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## SCHEMING TO BLOCK THE CANAL

### Columbia Advances a Move to Frustrate the Nicaraguan Ditch.

### TO OCCUPY MANGEL ISLANDS

**France Then Would be Compelled to Protect Her Interest Involved in the Panama Waterway.**

New York, Jan. 19.—A dispatch to the World from Colon, says:

Senor Zaldela, an influential senator, suggests through the press that the republic of Colombia immediately occupy the Mangel Islands at the entrance to the Nicaraguan canal, in order to obstruct the enterprise and help the Panama canal.

The Mangel Islands belong to Colombia, he contends, and if her occupancy of them should be opposed he predicts that France would be compelled to defend Colombia in order to protect French interests.

**Bridge Wrecked by a Flood.**

Cleveland, O., Jan. 19.—A entry steel bridge crossing Kingsbury Run and the tracks of the Nickel Plate railroad at Wilson avenue has been wrecked by a flood caused by the bursting of an ice dam a mile or more above the structure. The great flood of water liberated came rushing down the ravine to the culvert under the bridge. There a dam formed and the water backed up until many acres of the surrounding fields were covered. It was at first hoped that the culvert could be opened and the water let off in that way, but when the obstruction was removed, the torrent rushed through with so much force that the foundations of the bridge piers were undermined one after another.

For a time it was feared that the Nickel Plate trestle at the side of the ruin would be carried away also, but this was saved by prompt work on the part of the officials of the company.

As a result of the accident Wilson avenue, one of the great cross-town thoroughfares, will be blocked for some time to come to all but pedestrians. The bridge was about 200 feet long. It was built jointly by the city and the Nickel Plate railroad, cost about $100,000, and was opened for traffic last summer. It will cost, it is estimated, about $2,000 to repair the damage. Factories and other business places in the lower valley are in no danger from flood.

**Monastery Attacked by Wolves.**

London, Jan. 19.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Bucharest, Roumania, says that a pack of wolves emboldened by hunger, recently attacked a monastery at Lepenan in the Moldavian mountains and killed a friar.

**Brought the Glenogwen's Crew.**

New York, Jan. 19.—The Atlantic Transport line steamer Minneapolis, which arrived today from London, brought to port Captain Honeyman and twenty-two members of the crew of the British tramp steamer Glenogwen, which was abandoned at sea in a sinking condition January 3. The ship was in 42.12, longitude 24.37, while on the voyage from Philadelphia to Riga with a cargo of corn valued at $15,000. The Glenogwen left Philadelphia December 27, clearing the capes of the Delaware on the 28. Shortly afterwards the Glenogwen encountered bad weather, the wind coming out from the east and shifting to northwest with a heavy sea. On January 2 the storm increased and blew with great force, the vessel meanwhile boarded the vessel, during which Peter West, able seaman, was washed overboard and lost. On the 7th the steamer dipped her stern when an enormous wave broke over her, washing everything before it. The steamer filled rapidly. Every effort was made by the crew to clear the vessel, but without success. The pumps became choked with cargo. Fortunately, on January 12, the Atlantic Transport line steamer Minneapolis hove in sight and rescued the entire crew, consisting of twenty-three men and their mascot collier dog, and brought them to port.

**WITH AMATEUR GARDENERS.**

**National Association of America May Compete at Paris.**

New York, Jan. 19.—The Herald says: It is not unlikely that the national association of amateur oarsmen may send this year's winning 8-oared shell crew to the Paris exposition to compete in the international regatta there next year. The question is causing much discussion among oarsmen from the state of Iowa, and a committee of three, one from each congressional district in the state of Iowa, was appointed to continue the work commenced by the committee appointed by the children of the colored people of North Carolina.

**William Complimente an Artist.**

Berlin, Jan. 19.—Yesterday Emperor William and Empress Augusta Victoria visited the studio of Sculptor Herr Magnussen to see the statue of Fredericke the Great, made by the painter, Adolph Menzel, had recently kindly presked to the emperor, existing him to accept it. On entering the studio the kaiser laughingly reminded the sculptor that he himself act as a model for him when the dowager empress took her eldest children to the studio of Magnussen's father, who was also an artist. After a long silence the emperor said: "That must go into the death chamber for Sam Sam." A moment later he remarked, "The mastery of the soul over the failing body is very striking; it looks as though he wanted to lift himself up again and speak."

