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# HANNA IN A TIGHT PLACE

# Unable to Make Any Progress Against the Combine.

PROSPECTS OF

## His Downfall Assured From Present Outlook.

A Rally Against Governor Bushnell. A Delegation From His Home Upbraids the Governor -- Marched With a Band luto His Office in Columbus. Weaver, the Spokesman, Accuses Him of Treachery to His Party. The Governor Resents Dictation. An Extraordinary Demonstration.

Columbus, O., Jan. 4.-The political future of Senator Hanna is certainly side, tonight in a closely poised balance. While there are now reported to be only nine dissenters among the eighty Republican members, one in the senate and eight in the house, yet the really doubtful list is limited to two or three. Some of the dissenting Republicans are not likely ever to be reconciled to Senator Hanna. They have burned their bridges behind them and openly admit

Representatives Griffiths, of Union, and Joyce, of Gurnsey, who voted with the combine on the organization of the house, stated today that they would vote for Senator Hanna.

This gives Hanna 54 in the house and 17 in the senate, a total of 71, or two short of the necesary majority. Droste for speaker, announced at the time that he would support Jeptha Gerrard, the net gain for Hanna to date over the vote on the organization, is only to get votes of Scott, of Fulton, and Rulan, of Carroll, who are instucted for Hanta but voted with the combine

on the organization. On the other hand, the combine manremain with them to the finish and that they expect to get Snyder, of Greene. Redkey, of Highland, who voted cuses on either side. for Boxwell for speaker.

The doubtful members are being ofand given opportunity to make all other selections they want. The power of the organization of the house is certainly being used to the greatest pos- ters sible advantage, and its influence is not to be underestimated in connection with the support of the state administration. While Mr. Kurtz and his associates will make no statements, yet they are holding back the appointments on the committees and other patronage in anticipation of gaining several votes on the senatorial ballot.

# COMBINE HIS TROUBLE

In holding their men in line, the combine is having trouble with some of the sixty-five Democratic members. It is believed that Mayor McKisson will give way to Mr. Kurtz for the short term for senator, while Governor Bushnell has all along been regarded as the candidate for the long term. Representatives Wiley, of Wayne: Powell of Morrow; Niles, of Lucas, and other radical free silver Democrats are not satisfied with Kurtz and Bushnell. and if they are to vote for Republicans they want pronounced silver records like that of Gerrard and others that are named. Some of the Democratic members insist that the breach so wide and deep now between the Republicans that John R. McLean or some other free silver Democrat could be elected over Hanna.

The announcement today by the Re publicans that they would have no or at any time previous to the balloting for senator, will compel all to continue in this guerilla warfare for another week, but with the result depending on the action of two or three doubtful members, neither side could show its hand without exposing the recruits or the deserters to a terrific fire for at least a week.

The senate and the house will ballot separately next Tuesday for senator, The senate will stand 19 to 17 against Hanna by Senator Burke voting with the Democrats. The house on Monday It is now 55 to 54 stood 56 to 53. against Hanna. This will settle the contest if the combine in both houses can concentrate on any one candidate questioned." against Hanna, and when the two houses meet on the following day, Wednesday, Jan. 12, to canvass in joint assembly the vote of the previous day as cast by each branch separately, there would be nothing to do except to announce the total result of 74 to 71 against Hanna. But if Senator Hanna has not a majority a week hence, it is doubtful whether any opponent will have it, and the general prediction is for a deadlock. In the event that the balloting next Tuesday does not show a majority for any one the general assembly will proceed on the next day to ballot in joint assembly and continue to do so until there is an election. The balloting a week hence may not do any more than to compel the contestants to show their names on roll call, and after that the same fight may be continued for an indefinite period,

# HANNA'S CONDITION

"The combine" tonight is charging that Senator Hanna is in such desperate straits as to be forced "to swap horses while crossing the stream," ow ing to the Republicans deciding to hold no caucus. They also charge that he been an ex-senator since the legislature met yesterday. As Senator Hanna was appointed when Secretary

ticle 2, section 2, of the statute is be-

"If vacancies (in the senate) happen by resignation or otherwise, during the recess of the legislature of any state the executive thereof may make tem-porary appointments until the next meeting of the legislature, which shall then fill such vacancies."

