

## SPIRITED DEBATE ON PANAMA REPUBLIC.

Administration Severely Criticised For Recognizing it, and in Turn Vigorously Defended.

### PRESIDENT NOT PRECIPITATE.

American People so Bent on Having a Canal, Said Mr. Hitt, That the Game Was Easy.

Washington, Dec. 11.—The birth of the republic of Panama and its recognition by this government was the subject of a spirited debate in the house today. Mr. Dinsmore (Dem., Ark.), during the consideration of the pensions appropriation bill, severely criticised the administration in connection with the canal, and Mr. Hitt (Rep., Ill.), chairman of the foreign affairs committee, replied in a vigorous defense of the president and his Central American policy. Mr. Van Voorhies (Rep., O.) of the appropriations committee made a statement concerning the provisions of the bill, when the debate degenerated to Panama.

Mr. Hitt said there was nothing but or unique in the recognition of the new republic, as it occurred five days after the promulgation of the independence of the republic. He made a vigorous defense of the administration in connection with the republic of Panama. The president, said Mr. Hitt, had not been precipitate, but had waited a reasonable time. "But," he added, "he did not waste time—he never does."

"Ordinarily," Mr. Hitt went on, "when a ship is in port and a disturbance occurs, we land troops to protect Americans from being killed or robbed. We have done that in France, and we would do it anywhere."

In the case of Panama the situation was different. Often we were called by the Colombian government, either by event, to enforce the obligation to keep that path open from sea to sea, not to aid nor suppress rebellion, but to keep the path open; and when we landed troops at Colon their duty under the treaty was plain to let no armed men or cause disturb the open, free course of commerce or of movement in the pathway across the isthmus.

After reviewing the history of the act of Congress and the negotiations with Colombia and the sending of a treaty to Bogotá, Mr. Hitt said the people of the United States were so bent on having a canal on the isthmus that the game was easy. They had no millions, but twenty would be better, and Colombian papers had charged with the power to hold out for great sums of Yankee money.

The one purpose that has been effected," said Mr. Hitt, "is one that had been voted for in this body and has governed the action of our government is the one that every good American sympathizes with, not apologetic for the conduct of our government in following the precedents of its past history, and we are proud that we have a president that did not wait ten years. The whole world, he said, has been in favor of a canal, and added Mr. Hitt, we have got the man to work who will cut it through.

Following the spirit of the treaty, the state department, the president, while waiting a reasonable time, found that the will of Congress should be carried out, and he would not submit to the blackmail which was tried to be imposed upon the people of the United States owing to the rapacity of a band of men who abused their authority. It is not in the spirit of our people. When the open highway of humanity is met by the clenched fist of malice and greed, the Yankee knows how to stop that business.

Mr. Williams said that virtually it had been confessed that if Colombia have to land a soldier in the new-born republic of Panama—"born with the birth foreseen and aided," as I believe, from Paris and from Washington—the United States will treat it as an act of war."

There was one fact that could not be gotten around and that was the matter of the birth of the new republic. Continuing, Mr. Williams said: "If the Democratic party and a few Republicans have not hedged up and found this government in the two new freedoms and independence, you would have treated Cuba as you treat the Philippines. As to the new republic of Panama, I am satisfied that the most deliberate, long-reviewed, well thought-out project ever completed or ever thought of since the world began was the birth of Panama and our connection with it."

After some further remarks on the same line, Mr. Williams closed as follows:

### USEFUL DISCOVERIES

Are Not Always Startling, Neither Do They Create the Most Talk.

It is not always the greatest, most startling discoveries of science that are most useful to the human race. Comparatively few people were directly interested in Herschel's finding of the new planet Uranus, but many thousands have been benefited by Prof. Huggins' experiments, which proved beyond a question that dandruff and baldness are the results of the inroads of a parasitic germ which invades the roots of the hair.

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## MAY INVESTGATE COLORADO STRIKE

### Bennett Will Case.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 11.—Counsel for Mrs. Bennett, today filed a long statement of the reasons for the appeal recently taken from the decision of Probate Judge Cleveland in relation to Mr. Bennett's will. In the statement notice of appeal it was briefly announced that objection would be taken to all of the bequests in the will providing for the fund for educational purposes to be administered by Mr. William Bryan, and also to the appointment of Mr. Bryan as executor and trustee. The document continues:

"The writing addressed to this appellant, the wife of Mr. Bennett, did not state the real and true arrangement which Mr. and Mrs. Bryan had induced Mr. Bennett to enter into with them. The fact that the children of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan are to receive \$15,000 of Mr. Bennett's money was not stated, but, on the contrary, the writing addressed to the widow expressly stated that if William J. Bryan for any reason is unwilling to receive that sum for himself that he shall distribute the \$15,000 among educational and charitable institutions, while not truth and fact and in law the letter addressed to Mr. Bryan constituted him a trustee for his wife and children, and the sum of \$25,000 if received by Mr. Bryan would belong to his wife and children, all of which Mr. Bryan and his wife well knew.