After studying a bust of the late Prince Bismarck Hedebou said to the sculptor, pronounced the likeness remarkable, saying: "Hundreds will stand before it and say Bismarck never looked like that, and yet—well, the only for someone."

In the course of the conversation he told the sculptor that he might well be proud of Herr Magnussen's genius, adding: "I trust entirely to his judgment." He also presented Magnussen an order for a statue in the Sieges Allee, or "avenue of victories" of the most fashionable promenade in Berlin, saying, "I shall choose a very hard theme so I see you can overcome all difficulties."

nual regatta of the association will be held. There appears to be no doubt that Boston will succeed in getting the event. The Hub oarsmen have been working hard for it. A few of the clubs, however, still favor Philadelphia, which has had it for several years.

An amendment providing for an all-comers single scull race, in which the winner can challenge last year's champions, will be brought to the attention of the delegates. If passed, it should be the cause of scrubbing a large fleet of scullers. It would exclude E. H. Tenkick, unless challenged by the winner. Under present conditions not many oarsmen would care to meet the Worcester crank. In all probability Tenkick will still continue as the undisputed American champion.

**INDORSES CZAR NICHOLAS.**

**New York State Bar Association Frames a Resolution on Peace Propositions.**

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 19.—The State Bar association at its meeting endorsed the action taken by the Czar Nicholas in convening an international congress to consider the partial reduction of the armies and navies of the world and the amelioration of the men thereof of the condition of war and the substitution so far as practicable of arbitration for war, in warmly approved and commended by the New York State Bar association and that as an evidence of our friendly relations with Russia, and in support of the proposed reforms we hereby recommend to the President as American delegates, ex-Presidents Benjamin Harrison and Grover Cleveland, and ex-Vice President Levi P. Morton, and that a certified copy of the resolution be sent to the czar."

## SHOT THE POLICE CHIEF.

### He Chased Burglars, Who Had Blown Open a Safe.

**One of the Fleeing Thieves Turns on the Officer, Inflicting a Severe Wound.**

New York, Jan. 19.—Chief of Police Crow of Somerville, N. J., was shot and perhaps fatally wounded early today while chasing a burglar. The chief was at his home when he heard an explosion. He learned that the safe in the office of Jeff & Co., Chicago avenue, had been blown open with dynamite. As Chief Crow searched the office of the company he saw a man coming out. The chief chased him for a block, when the burglar stopped suddenly and fired at Chief Crow, the bullet penetrating the lungs. The burglar then ran, pursued by the chief until the latter fell exhausted. The burglar got away.

The thieves, of whom there were three, did not have time to rifle the safe.

**No Citizenship After an Election Crime.**

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 19.—Governor Roosevelt has stated that he refused to grant an application for restoration to citizenship of a man who has served out his term in prison for connection with the Gravesend election frauds of John Y. McKane. The governor would not state the name of the applicant, but said that he did not think that a man convicted of crimes against the ballot box should be restored to citizenship for some years after he had served out his term of imprisonment.

**IMPROVE THE COLORED MEN.**

**Plans and Suggestions of the Council in North Carolina.**

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 19.—The council of the colored men of North Carolina called by Congressman George H. White and twenty other leading men of the state, was held here last night.

As was promised in the call, the meeting was "void of all political questions and discussions" and was devoted to consideration of the general conditions and future advancement of the race. A memorial to the general assembly was drafted and an address to the colored people of the state was issued. In the first they asked the legislature to continue its appropriations to the schools and charitable institutions and "not to pass any laws, the effect of which would be to blunt our aspirations, reduce our manhood and break our growing ambitions, but guarantee to us an equal chance with other men to work out our destiny."

In the address the colored people of the state are counselled "not to be hasty in making any changes in their political surroundings and plans but quietly, instead, continue to fulfill existing contracts and where necessary enter into new ones for the current year."