While this talk about Ohio now hav ing only one senator proceeds, the Hanna men explain that they want the same action now as was accorde Senator Foraker two years ago. Foraker had been endorsed at the Zanesville state convention in 1894 for sena tor and was elected without any caucus or any Republican opposition in the legislature. The Hanna men say they are that the same "courtesy and loyalty" row prevail. The plank in the Republican state platform adopted at Toledo last June is being freely cited.

THANKS OF THE PEOPLE. The thanks of the people of this state are due to Senators Foraker and Hanna for their splendid efforts during the pres-ent session of congress and we congrat-

n the United States senate. Desiring to continue such representaion, and appreciating his services to the notion, and appreciating his services to the party and to the people of the state and notion, and his eminent fitness for the position, we indorse the candidacy of Hon. Marcus A. Hanna for United States senator to succeed himself, and pledge the support of the party in the next general assembly to his election to both the short and the long terms.

ulate the people on their representation

Quite a surprise was created by the announcement that the Hanna men had changed their plan of a joint senatorial Republican caucus tomorrow night and that the fight will go on without any caucus decrees on either

The following was given out this afternoon by the Republican steering committee:

The sentiment of the house and senate as expressed to the chairmen of the two Republican caucusses, is that it is unnec-The universal expression is that, as Mr. Hanna had been endorsed by the Toledo convention and by the county conventions of the state, and was nominated by the people in their primary capacity at the polis, it is more respectful to their con-stituents to accept their action as conclusive, in accordance with the precedent of two years ago, than to supplement it by a formal nomination of their own. No

#### AT HEADQUARTERS.

caucus, therefore, will be called.

At the Hanna headquarters the announcement was received with apparof Hamilton, who voted for Boxwell ent satisfaction. Messrs. Dick, Nash, Grosvenor, Brigham and all of those close to the senator, approved of the a silver Republican, for senator, so that action of the Republican members of the legislature in withdrawing the caucus call and simply standing on the one. The Hanna men say they expect plank for Hanna in the last Republican state platform.

It is evident that the Hanna men will not compromise on Secretary Sherman. Assistant Secretary Day, or any other man, and that they not show either agers say that Scott and Rulan will their strength or weakness until the balloting begir next week. There will be daily conferences but no more cau-

All the senators on the Republican side were glad their joint caucus for conight had been declared off. the Democratic senators insisted that it was a confession of weakness or lack of confidence at the Hanna headquar-

Foraker was elected senator two years ago on the endorsement of the Zanesville state convention and without any caucus, and it is proposed, Republican senators say, to elect Senator Hanna on the endorsement of the

Toledo state convention. The delegation of 350 arrived today from Springfield, Governor Bushnell's home, and called on him. Congressman Weaver, who was spokesman, said

to the executive: Certain persons who claim to be Republicans are endeavoring to thwart Mr. Hanna's candidacy, but we cannot believe that you are one of these, that you are unloyal. For you to do this would be a political blunder if not a political crime. Hence we call to ask you have done what is charged against you

Following this, Congressman Weaver's remarks were in the nature of an appeal to the governor to not permit the Republican party to go down to defeat by the election of any other man for senator except Marcus A. Hanna.

GOV. BUSHNELL EMOTIONAL. Governor Bushnell showed much emotion in his response. He referred to the fact that the representatives and senators from Clark county are strong adherents of Hanna, while three-fourths of the Cuvahoga county joint senatorial caucus tomorrow night delegation are for him. He said he had been misunderstood and misrepresented in the present controversy and charged that it was not true that he had attended a Democratic conference

to defeat Hanna. He said he did not know that such a conference had been held. He expressed the belief that the members of the house and senate should settle the question of a senator and that all others should remain out of the fight.

"But this," he said, "cannot be, as i is a free country, and as long as the people behave they have a right to be there. But all people have their preferences and prejudices. Until today my Republicanism has never been

Hisses and groans, mingled with cheers, greeted this statement, and Governor Bushnell raised his hand to quiet the assemblage.

"It is by your suffrage that I am in this high office. Now, if you have no respect for me, for God's sake have respect for the office."

