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DELAY ON BARGE CANAL

Doubtful Whether Work Can Be Started This Winter.

Czar's Reform Program—Clark Jewels Recovered—Liquor Dealers' Legislative Fund—General Bristow Resigns—New Commissioner of Penitentiaries—Big Fire in Oswego.

The status of the thousand-ton barge canal is becoming hourly more complex and uncertain. Governor Higgins expressed the opinion that nothing would be done in the way of awarding contracts or issuing bonds until every vital question affecting the constitutionality of the canal act of 1903, and the regularity of the procedure of the state officials thus far under its provisions, had been clearly determined.

Superintendent Franchot of the department of public works has suspended decision upon the bids of the competing contractors for the first six contracts pending the determination of the question raised. Comptroller Kelsey will make no effort to issue bonds to raise money for the beginning of the work until he is satisfied that no doubt can be cast upon their validity.

Attorney General Mayer has already begun the study of the statute with reference to its constitutionality and to the other issues raised. The state officials all agree that the agitation in progress must be settled beyond question before the bonds can have any market value.

It is further agreed by all concerned that to award contracts in the present situation might render the state liable to damages and open the way to endless litigation. In any case, it is now evident that considerable litigation is inevitable before work can begin on the canal enlargement.

Comptroller Kelsey said that while the bonds themselves were ready for issue, no sale would be advertised until contracts had actually been awarded.

Clark Jewels Recovered.

Buried in a glass jar on the north side of West 15th street, in New York city, between Eighth and Central avenues, private detectives have found more than \$25,000 worth of jewelry, the property of Mrs. Ambrose Clark, the daughter-in-law of Mrs. Potter, which had been stolen from Fernleigh, the Clark home at Cooperstown, on July 7 last.

William Coleman, a noted New York thief, the major portion of whose 60 years have been spent in penal institutions, has been arrested. Coleman was arrested here on July 26 last by central office detectives and held by a magistrate at Cooperstown until Nov. 17 last, when the grand jury falling to indict him, he was released. However, he has been kept constantly under surveillance.

Last week the "shadows" reported that Coleman was acting mysteriously, going to unfrequented spots in the upper end of Harlem, apparently as though endeavoring to determine whether he was being watched. Early on Jan. 3 Coleman went to a brick wall surrounding an iron foundry in West 15th street, where he began digging in the snow but did not remain long.

Three or four times afterwards Coleman was seen to dig there and then go away. On Monday last the detectives went to the place, where they found a white stone nearly a foot square. Under this they found a package which proved to be a glass jar with a zinc cover, wrapped in a piece of thin white rubber cloth, secured with rubber bands and twine. In the jar were a number of small parcels tied up in gilded white muslin, the largest of which contained a pearl and diamond collar of 14 strands of gems. When all the packages had been opened, all the Clark jewelry was found, with the exception of a gold chain, a gold pencil and a small diamond ring.

Prince Mirsky's Resignation.

The czar has not accepted Prince Sviatopolk-Mirsky's resignation of the ministry of the interior. The minister has informed his majesty of his desire to be relieved of the office because the imperial reform program did not go far enough to meet his views, but the emperor so far has persuaded him to remain in the ministry.

Prisoners Arrive in Japan.

The steamers Kaga and Sunuki have arrived at Nagasaki with 1,600 Russian prisoners of war and 50 officers. All the prisoners have been quarantined at Inasa, a village near by, where has also been prepared a lodge for General Stoessel, who will arrive next Saturday.

The Russian officers are allowed much liberty within the bounds of the town, but they are under police escort.

TO RESTRICT WAR ZONE

Secretary Hay Sends Another Note to Peking Government.

American Government Will Do What It Can to Save China and Other Neutral Powers From Complications Which Would Follow Extension of Hostilities to Chinese Territory.

Washington, Jan. 17.—China's attention has again been indirectly invited by the American government to the "necessity for a faithful maintenance of her neutrality, not only in her personal interest but in the interest of the world's peace.

Secretary Hay on the receipt of the full text of Count Lamsdorff's note expressing Russia's belief that China's neutrality had been repeatedly violated, prepared instructions for the American charge at Peking, directing him to make inquiry of the Chinese government regarding the situation.