A committee of fifteen, one from each congressional district and six from the state at large, was appointed to continue the work commenced by the council and "advising the children of the colored people of North Carolina."

## USUAL SCARE FROM MADRID

### Mysterious Cable from Manila Received by Spaniards.

### ZEBU IS IN FULL REVOLT.

**Numerous Mohammedans are Scouring the Islands and Preaching a Holy War Against Americans.**

Madrid, Jan. 19.—The war office has received a dispatch from Gen. Rios in command of the Spanish troops in the Philippines concerning which the officials maintain the greatest reserve. The dispatch also announces the departure of Spanish troops homeward and says the situation at Manila is unchanged. Still, according to his advices the insurrection in the island of Mindanao, against the Americans, is growing rapidly. Numerous Mahommedans are there and natives are scouring the country preaching a "holy war." It is further asserted that the island of Zebu is in full revolt.

Premier Sagasta announces that the queen regent will sign a decree convening the cortes on the following day after the receipt of the news of the ratification of the treaty of peace by the United States senate.

**ANOTHER NEW GUN.**

**Construction and Test of the Largest Modern Weapon.**

New York, Jan. 19.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

Serious consideration is being given by the ordnance department of the army to a request for an allotment of $5,000 to be expended in the construction of an Ordnek gun submitted by the promoters of the Gathmann system of firing high explosives.

If the request is granted the 18-inch gun will be the largest modern weapon ever manufactured in this country. It will accommodate the bagh Gathmann shell which will contain about four hundred pounds of high explosive. The gun is to be 60 calibers in length, a single tube weapon and jacketed.

Senator Hanna is understood to have interested himself in the Gathmann system and explains that his interest lies in the fact that he is a member of the naval affairs committee of the Senate.

There will be a test of a 12-inch Gathmann shell at the Sandy Hook proving grounds Thursday. The navy department extensively tested the Gathmann system last year at the Indian Head proving grounds and Captain O'Neil decided to adopt it. Results at Sandy Hook have also been satisfactory, according to official reports.

It is intended to fire the shell from the proposed 18-inch gun with the pressures, so as not to disrupt the gun and at the same time give the projectile as easy flight.

**Aliens Excluded in British Columbia.**

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 19.—The act to prohibit aliens from owing placer mines in British Columbia has finally passed the provincial legislature and received the formal assent of the lieutenant governor. The act goes into effect at once.

**Wreck off the California Coast.**

San Francisco, Jan. 19.—From reports brought in by the steam collier Wyefield, Captain Cartmer, some unknown schooner has gone to pieces off Point Reyes, and the possibilities are that all hands were lost, as the wreck has not been recovered.

While off the point the Wyefield sailed through a floating mass of wreckage of white timbers, bulwarks, bulkhead and deck fittings that looked as though they had been a part of some small coasting schooner. The name of the ship could not be found on the timbers, nor were any bodies seen, although a vigilant lookout was maintained.

## KEELEY WAS A DECEIVER.

### So it is Claimed from an Investigation Made in Philadelphia.

**His Motor Was Operated Through Hidden Tubing—How the Secret Was Discovered.**

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.—The Press today publishes an article covering, with illustrations, over a page of space, giving the details of an investigation made by that paper of the dismantled workshop of the late John W. Keeley, which investigation, the Press contends, clearly proves the mysterious Keeley motor to have been a delusion and deception, and that the alleged mysterious forces were the result of trickery. The flooring of the workshop was taken up and a brick partition wall was removed. The Press was assisted in the work by Prof. Carl Herting, a consulting engineer of experience, Prof. Arthur W. Goodspeed, assistant professor of physics of the University of Pennsylvania, Prof. Wilmer, professor of experimental physiology at the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. M. G. Miller, who has had special training in exposition and research in the way of mound digging, and accordingly superintended all the digging operations. Clarence H. Moore, son of Mrs. Hammond Moore, was an interested spectator.