"Have you taken any action for a andidate, governor?" inquired one of the delegation. "I have no vote in the legislature."

Continuing, Governor Bushnell said: "I discharged my duty last sprie: when I appointed Mr. Hanna United States senator. Now the members of he legislature must discharge theirs." Late tonight the Hanna managers lost the two doubtful members that they had gained today so that there is now no material change from that of yesterday when the licuse stood 56 to 3 against Hanna. This would give the senator only 70 votes on joint bal-

lot, or three less than enough to elect

Mining Strike. Brazil, Ind., Jan. 4.—Two hundred miners employed at No. 8, Brazil Block Coal company's mine, inaugurated a strike to-day because the bank boss allowed three drivers to work who had not settled their Sherman went into the cabinet, ar- last month.

# SEVERE CHECK

ON ARBITRATION As Usual the American Gets the Worst of the Bargain.

OBERLANDER AND MESSENGER CASE

Senor Quesando, the Arbitrator, of Law-- The Decision Is Without Mills

Washington, Jan. 4.-The cause of arbitration in the settlement of claims between nations has received a severe check in the award by the arbitrator in the case of Oberlander and Messenger, who claimed \$50,000 and \$25,000 respectively fer ill treatment by the Mexican authorities. The arbitrator was the Argentine minister at Madrid, Senor Quesada, and his decision was in favor of the Mexican government and against the American claimants. The discouraging feature of the decision is that in awarding the arbitrator apparently overlooked every point of law according to English standards and decided the case with reference to his sympathies.

It is said that a more extraordinary pinion than this from a legal point of view was never seen at the state department. Oberlander was a deputy sheriff in California, and he was kidnapped and taken across the border by Mexican officers, Mrs. Messenger, in whose house he had taken refuge, was ill treated.

When it came to rendering his decision, the arbitrator, it is said, ignored the facts and reasoned that because the United States government had not recognized the rights of the Chinese government to indemnity for the killing of Chinese at Rock Springs, Wyo., while insisting upon indemnity for losses sustained by American missionaries in China, we could not expect to have an indemnity awarded our citizens in such cases as this.

This peculiar lack of legal perception is said at the department to be almost without a parallel in the history of arbitrations, and has undoubtedly done much to prevent the submission of other claims to arbitration uness it first can be learned that the arbitrator is familiar with the principles of common law according to the English standard.

## NO NEED FOR ACTION.

President's Assurance to Members of Congress Concerning Cuba -- Believes the Perplexing Question is Working Itself Out.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.- The president is taking occasion to assure members of congress that he does not think there is any need for action by the legislative branch of the government regarding Cuba. He told a Western member two days ago that the Cuban question seemed to be working itself out; that he did not expect to advise any legislation, and that he did not think the United States should do anything at this time beyond the relief work. Upon that subject he manifested the greatest interest. He expressed the hope and the respond with their accustomed generos-

Members of congress who have seen the president within the past week have noted a feeling of strong hopefulness on his part that the war will not be of much longer duration. The president does not tell what he thinks the outcome is to be, but he shows that he believes the solution is not far off. He takes a more sanguine view than at any previous time since his inauguration. Of one thing he seems to be wholly confident, and that is that the danger of an open rupture between this government and Spain has gone by. He makes no concealment of his satisfaction that all indications point to a rapidly approaching end of the war without involving this government in serious complications.

# DUELS WITH SWORDS.

#### Members of the Hungarian Parliament Slash Each Other.

Buda Pest, Jan. 4.-Two duels with swords were fought here today, arising out of insults exchanged during the recent debates in the lower house of the

Hungarian parliament.

