

MEXICAN CONGRESS

KWANGSI REBELS. Besiege Lin Chow After Defeating Imperial Troops.

Reference to Award in Plus Fund Case.

COUNTRY MAKES PROGRESS.

Industry Doing Splendidly—Many Miles of Railways Built—Adjusting the Silver Question.

President Diaz's message at the opening of congress speaking of the decision against the Hague tribunal in the case of the Plus fund said that although the decision was adverse to the United States it was peaceful and would lead to a settlement of international questions.

Mountain industry continues making progress. New mining titles have been granted to the number of the first half of the current year and four metallurgical establishments have been contracted for.

During the past six months the railroads in the country have increased 46 kilometers and the total length of the railroads of the country now 17,750 kilometers.

Monetary Commissioners Chosen. Washington, April 1.—The selection of commissioners to the international monetary conference which is to fix the ratio between gold and silver for commercial purposes will be announced as soon as Secretary Shaw returns to Washington.

Rhodesia Will be at St. Louis. St. Louis, Mo., April 2.—Rhodesia has accepted an invitation to participate in the world's fair.

ORGANIZATION OF NATIONAL BANKS

Comptroller of Currency Issues a Statement.

THEY NUMBER NOW 4,869.

Authorized Stock \$739,789,659—Bank Note Circulation—Public Debt—Coinage for March.

Washington, April 1.—The following statement in regard to the organization of national banks since the passage of the act of March 15, 1900, has been issued from the office of the comptroller of the currency:

At the close of March, 1903, the law in relation to the organization of banks with minimum capital of \$25,000 has been in operation three years and 17 days. During that period there have been added to the national banking system 1,442 associations, with aggregate capital stock of \$96,135,500.

During the month (March) 56 national banks were organized, with capital stocks of \$2,170,900 and bond deposits of \$642,550.

On March 31, 1903, the number of national banks was 4,869 and their authorized stock was \$739,789,659.

The amount of bonds on deposit as security for circulation has increased since March 14, 1900, from \$244,611,579 to \$342,160,770, or an increase of \$97,549,200.

The circulation based on United States bonds was \$338,345,814, an increase for the year of \$29,839,432 and a decrease for the month of \$315,507.

The circulation secured by lawful money aggregated \$44,159,444, an increase for the year of \$4,159,419, and an increase for the month of \$430,960.

The amount of United States registered bonds on deposit to secure circulating notes was \$342,160,770, and the amount of state and city bonds on deposit to secure public deposits was \$18,154,900.

PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT. Washington, April 1.—The monthly statement of public debt shows that at the close of business March 31, 1903,

UNION PACIFIC'S REPLY TO KEENE

E. H. Harriman Files Very Interesting Affidavits.

SOME THREATS OF THE POOL

Keene Crowd Threatened to Make Trouble Unless Dividends or Purchase Were Forthcoming.

New York, April 1.—The affidavits in the answer of the Southern Pacific company to the suit of Talbot, Taylor & Co. against the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific, deny that the Southern Pacific is operated in the interest of the Union Pacific.

WHAT HARRIMAN SAYS. E. H. Harriman's affidavit denies that any of the expenditures for improvements of the Southern Pacific complained of were prompted by consideration of the Union Pacific.

Keene's Little Scheme. Mr. Harriman then relates that in the autumn of 1901 Edward Lauterbach introduced David Lamar to him.

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INSTRUCTIONS TO FAVOR THE UNION PACIFIC

OTTO KUHN'S STATEMENT.

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INCREASE IN EARNINGS.

William Mahl, the comptroller, filed an affidavit, appended to which are tables showing earnings, expenditures, and the different lines since the Union Pacific's interest was acquired, as compared with the previous years.

KEENE GETS A WIRE. James R. Keene, who is confined to his room at the Waldorf-Astoria, made public tonight the following telegram sent him by Edward Lauterbach, his counsel, who is in New York.

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Big Price for a Calf. Utica, N. Y., April 2.—Henry Stevens of Lonsdale, N. Y. has paid \$100 for a nine weeks' old bull calf.

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