The statements in the article, which are substantiated by signed statements of the above named scientists, are to the effect that tubing was found concealed in the brickwork and under the floor of the laboratory. This, it is claimed, laid bare the deception, as the tubing is of the kind calculated to chisel high pressure, and could have been used in connection with the great steel sphere found that week in the laboratory which, the experts intimate, was used as a reservoir for compressed air or compressed gas, the latter forming an agency for the forces that moved the motor in the exhibition room. The celebration of Mr. Keeley and his friends for many years has been that no tubing of any kind was needed to work the machine. The views of Mr. Herting and Dr. Goodspeed are that the presence of the tubing and rubber indicates the use of natural forces and possible deception on the part of Keeley. In this view Clarence Moore concurs and Prof. Wilmer feels that the possibility of trickery confirms the diagnosis that some physiologists make as to the delusive character of the Keeley mystery.

**Hayward Gains Seven.**

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 19.—Hayward gained seven in the balloting for senator for today, though he is still 33 short of enough to elect. Allen's vote was decreased two on account of absence of Populist members, Walton, Hainer and Martin dropped out. The vote was as follows: Allen, 34; Hayward, 36; Webster, 18; Thompson, 5; Lamberton, 4; Field, 2; Hinshaw, 2; Dixon, 2; Weston, 2; Poe, 2; Adams, 1; Dartman, 1; Cornish, 1; Hainer, 1; Van Duzee, 1. Necessary to choice, 67.

**Dorsey is Contrite.**

Omaha, Jan. 19.—Frank M. Dorsey, formerly cashier of the failed First National bank of Ponca, Neb., was found guilty in the federal court today on 13 counts charging making false reports to the comptroller, misappropriating bank funds and other irregularities. He is a brother of ex-Congressman Geo. W. E. Dorsey, who was president of the bank and was tried and acquitted of complicity in the affairs.

**Bids for Moving Troops Wait.**

Omaha, Jan. 19.—Capt. Hardie, quartmaster of the department of the Missouri, today invited bids for the transportation of the Twenty-second infantry from Fort Crook to San Francisco en route to Manila. The bids will be opened Saturday. Four roads are invited to compete, the Burlington, Union Pacific, Rock Island and Missouri Pacific. The proposal calls for transporting 28 officers, 1,299 enlisted men, wives and families of 12 officers etc. It is stated men together with so we pounds of baggage.

## TAKING CUBAN RAILWAYS.

### Acquiring Big Properties in Havana and Santiago De Cuba.

**Electric Lines, Lighting and Power to be Supplied by American Syndicates, as Now Planned.**

New York, Jan. 19.—Colonel J. H. M. Harvey, the head of one of the several syndicates formed to acquire railroads, lighting and other valuable properties and concessions in Cuba, has returned to this city from Havana. During his stay in the Cuban capital, Colonel Harvey signed contracts purchasing the ferry which crosses the bay between Havana and Regla, and the Guanabacoa railroad, a street railway system connecting the ferry with the suburbs of Havana. These two properties formerly belonged to Colonel Harvey, who already has concession of, and in addition rights have been secured for constructing electric trolley roads in the streets of the city.

Said Colonel Harvey: "We have bought the street lighting system of Santiago subject to an examination by Mr. Parsons, our chief engineer. Santiago is now lighted with oil lamps but we purpose to erect an electric plant and double the capacity of the city's lighting power. We also have purchased a concession," Colonel Harvey said, in reply to other inquiries, "to take over and work the properties we have already acquired.

"A company will be incorporated in New Jersey capitalized at $5,000,000 and called the Havana Electric Railroad company, to operate the railroads, while the ferry will be handled over to another New Jersey corporation with a capital of $1,000,000.

"The railroads comprise a system of about fifty miles. The cars are now drawn by horses, but it is proposed to supplant this antiquated method of street transportation by electricity. Messrs. Martinell and Kearney, who until recently were commissioners for the Metropolitan company, are making a survey under the direction of Mr. Parsons, and as soon as their specifications are ready bids will be asked for equipping the lines with electrical power and putting them in operation. We expect the change completed in about a year.

"Captain Hallet A. Borrows, who drove a hackney horse in the Vanderbilt company's stable in Newport, will return there next week to take charge of the street railroads."

**Four Big Tramp Steamers Ordered.**

Cleveland, O., Jan. 19.—The Marine Review tomorrow will say:

"Within the past few days Cleveland and Detroit shipbuilders have closed contracts for four steel freight steamers, all of the very largest class. Three are to 4,000 net capacity and of about 10,000 net in capacity value.