Count Stefan Tisza wounded Herr Ludwig Olay, and Herr Edmund Garjary wounded Herr Stefan Rayovsky. In both cases the wounds are serious. Herren Tisza and Garjary received flesh wounds

# Warning to Treasurers.

Washinginton, Jan. 4.-United States Treasurer Roberts today sent the following telegram to all assistant treasurers compels retirement of all \$100 silver certificates. Forward all such notes to this office for destruction. Be cautious in receiving denomination and kind men-

# Saloonkeeper Killed.

Chicago, Jan. 4.-The crusade in Chicago against gambling resulted today in a tragedy. Henry Maehl, a saloonkeeper at Clark and Van Buren streets, died this afternoon as the result of injuries received while resisting constables who were making a raid on his place of busi-

# Rivierre is Dissatisfied.

Paris, Jan. 4.-Rivierre, the French wheelman, has written to a cycling pawheelman, has written to a cycling pa-per that his American competitors in the six-day race at Madison Square Garden had recourse to every foul tricks to prevent the Frenchmen from finishing. The managers of the race deny his state-

Detective to Re Hauged. New York, Jan. 4.-Edward Clifford, a former West Shore railroad detective, was sentenced in Jersey City today to be hanged Feb. 16 next for the murder of William Watson, a division superin-tendent of the West Shore road on March 5, 1895, at Weehawken.

## WHEAT IN THE FLAMES.

Two Warehouses in California and Their Contents Destroyed by Fire. Stockton, Cal., Jan. 4 .- At 12.10 o'clock this morning fire was discovered in ware-house No. 5 of the Farmers' Union and Milling company, and before the department could respond the flames were be-yond control. It is estimated that 10,000 tons of wheat and a large quantity of barley and rye were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$500,000.

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Against the Americans and Appare ment company and the Eureka or Crown Mills warehouse, which were separated from No. 6 by a fire wall only. The warehouses were well filled with grain, for both the Union and its clients have been among those who were waiting for the price of wheat to advance.

The steamship Ellen and the barge Cricket were lying alongside warehouse No. 6, being loaded. They were towed out of danger.

The fire burned for hours in the great

piles of wheat, which in places were as high almost as the warehouses them-selves. It is likely to continue to smoulder for days.

VICTIMS OF THE

## The Investigation Liable to Bring Unpleasant Results -- Architects Who Will Testify That the Building

Was Unsafe. London, Ont., Jan. 4.-The coroner's inquest into last night's city hall horror, when twenty-five persons were killed and thirty-five injured by the collapse of a

floor; during a solitical mass meeting, was begun this to woom. The proceed-ings were pure, or brmal. One of the bodys was viewed by the jury as a legal pre-requisite to the in-jury, and toe adjournment was made. The whole point of the inquest will turn on the liability of the city to the rela-tives and friends of the deceased. A number of local architects will testify that the building was unsafe and should have been condemned. This will be the basis of the claims that will be made against

the city.

Mayor-elect Wilson is more seriously hurt than he permitted his friends to observe last night, when he worked until nearly 1 o'clock among the wounded. He visited both hospitals, and with the oth-er doctors, did all in his power to relieve the sufferers, although he himself was ceived. His left side was badly bruised and cut, and so, too, were his arms, legs and back. He is now confined to bed. suffering greatly from the wounds he re-

Alderman-elect Cooper is reported to be in a serious condition, being injured in-A meeting of the city council was held

this evening, when measures were taken to relieve any temporary anancial dis-tress caused by the accident, and to see that all funeral arrangements are ried out in a proper manner, the city guaranteeing all expenses, Benjamin J. O. Ash, whose body was taken from the rules badly langled, was

one of the most prominent citizens of London, being at the time of his death president of the Conservative association and St. George's society. John Turner, another of those killed was also prominent in civic affairs, having served as alderman for a number of

# DEATH OF MRS. VAN LENNIP.

Was the Daughter of the Pioneer Missionary to Syria. Philadelphia, Jan. 4.-Mrs. Emily Van Lennip, widow of the Rev. John Van Lennip, D. D., died today after a brief

Mrs. Van Lennip was the daughter of the Rev. Isaac Bird, the pioneer missionbelief that the American people would ary to Syria, and was born in that country. Her husband was for many years a dissionary to Turkey, and was the author of several well known works on bible lands. Mrs. Van Lennip has for years been engaged in work for the misionary cause, and was especially active in behalf of the Armenians, many of whom have been educated through her efforts. She leaves three sons—Dr. W. B. Van Lennip, of Philadelphia; E. N. Van ennip, principal of a preparatory at Great Barrington, Mass., and H. M. Van Lennip, a composer, who resides in London. The fuencial services and interment will be at Great Barrington, Mass.

