A 12-year-old boy was put on the stand, who said that he lost a leg in the mines, but got no pay while recovering. He returned to work, but got no money, his wages being held by the company on account of a debt incurred by his father.

## DEMOCRAT FROM COLORADO

### Wants to Assert Monroe Doctrine

#### Congress to Empower President to Arbitrate

#### Coal Commission to Be Well Provided For

Washington, Dec. 11.—In congress Schofroth, of Colorado, offered a joint resolution that whereas Venezuela is in a dispute liable to involve infringement of the Monroe doctrine, with possibilities of serious complications with the United States, the President be authorized to propose to Great Britain and Germany that their claims be submitted to arbitration, and to agree with the United States to guarantee payments of any awards made against Venezuela.

Oppose Uniting Territories.  
Washington, Dec. 11.—Senator Quay

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