"Allegations of undue influence are made concerning all the clauses appealed from."

### Colorado Roads Buying Coal.

Pittsburg, Kan., Dec. 11.—Representatives of several Colorado railroads and other western concerns have lately been in this district contracting for coal. A strict watch is being kept, however, by the local union officials on the coal going west from this district, and the miners, it is said, are making special efforts to prevent the Colorado Fuel & Iron company and the Victor Fuel company, and other coal companies which are being fought in Colorado by the United Mine Workers of America, from securing coal.

### Private Tully Must Hang.

Missoula, Mont., Dec. 11.—Private Tully, colored, stationed at Ft. Missoula, was found guilty this afternoon of the murder of Thomas Kennedy, a brother private, also colored, the penalty for which is death by hanging. Tully deliberately waylaid and shot Kennedy as the result of a quarrel. His plea was that he had intended to wound Kennedy in the leg, but had shot too high.

### REVOLVERS FOUND.

#### Were Stolen from the Chicago Car Barns.

Denver, Dec. 11.—Two revolvers which were stolen from the Chicago car barns the night Francis W. Stewart and James B. Johnson were murdered have been recovered in Denver pawnshops, and two pawnbrokers have identified the picture of Peter Neidermeier as that of the man who sold them the weapons.

### May Subpoena Gen. Wood.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Senator Hanna has decided to request the senate committee on military affairs to subpoena Gen. Wood to answer some of the charges made against him by opponents of his confirmation as major general. The committee expected to close its hearing Dec. 16, but it is now believed that at least two more weeks will be required. Should Gen. Wood be subpoenaed an adjournment will be taken to give him time to return from the Philippines.

### Turkey Files Explanation.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Cheikh Bey, the Turkish minister here, today filed with the state department an explanation from the minister of foreign affairs of Turkey of the Alexandretta affair, stating in effect that United States Consul Davis sought to procure the illegal emigration of a Turkish subject, and failing in this attacked and beat the Turkish police, and then took the steamer. The state department has had partial advice from Minister Leishman and is awaiting the completion of his investigation.

### Heinze Cited for Contempt.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 11.—Acting in chambers in the United States court this morning, Judge Knowles made an order citing the Montana Ore Purchasing company, the Johnstown Mining company, F. Augustus Heinze, J. H. Trevis and Alfred Frank for contempt, in the matter of allowing an inspection of the Michael De Witt mine in Butte. The citation requires the parties named to appear before the court in Helena on Dec. 16. Judge Beatty of the United States circuit court of Idaho will hear the case in the place of Judge Knowles.

There are two cases, one for refusing to allow the representatives of the Boston & Montana to go down into the mine, and the other for the alleged blowing up of the slopes on the 700 level of the mine, so as to interfere with the inspection.

### Dissension in Portuguese Cabinet.

New York, Dec. 12.—Grave dissensions have arisen in the Portuguese cabinet, according to a Herald dispatch from Lisbon. A crisis in the ministry has been latent for some months and is expected to manifest itself openly upon the return, about Jan. 1, of Don Carlos from Vila Viçosa.

The state of health of Luciano De Castro, chief of the Progressists, or Liberal party, and his advanced age make it impossible for him to extend the idea of putting himself again at the head of a ministry, a task which will therefore in all probability fall to Vloga Belrao, of the same party, who is considered an able minister among the younger element.

### SWINDLED THE LAWYERS.

#### Got Them to Accept Checks As Retainers and Got Cash for Balance

New York, Dec. 12.—A prosperous looking man giving the name of Gottman and bearing with him a touching tale of domestic infelicity, has found a profitable field for the accumulation of ready money among the shrewd lawyers of the east side. These men of legal gift are said to have shown great willingness to part with sums ranging up to \$20 in exchange for bad checks and refrained from making the tale public until some one told it to his partner as a joke. The reports of Gottman's operations came from many leading law offices along East Broadway, showing that the swindler had been acting for several weeks on the same plan.

Gottman's scheme was to visit a lawyer and retain him in an action for divorce, after telling of his troubles at home. As a retainer he offered an apparently good check for \$100 and asked for cash, which always was forthcoming in cash. Gottman never came back but the checks always did and they were cancelled as being worthless by the bank.

Gottman has not been apprehended. He is supposed to have secured a large sum before the swindle was exposed.

### Patterson Introduces a Resolution

Directing Judiciary Committee To Make an Inquiry.