"These four orders bring the number of new freight carriers under contract or in sight, since the first of the year, to 18, aggregate carrying capacity will be about 161,400 net tons.

"The number of vessels of all kinds now under contract in Lake shipyards is 21, and the aggregate value $11,145,000."

### ELECTRIC FLASHES.

The Fourth Ohio volunteers were paid off today and mustered out of service. They saw service and were under fire in Porto Rico.

The U. S. S. Philadelphia, with Admiral Kimberly on board, arrived at San Diego, Cal., this morning, and Acapulco, Jan. 19.—The steamer Dumbar arrived today at Victoria, B. C., from the North, four days overdue, with a large cargo of gold. She brings no passengers, several of whom are from Dawson, with good consignments of gold.

The carpenters' two-weeks' strike of the carpenter force at the Honeybrook colliery of the Lehigh & Wilkesbarre Coal Co., because of a wage disagreement, and the men at the Greenwood and Honeybrook were shut down today, throwing 2,500 men out of employment.

Col. A. J. Blackwell is dead at his home at David, O. T. He had been identified with some of the large land and railroad deals affecting Oklahoma, and has had a very eventful life. He married a rich Chickasaw girl, and he and his wife once saved the life of David Payne in Indian massacre.

The fire which destroyed the Gammeter building, New York, burned until 11 o'clock this morning, when it was finally extinguished. Three-quarters of a million of dollars is the estimate of the loss. Nearly 800 people of whom 300 are girls are temporarily thrown out of employment.

The Hamburg-American line steamer Alesia, which left Hamburg Dec. 12 for Boston, and which signalled Kinsale yesterday that her rudder was damaged and that her machinery was working very badly, has reached Queenstown in safety. The Alesia will repair and proceed to Boston.

## PUT GERMAN CONSUL OUT.

### America and British Consuls Push the Teuton Into the Street.

### GERMANBROKE AGREEMENT

**British and Americans Hold the Fort —Warships to Go to the Islands at Once.**

London, Jan. 19.—A special from Auckland, N. Z., says the British and American consuls were compelled to force the doors of the supreme court at Apia, Samoa, in which the German consul has established himself and to push him into the street.

All parties at Apia, the special dispatch continues, unite in condemning the German consul for the sighting which has taken place between the rival kings. It is pointed out that in violation of all agreements, the consul accompanied Mataafa's force, when the claimant invaded the town and encountered the opposition to Malietoa Tanisa.

When the British and American consuls were informed of the situation they adjourned the court and locked the building. The German consul then demanded the keys and they were refused him. He then broke open the doors, removed the locks and replaced them with others. He afterwards brought the German municipal president into the chamber and the latter went upon the balcony and shouted to the British and American marines assembled on the square:

"I am the supreme court. I am the chief justice." The crowd replied with jeers and the British consul demanded the keys of the building, which were refused. A Scotchman named Mackie thereupon climbed on top of the building and hoisted the American flag while the British and American consuls and a number of marines invaded the building, forced the doors open and pushed the German consul into the street.

Then the two consuls formally and legally, according to the dispatch, opened the court and issued a warning against any further interference with its jurisdiction, threatening to arrest and imprison any one attempting to do so.

Matters, the dispatch concluded, are now quiet and the German consul remains in his consulate.

WASHINGTON TAKES ACTION.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The navy department has prepared orders for the cruiser Philadelphia to proceed to Samoa at once to represent the United States interests there. The Philadelphia is due at San Diego next Sunday from Acapulco. The vessel arrived today at San Diego, U. S. S. Monitor, if the weather is quite quickly available can be found, one of Dewey's fleet, for the station. It will be ordered at once to Samoa to represent the urgent interest of the United States consul there. The commander of the Philadelphia will act in conformity with the instructions of the United States consul, and the instructions are in line with the treaty of Berlin, which the United States considers must be literally enforced with respect to Samoa. It is stated that this about sixteen days to make the run from San Diego to Apia, touching Honolulu for coal. One feature upon which the navy department is anxious is the question of a coaling station for Samoa. She left Callao on the 6th inst. and should reach Honolulu about February 4, where she will be joined by the Monitor and the dispatch boat Iroquois now at San Francisco. The big battleship Iowa is due at San Francisco just about the same date that the Oregon is due at Honolulu, so that the Pacific coast will not be left entirely without naval force.