# EXPEDITION UP THE NILE.

Manner in Which Barbarians Were Treated by Troops of Civilization. Paris, Jan. 4 .- A letter from an officer of the Marchand expedition (which, ac-Tambura district of the Nile basin, on Sept. 17, and was proceeding to occupy Rumbek, in the territory of Bahr El Ghazeel), published in a newspaper of Toulouse, says the French force consits of 23 white men and 500 Sangegaleese riflenen. Describing the hardships endured,

"The native carriers have much trouble. We seized them forcibly, and they at-tempted to escape at every opportunity. We vainly shot or hanged those who were recaptured, but others continued to escape. Many were recaptured, but several succeeded in getting away. We were obliged to enter villages with a few riflemen and seize all the men and women found therein. Sometimes the population fled. We then burned a few huts, which generally induced the natives to return. We seized the chief and compelled him to give us slaves to carry our loads. This is the only way to deal with these brutes, whom we have seen quarrel over the bodies of their shot comrades for food."

# Pension Agitation.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Since the agitation oncerning the publication of the lost of pensioners has commenced, Commissioner Evans has received several letters from pensioners requesting a cancellation of the pensions. One pensioner in Michigan enclosed his certificate and stated his desire to have the same cancelled, as he was not entitled to the government's bounty. He said he would endeavor to return all the money drawn since 1895, when the pension was granted.

# Standard Oil Directors.

New York, Jan. 4 .- The annual meeting f the stockholders of the Standard Oil ompany today resulted in the re-election f the old board of directors as follows William Hockefeller, John D. Rockefeller, H. M. Flagler, J. D. Archbald, H. H. Rog-ers, W. H. Tilford, A. M. McGregor, Paul Babcock and C. M. Pratt.

### Major Butterworth's Illness. Thomasville, Ga., Jan. 4.—Major Butterworth, commissioner of patents, is weaker today, but there is still hope of his re-

Death of a Milliounire. Eau Claire, Wis., Jan. 4.-William Carson, the millionaire lumberman, died today, aged 80.

# TROUBLES IN THE **COTTON CENTRES**

Scheme to Juggle the Stock of Robeson Mill.

REDUCTION IN WAGES AT LEWISTON

Iwenty Thousand Operatives Will Be Affected in Massachusetts -- Reductions at Nashun and Eisewhere. No Strike in Prospect at Lewistown or Auburn, But Trouble May Arise at Biddetord.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 4.-A special meeting of the stockholders of the Robeson Cotton mills was held today to act on a proposition of the directors to reduce the capital stock from \$200,-00 to \$13,000 and the number of shares from 2,600 to 13, and then to increase t again to \$100,000 and the number of hares to 1,000, with a view of paving off the debts and re-organizing the mill. No action was taken, the meeting being adjourned sine die to give the directors a chance to consider several ONTARIO HORROR. propositions of the stockholders. One f these was to mortgage the property to pay the debts, the mortgage to be secured by the issue of bonds.

The debts of the mill in excess of the assets are \$83,000, the total being \$116,-659. The mill has lost \$33,000 in the past two years.

Whitinsville, Mass., Jan. 4.-Whitins Bros., of this town, who operate cotton milis at North Uxbridge, I nwood, Saundersville and Whitinsville, have posted notices announcing that the vages of the operatives will be reduced ten per cent. on and after January 10. A reduction of wages has already gone into effect at McBurin, Sturbridge and in the Farnumsville mill

## AT LEWISTON.

Lewiston, Me., Jan. 4.- The reduction in the wages of cotton mills of Lewison, which goes into effect January 17. will amount to from 10 to 11 1-9 per cent., and the other mills in Maine, as far as is known today, will adopt either one or the other of these rates.

The Farwell mills at Lisbon, the Edwards of Augusta, the Cabot of Brunswick, the Lockwood, of Waterville, the Gardiner mills and the Laconia and Peppereil mills of Biodeford, have also oined the general movement and will be followed by the Big York corpora-

tion of Saco. It is estimated that nearly 20,000 operatives will be affected in this state. It is thought there will be no strike in Lewiston or Auburn, but it is difficult to tell what the Biddeford operatives will do. The Lewiston and Auburn mills employ about 5,900 persons, and the reduction in their pay will amount

to about \$18,000 a month.