### COURTS RENDERED POWERLESS

By Reason of the Doings of Gov. Peabody—Wrongs Committed Against Them by Military.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Patterson today introduced a resolution directing the committee on judiciary to investigate the strike among the metalliferous miners of Cripple Creek and Telluride, Colo. The resolution was preceded by a long preamble, giving an outline of the history of the strike and of the declaration of martial law by the governor of the state and the establishment of a press censorship. The preamble closes in the following language:

Whereas, By reason of doings and attitude of the governor of said state, the courts of said state have been rendered powerless to relieve its citizens of the wrongs and outrages committed against them by the military authorities of the state and to protect the citizens hereof in all or any of their constitutional rights, and

Whereas, The legislature of the state cannot convene until 1904, unless the governor may call it in extraordinary session, which he has repeatedly said he would not do, and by reason of the inability of the courts of the state to enforce due process of law for the relief of citizens from military outrage and misrule, and because the legislature cannot convene for more than a year from the present time, and as to proper remedial legislation, and the government of the state is wholly, by reason of the arbitrary and unconstitutional action of the governor of the state at his mercy and under his control, and

Whereas, The Constitution of the United States guarantees to each state a republican form of government, Resolved, That the judiciary committee be and hereby is directed to make investigation of all matters connected with existing labor strikes in the state of Colorado, and as to the manner in which the same have been conducted, and as to the conduct of the governor of the state in the use of the military in the counties in which said strikes exist as to whether or not there is at present a republican form of government in said state and in the several counties thereof, and what, if any, legislation may be necessary and proper to maintain such form of republican government and to this end said committee may appoint a subcommittee to visit said Colorado and take the testimony, with such powers as to command the attendance of witnesses and the employment of clerks and stenographers as shall be the senate be conferred.

### GOODWIN'S NARROW ESCAPE

Thrown from an Automobile and Seriously Injured.

New York, Dec. 12.—N. C. Goodwin, the comedian, has narrowly escaped death in an automobile accident on the Brooklyn bridge. He was thrown from the machine, struck against the railing and fell back into the roadway. An artery in his head was severed and only his presence of mind in throwing one arm out saved him from probable death in the East river. Mr. Goodwin was in the city to perform in an automobile, which had almost reached the Brooklyn tower when it began to cavort. Suddenly the machine crashed into the side of the roadway and the actor was sent flying upward and out of the open door.

His head struck the iron railing at the top of the bridge, and though almost stunned, he saved himself from going over. The chauffeur was knocked from his seat and lay still in the road, while many people jumped from the passing trolley cars and ran to the scene. The wounded actor was taken to the Brooklyn end of the bridge, blood streaming from the wounds in his head. An ambulance surgeon hurriedly summoned, staunching the flows, sewed the cut over the temple. Mr. Goodwin was able to proceed to the theater and proceed with the second act of his play. It was found later that a break in the running gear had caused the trouble with the automobile. The chauffeur was cut seriously in the hand.

### Gamblers' Bondsmen Discharged.

New York, Dec. 12.—Because of an insufficiency of evidence, the district attorney has consented to the discharge of the bondsmen from further responsibility in the case of 12 men who are under indictment for maintaining and conducting gambling places or pool rooms in this city. Many other cases probably will fall in the same way. Most of those freed from trial were arrested in last winter's sensational raid by county detectives.

### Anti Straw Bondsmen Crusade.

New York, Dec. 12.—A crusade against straw bondsmen has been inaugurated by the county authorities here and strong efforts will be made to put an end to their lucrative practices about the city station houses. As a result, wholesale arrests are expected within a few days.

The investigation thus far has led the assistant district attorney, who has charge of the matter, to believe that the bondsmen have formed an organization to carry on their dealings to better advantage. One arrest just made disclosed that the prisoner went on the bonds of 154 persons at one police station in the course of nine months and that the prisoner had been previously owned by a woman with whom he was acquainted. He was sent to jail under charge of perjury.