While the attention of the public has been of late drawn from the Samoan islands to other more important subjects, it appears that interesting events have been succeeding one another with rapidity in the islands.

TREATY NEEDS AMENDMENT.

It has been realized for a long time past that there was need for modification of the terms of the tripartite treaty by which we assumed joint guardianship with England and Germany, but up to this point it has been possible to put all three of the powers in agreement on any one project. Negotiations have been urged in relation to the succession to the Samoan throne, and it is understood to lead to ill feeling at least that the German officers should resort to a coup d'etat at this stage of the negotiations. It is believed that one of the reasons why just this arbitrary action has been taken by the German president of the municipal council at Apia, was to compel the British consul, who has led to circumstance on the part of the other powers. There has been an understanding that he was to remain neutral in the matter of coaling and the supposition is that getting wind of this intention, he has prohibited a coaling station, his government could match him with orders.

Auckland is 1,600 miles distant and this lack of communication makes the situation more grave than it would be otherwise. The United States, Great Britain and Germany, it is believed, could easily reach a satisfactory solution of the crisis if they would deal with the subject themselves, in the usual course, but there is some fear of ill considered action in the part of Mataafa's people, one of these governments is known before they can receive instructions from their governments. The officers of the United States are in the hands of Mr. Lloyd W. Osborne, in whose discretion the state department reposes great confidence.

AMERICAN GOVERNMENT INSULTED.

Auckland, N. Z., Jan. 19.—Further particulars regarding the disturbance at Apia show Mataafa's followers numbered about 1,200 men and that the adherents of Malietoa Tanisa were only about 1,000. There was no battle, only fighting between the rival forces, during which several of the warriors were decapitated. The American consul issued a proclamation, claiming that the Berlin treaty had the same force as a law of Congress, and that an insult to the supreme court of Samoa is, therefore, equivalent to an insult to the government at Washington.

Wellington, N. Z., Jan. 19.—It is reported that owing to the trouble in Samoa, growing out of the election of a successor to the late King Malietoa, three British warships will proceed there and that one American warship will start for the islands from Honolulu.

**"Senator Hanna" to be a Big One.**

Cleveland, O., Jan. 19.—The big freight steamer building at the yard of the Globe Iron Works company here for the Cleveland Steamship Co., the stockholders of which are among the leading coast owners and coal operators, will be named for Senator M. A. Hanna. The Hanna will be 430 feet over all, 48 feet keel, 50 feet beam and 28 feet depth of hold. The new vessel will be completed and ready for business May 1st.

**Consolidation Rumors in Iron Trade.**

Cleveland, O., Jan. 19.—The Iron Trade Review this week says:

Consolidation rumors are still rife in the iron trade, but there has been somewhat of a pause in the last week, to permit actual developments to crystallize, the previous rumors having evolved in print. Another movement, in which promoters of the plate consolidation have a hand is now on foot, looking to the consolidation of several western steel plants. From the Bellaire Steel Co., the Ohio Steel Co. and the King, Hilbert and Warner company we have advices, each company stating that the report that its property or stock has been sold to any other company is false. The report says that the American Tin Plate co. now has 279 on mills, of which it is probable that 200 will be operated steadily.

**LOVELY FREAK.**

**Far Famed Lawson Carnation is Sold for $10,000 to a Boston Financier.**

Boston, Jan. 19.—The far-famed Lawson carnation sold for $10,000. The purchaser is Thomas H. Lawson, a banker well known in this city and New York, and is home of those who the wonderful plant was named.

Mr. Calvin, who bred the flower, announces that he has accepted the offer made by Mr. Lawson, and that in future the flower will blossom solely for the public gardens of the city of Boston, that being one of the conditions of the sale. When the beauty of the carnation first became known, Harlow N. Higginbotham, the Chicago millionaire offered $5,000 for the plant.