Nashua, N. H., Jan. 4.—Notices of reduction in wages were posted at the cotton mills from Nashua and Jackson orporations here today. The new scale of prices will take effect on M day, January 17. The mills employ about 2,500 hands. At the present time there are no indications that there will be a strike,

# STRIKE THREATENED.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 4.-Arrangements were made today for a mass meeting of spinners in the city hall tomorrow evening, when action will be taken on the 10 per cent, reduction of wages scheduled to take effect January 17. The officers of the local union declare that the vote will be to strike unless the cotton manufacturers recede from their vote of De-

cember 31. The carders' union will hold meeting the same evening, when the situation will be discussed. It is stated that the carders will also vote to

## THE SHAW MURDER TRIAL POSTPONED.

#### By Order of Court It Comes to an Aburpt End .- Speculation as to the Cause of Adjournment.

Camden, N. J., Jan. 4.-The trial of Elit Shaw for the murder of his grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Zane, which began yesterday, came to an abrupt and unexpected cording to the authentic news received ending today, when Judge Garrisor an-here yesterday, arrived at Rafai, in the nounced from the bench that the trial as far as it had proceeded would be with drawn and a new trial would begin in April. The only explanation the court April. made was that the defendant had asked that a juror be withdrawn, and that af-ter a consultation with Prosecutor Jenkins and Lawyer Harry Scovel, counsel for the defendant, the court had decided to grant the request. Judge Garrison then requested Edwin Norcross, foreman of the jury, to withdraw from the box. This ended the proceedings, and Shaw was

taken back to his cell. The unusual termination of the trial created much excitement and considerable speculation, not only in the crowded court room, but about the city generally, and rumors were rife as to the probable reason for the action. Neither the court nor the counsel in the case would give any additional explenation, but the gen-eral impression is that the juror objected to was Nelson W. Cox, the last man drawn yesterday. It is said that he is or was conencted with the same lodge of the Junior Order of American Mechanics that Shaw belonged to, and which lodge had adopted resolutions evincing faith in Shaw's innocence and appropriating money for his defense. Mr. Cox subse-quently stated that he is not now a member of the order and had not attended any meetings for eighteen months. He believes, however, he was the juror ob-jected to. It was also rumored in connection with the ending of the trial that some one had made a confession of the crime, exonerating Shaw of any connec-

Shaw will not yet be arraigned for the murder of his mother. This also will go over, and will only be tried in event of an acquittal in the other case.

# An Ex-Broker Arrested.

York, Jan. 4.-Henry O. Goldsmith, formerly a broker, and for whom the police have been looking for some time, was arrested today and held in \$3,900 ball on the charge of swinding Oscar E. Weissner, a Brooklyn manufacturer, out of \$3,000 by fraudulent Wall street trans-actions. Goldsmith is alieged to have conducted r. bucket shop business under

Appointed Associate Judge. Harrisburg, Jan. 4 .- Joseph G. Isenberg, of Huntingdon, was today appointed by Governor Hastings an associate judge, vice, R. A. Laird, deceased.

## COL. MORRISON'S SUCCESSION.

#### Western Man Will Be Appointed or the Interstate Commission.

Washington, Jan. 4.—While no informa-tion of an official character is to be obtained at the white house regarding the successor to Colonel W. R. Morrison on successor to Colonel W. R. Morrison on the interstate commerce commission, the belief is general that the president has not yet decided whom he will apopint.

It was supposed for a time that Judge Paxson, of Pennsylavnia, has been definitely determined upon, but the indications now are that the president will appoint. point a western man, probably a man from Illinois, if those interested can reach an agreement. It is reasonably certain now that no decision will be reached as to Colonel Morrison's succes-sor for several days.

## AN ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE.

## Miss May Thomson Seeks a Horrible

Death. Leroy, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Miss May Thompson, aged 25. of Dalias, Tex., who, since last August, has been visiting at the residence of M. F. Thompson, attempted suicide today by setting fire to her cloth ing. She first saturated her hair and clothes with kerosene oil and applied a match. In an instant she was enveloped in flames. Members of the family extin-guished the fire, but not before every particle of hair was burned from her head, and the upper part of her body wa badly burned.