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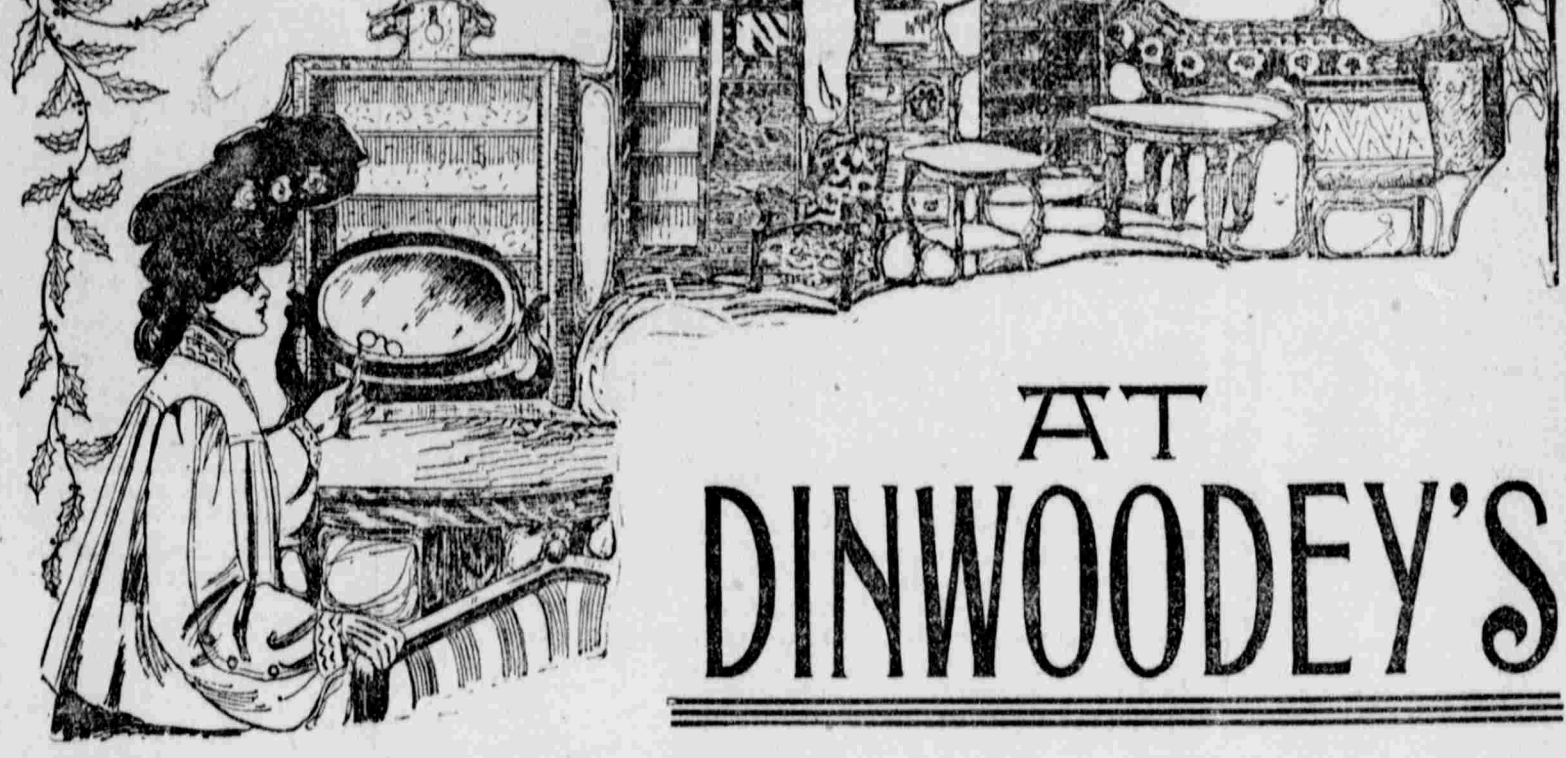
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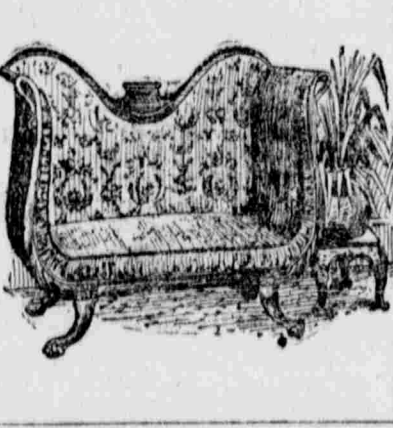
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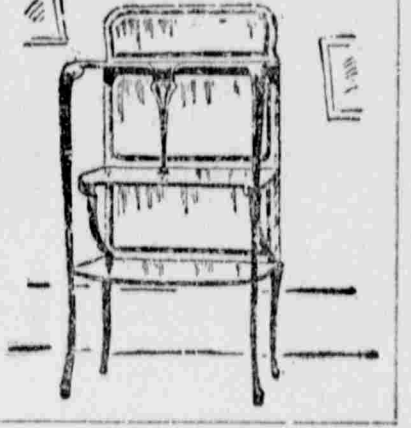
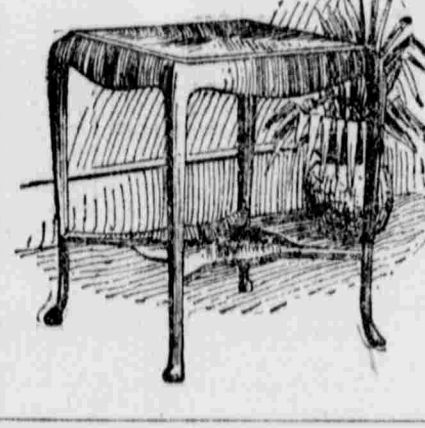
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