A little later a New York florist offered $12,000 for the flower.

**To Impeach a Direct-Line Judge.**

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 19.—A resolution has been introduced in the house of the general assembly of North Carolina looking to impeachment of W. L. Norwood, judge of the superior court, in the Twelfth judicial district on a charge of drunkenness.

A committee will be appointed to investigate the advisability of impeachment and report back to the house.

## PLUMBERS TO BE IN CLOVER

### Corps of the Knights of the Soldering-Iron to Visit Cubans.

**Finance Commission Makes Some Startling Discoveries Regarding Havana Municipal Bonds.**

New York, Jan. 19.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says:

The finance commission which is examining into the financial condition of the city discovered what seems to be an item of $ in the bonded indebtedness. The debt has been thought to consist of first mortgage municipal bonds to the amount of $7,000,000, and municipal mortgage bonds to the amount of $3,000,000. The figures today make the apparent first mortgage indebtedness $12,000,000. An inquiry will be pursued further to determine whether this is the actual indebtedness. Witnesses will be summoned under oath and much light is expected to be thrown on municipal transactions under the Spanish authorities. The vigor with which the inquiry is being pressed distresses the former officials.

The new council has decided that it will not enforce collections for municipal taxes prior to Jan. 1st and that it will not employ the Spanish bank to collect taxes which were levied under the old regime. The municipality allowed the bank to collect city taxes and withhold five per cent in the same way as the government taxes.

A determined effort is being made to have the Spanish bank's privileges of collecting for the United States revoked. The foreign merchants have so stated that they will not pay back taxes, though they will pay for the current year, on whatever agency the American military authorities direct.

The Cubans are encouraged in their opposition by the report that Minister Wilson has been instructed to remonstrate against the Spanish bank's claim to collect taxes, and by the report that the bank is being designated as a tax collector. Shares of the bank were lower on the stock exchange today, due to agitation.

The sanitary inspection of Havana began tomorrow. The city is divided into twenty-four districts and inspectors are assigned to each district. The people will be forced to clean their houses and after that a corps of plumbers will visit each dwelling. This will be the first time in the history of Havana that numbers have been connected with their tenements. The job of collecting the sewage and water rates from the streets of city has filled all institutions provided for them and additional quarters had to be found.

Navy officers are impressing on Assistant Secretary Allen the importance of the United States obtaining the coaling station which is to be reserved for the property of Spain. Carlos Ford is to command until the Madrid authorities decide what shall be done with the which were seized under the conditions advertised by the Spanish government are said to be unsatisfactory and another advertisement was issued. The highest bid was $1,000,000. Some of the Brass bidding are expected to do so with the exception of rolling the dock to the United States.

Captain Dorrance of the engineer corps has gone to Ranch Potrero with the reported purpose of arranging for a survey of Santiago. The ship is supposed to carry army officers. It has been learned that the price paid to constructors for stations at Guantanamo for Colonel Hecker's six mile military railroad is $1.19 a cubic yard and that the total excavation will be about one hundred thousand cubic yards.

Private Hayden of the Second South Carolina died in camp today from yellow fever. Small pox in the Blue Jackets does not decrease. The troops in camp are suffering over the situation, and report that the regiments are to be called home.

## SCRAMBLING FOR THE SENATORSHIP

### How the Struggle Goes On in Other States Than Utah.

### QUAY NOT MAKING ANY GAIN

**Nebraska's Vote Scattered All Around —West Virginia Steaming Hot.**

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 19.—The second joint assembly ballot resulted: Quay (Rep.), 111; George A. Jenks (Dem.), 94; John Dalzell (Rep.), 17; John Stewart, 3; Charles N. Boyer, 2; George E. Hall, 1; Alvin Markle, 1; C. F. Smith, 1; G. A. Gross, 1; Charles N. Hoy, 1; J. F. Downing, 1; E. A. Irvin, 1; Charles Tubbs, 1.

Absentees not voting, Senators John H. Brown, Republican, and Higgins, Democrat, Representatives T. M. Jennings, Democrat, B. W. Weaver, Republican. Necessary to a choice, 153 votes.