She will probably die. Miss Thompson had suffered a long time from heart trou-ble, and often expressed a fear that she would become insane.

## THE COAL KING MISSING.

#### Two Tugs Have Been Sent in Search of the Barge.

York. Jan. 4.-No word has been heard yet in this city of the missing barge Coal King with five men aboard, which broke away from her tug on Sunday night, while bound from Boston to Newport News. Two powerful tugs have been sent to search for the burge and it is still hoped that the men aboard may be As there were very few provisions on the Coal King the crew, if still alive, must be suffering from hunger by this

## THE PERUVIAN MARRIAGE BILL.

#### Our State Department Has Lost no Opportunity to Secure a Change in the Measure.

Washington, Jan. 4.-United States Minster Dudley, at Lima, Peru, has forwarded to the department of state a copy of the marriage bill passed by the Peruvian congress November 12 last, but vetoed by the president December 3. Mr. Dudley's dispatch clears up a great deal of misunderstanding which existed as to the attitude of the Peruvian government towards this subject, of so much importance to foreigners, and which has been the object of protestant element of the by the Pritish government, are prac-community for many years. Our state ucally continued. department has lost no opportunity to secure a change in the Peruvian law, which did not recognize the validity of non-Catholic marriages and thereby invoked hardship upon many Americans resident

in Peru. The bill, which was vetoed, legalized purely civil marriages and was applicable to Peruvians and foreigners alike. The veto was based on the two-fold ground that the measure did not receive a two third vote in the full congress as required by the constitution, and that it was not sujted to the needs of the Peruvian people, the implication being that no objection would have been raised by the executive if corgress had been content to limit the operation of the bill to marringes of non-Catholic foreigners. So the more conservative measure intended solely for their benefit has thus been twice defeated through adding to it the civil marriage amendment. The president in his veto recommend that congress provide for the registration of marriages of non-Catholic foreigners, and it is expected that such a measure will be passed at the present session.

# REMARKABLE DISCOVERY.

Dr. Schenk Claims Astonishing Resuits From 20 Years Experience. London, Jan. 5.—According to the Vienna correspondent of the Daily Caron-icle, Dr. Schenk, professor at the Uni-versity of Vienna, and president of the Embryological institute, claims that after twenty years of experiments he has dis-covered the secret of exercising an induence over animals and men so as to fix the sex of their offspring. Dr. Schenk declines to reveal it until he has placed his discovery before the

## Academy of Sciences, but he says the in-fluence depends upon the nature of the food consumed by the female.

Ratcliffe Interviewed. New York, Jan. 4.-E. J. Ratcliffe, the English actor, under sentence of six months' imprisonment on Blackwell's Is-land, for beating his wife, was interview in his Tombs cell today regarding a story published in the London Daily Mail, in which it was stated that the actor had another wife in England. Rateliffe de-nied it point blank. Diffrict Attorney Gardiner today authorized the statement that Rateliffe might be indicted for perjury in swearing that he had no wife but the woman he married here.

# THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

#### Weather Indications Today: Fair; Variable Winds.

General-Ohio's Political Chaos China Looks to England for Financial Ald. Arbitration Receives a Setback

- Reduction of Wages in New England Cotton Industries. Whitney's Weekly News Budget. Local-Dunmore Affairs Now Adminis tered by Republicans, Trial List for Next Two Weeks Supe-
- rior Court Sittings. Authentic News Regarding Cuba.
- Local Dr. O'Malley's Lecture on Dante's "Paradise." Republicans to Nominate School Di-rectors.
- Local-West Side and Suburban, 7 Lackawanna County News.
- Neighboring County Gleanings. The Markets.

# CHINA TURNS TO ENGLAND

# Negotiations in London for a Loan of \$80,000,000.

## THE SECURITY OFFERED

## A Land Tax Under English Control.

Late Advices Announce That There 1s Good Reason for Believing That the British Government Is Considering the Question of Assisting China to Raise a Loan -- Chinese Proposals Urgently Supported by Business Men Interested in China.