**Hot in West Virginia.**

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 19.—This is the hottest day of the senatorial contest. With the Republicans controlling the senate and the Democrats controlling the house, these two bodies are still at loggerheads and nothing is likely to be done until the contested seats are settled in both branches. At the Democratic joint senatorial caucus last night, Hon. John T. McGraw was named as the successor of Senator Faulkner, but as the contested seats are held now he will lack one vote of enough to elect. The Republican senators claim that if the house unseats any of the Republicans it will result in corresponding number of Democrats and that the Republicans will have a majority of at least one in any event on joint ballot. The Republican joint senatorial caucus for the nomination for senator will be held tonight. Commissioner Sheely and Mr. Atkinson are both confident candidates.

**Several Changes in Delaware.**

Dover, Del., Jan. 19.—The third ballot in joint session taken by the Delaware legislature at noon today for senator resulted in several changes.

Dunn dropped to fourth place, Bulla taking the third position. Dunn received 27 votes, Grant 26; Bunce 11; Bulla 15.

**No Decision in Washington.**

Olympia, Wash., Jan. 19.—The vote on U. S. senator today was as follows:

Foster 27, Wilson 27, Hunson 21, Anderson 2, Lewis (Dem.) 26, Allen 1. Necessary to a choice, 52.

**Slight Change in North Dakota.**

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 19.—The ballot for senator today resulted:

Thompson (Dem.) 14, Johnson (Rep.) 20, Marshall 17, Little 8, Lamoure 7, McCumber 7, Hanna 6, Cooper 5.

**Deadlock in California.**

Sacramento, Cal., Jan. 19.—The twenty-second ballot for U. S. senators resulted as follows:

G. Grey (Dem.) 35, Addicks (Rep.) 35, Beery (Rep.) 32, Bard (Rep.) 1, John G. Drew, 1, W. Pierce, 1, Hilas (Rep.) 2.

**Gold Dollar the Standard.**

Washington, Jan. 19.—Secretary Gage today appeared before the House committee on coinage, weights and measures to explain his view of the Dalzell bill to define and fix the standard of value and regulate coinage. This is the bill with which the advocates of currency reform propose to supplement the currency bill of the banking and currency committee and which makes the gold dollar the standard of value. Secretary Gage gave his general approval to the measure but took strong exception to section 10, which proposes to assess one-quarter of one per cent tax annually upon the capital, surplus and undivided profits of national banks.

**Settled a Miner's Troubles.**

Leavenworth, Kan., Jan. 19.—The mine owners and strikers of the North Leavenworth shaft, where 250 men are idle, have agreed, to have settled differences by arbitration. The officers of the Home & Riverside shafts have announced that they would grant the same terms and the strike is over.

**Grandma's Lucky Housekeeper.**

Kansas City, Jan. 19.—The Journal today says:

In a few days the $10,000 estate of Charles Grandison Hopkins, who died in this city in October, 1898, will be divided among Thomas M. Hart, the confidential agent, Harriet E. Calvert, the house keeper, and the Hopkins heirs. A compromise has been reached and the contest suit brought by the relatives will be dismissed. By the terms of the compromise, as by the will, Mr. Hart and Miss Calvert will receive the bulk of the estate.

Hopkins left his property to Hart, who was his business and legal agent for up a few years, and to Miss Calvert, with whom he had boarded neither a relative excluding his relatives. With the exception of a small amount of money with the case court of the estate, Hopkins died without wife or child.

Hart will receive about $200,000 and Miss Calvert about $10,000.

**Philadelphia Democrats.**

Philadelphia, Jan. 19.—The Democratic city convention today named Dr. Horace Brookins for mayor, Frank R. Shallick for city solicitor and John A. Thouston for magistrate. The election will be held February 21st. The Democratic party is divided into the Brosi and Dougherty factions. The former controlled the convention and nominated the entire Democratic ticket, headed by Samuel Ashbridge. It is expected to carry the city by a large majority, the minority by law is entitled to one judge. This ordinarily would be the Thouston's election, but the other Democratic faction, it is declared will nominate James E. Gorman, the present incumbent.