Berlin, Jan. 4.-The Cologne Gazette, on authority from the best-informed quarters in Paris, announces today that since Thursday last important negotiations have been proceeding in London for a Chinese loan, the attempts made in Paris and St. Petersburg to arrange a loan having failed. China thereupon offered to contract for £16,000.000 (\$80,000,000) in London, at the same time asking the good offices of the British government. China, it appears, contemplates offering as se-curity the land tax, under the control of Englishmen, and that, furthermore. an Englishman shall succeed Sir Robert Hart as director of the Chinese imperial maritime customs. In addition Great Britain will insist upon a concession of territory, relative to which secrecy, according to the formant of the Cologne Gazette, must be temprarily observed.

The Cologne Gazette adds that it is understood Russia has renewed her offer to China to conclude a loan in Germany on more favorable terms than obtainable in Paris or London.

London, Jan. 4.-There is good renson to believe the British government is reconsidering the question of assisting China to raise a loan. The Chinese proposals on the subject are supported urgently by the business men here who are interested in China.

The Evening News says it is report-

ed in the city that the negotiations for

a Chinese loan of £16,600,000, guaranteed

## GERMANY AND CHINA. Baron Von Heyking Temporizing

Until Prince Henry Arrives. Pekin, Jan. 4.-The ministers and the Tsung-li-yamer. (Chinese foreign office) spent the whole of one night in discussing the deposition of the Chinese commandant of Tsao-Chou, province of Shan-Tung, who is accused of having used threatening language to a German missionary. The commandant has not been summoned to Pekin for examination, as previously cabled, the difficulty having

been smoothed over. The general situation remains un-changed. Hostilities are feared. The German minister, Baron Von Heyking, is understood to be temporizing until the arrival in China of Prince Henry of

Prussia. Berlin, Jan. 4.-Captain Rosendahl, commander of the German warship Friedrich Karl, has been appointed commander of the German forces ashore at Kiao Chau

Hong Kong, Jan. 4.-The British cruiser Edgar has arrived here and the British cruiser Grafton has sailed northward. The bulk of the British fleet is reported

# to be at Chusan, near Ning-Po

#### MICHAEL WANTS HIS LAND. Experience of a Man Who Deeded Property for a Consideration.

Trenton, N. J., Jan. 4.-Michael H. Colis, of South Brunswick township, today brought suit in the court of chancery to have set aside a deed made by him con-veying all his property to Agnes Allen, The property was conveyed in July, 18%, for \$1 and "other valuable consideration." The other valuable consideration was her agreement to marry him. The bill charges that afterwards the woman only laughed at him and had him ejected from one of the houses he had deeded to her. Subsequently she received attentions of other men and otherwise acted in a manner which justifies him in being unabla to marry her, even were she willing to marry him. Collins therefore asks that the deeds be set aside.

# Leiter's Wheat Sold.

Chicago, Jan. 4.-Joseph Leiter is sa to have closed contracts for the great part if not all of his 8,750,000 bushels c wheat. Negotiations have been us way for several days and are a closed. The buyers are L. Dreyfu Co., of New York, the French expo

Fatal Quarrel.

#### Russelville, Ky., Jan. 4-Robert and George Duncan, school boy aged 17, this afternoon became in a quarrel, when Evans stabb can in the heart with a pocke Duncan expired instantly. Evans

rested, charged with murder,

L. A. W. Will Accept New York, Jan. 4.—The exect live com-mittee of the League of American Wheel-men decided today to accept the invitamen decided today to the division and va-tion of the Indiana state to hold the anthe invita-

#### nual meet at Indianapolis -

Steamship Arfrivals. New York, Jan. 4. Falledt Norman-nia, Genoa; Kaiser Wrinelm der Grosse, Edemen. Cleared: Westernland, Ant-Bdemen. Cleared: Westernland, Ant-werp; St. Louis. Southampton: Germanic, Liverpool. Queenstown—Arrived: Ma-jestic. New York for Liverpool and pro-

The Herald's Weather Forecast.

New York, J.n. 5.—In the middle states today, partly cloudy to fair, warmer weather and fresh westerly winds will prevail, preceded by cloudiness and fog on the upper coast. On Thursday, clear and warmer weather will prevail.

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