It is specifically declared that this action cannot in any way be construed as indicating that this government assumes responsibility for the charges made by Russia. Indeed this government has received no information through its legation at Peking nor through the various American consulates in China that the Chinese are violating the rules of neutrality.

Nevertheless, in view of Russia's expressed anxiety over the situation in China which her investigation discloses, the American government is ready to do what it can to save China and the other neutral powers from the far-reaching complications which it is feared would follow an extension to Chinese territory of the zone of hostilities.

Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, and Baron Busche, the German charge d'affaires, saw Acting Secretary of State Loomis on the subject. As the representative of the government from which emanated the suggestion that the American government invite the powers concurrently to urge on Russia and Japan the respecting of Chinese neutrality, the baron's visit was significant.

Later in the day came the Japanese minister, who said positively that Japan desired sincerely to adhere to her agreement regarding China's neutrality.

Sir Chentung Liang Cheng, the Chinese minister, called on Secretary Hay at his home. Although ill, the secretary is keeping in close touch with the situation and it can be stated that this government by no means has abandoned the hope China may yet be saved from an extension of hostilities.

In a conversation Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, reiterated that Japan desired and intended, if possible, to adhere strictly to her agreement to respect China's neutrality.

"But," he added, "if Russian generals invite them to Mongolia our commanders under the circumstances could hardly be expected to refuse the invitation."

Proposed Water Supply Tunnel.

New York, Jan. 17.—The construction of a deep aqueduct tunnel from the Catskill mountains to New York city, a distance of 97 miles, to deliver three hundred million gallons of water daily in New York city was recommended by Mayor McClellan by a special water commission.

It was estimated that it would cost \$500,000 a mile to dig the tunnel and that the total cost of proposed additions to the city's water supply would amount to \$1,000,000. It is recommended that a great reservoir be made by a dam on Esopus creek at Olive Bridge and that the water be brought from there to a new distributing reservoir at Rye Pond.

The plan includes a deep tunnel under the East river to carry the water into Brooklyn. The commission also proposed the construction of two new reservoirs in the Croton watershed at a cost of \$4,000,000.

Raines Law Flagrantly Violated.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 17.—The Onondaga county January grand jury reported to Justice W. S. Andrews by resolution that the Raines law is flagrantly violated in Syracuse and that violations are so open that the city authorities must be aware of offenses. The jury directs that copies of the resolution be sent to the governor and the local commissioner of public safety.

Two Boys Instantly Killed.

SENATORIAL NOMINATIONS.

C. M. Depew Unanimously Supported. Smith M. Weed Democratic Nominee.

Albany, Jan. 17.—Chauncey M. Depew of New York and Smith M. Weed of Clinton were nominated for the office of United States senator last night at joint caucuses held respectively by the Republican and Democratic members of the legislature.

The Republican senators and assemblymen met in the assembly chamber, where Senator Depew's name was placed before the caucus by Senator Elsborg and Assemblyman Aggar and unanimously supported. In the Democratic caucus Mr. Weed's nomination was opposed by the friends of Judge D-Cady Herrick. Judge Herrick received 14 votes to Mr. Weed's 42.

Today the two houses will vote separately on the nominations and on Wednesday provide for the formal transmission of their choice to the United States senate.

Senator Wilcox presided in the Republican caucus. The name of United States Senator Depew was presented by Senator Elsborg, of whose district Senator Depew is a resident. It was he who nominated Senator Depew six years ago.

In the course of his speech Senator Elsborg paid glowing tribute to the memory of President McKinley and to President Roosevelt. He referred to the solution of questions pending six years ago after the close of the Spanish war and then said:

"In the caucus six years ago, there was no prophetic vision to foresee the great events that were to come. But we did appreciate that what was wanted by our commonwealth for the next six years, was a representative in the senate of the United States, whose face should be turned towards and not away from the future, who would be alive to its needs and to its demands upon the present for wise, far-sighted policies, who had the brains to perceive and the eloquence to express the wishes and the hopes of the people of New York and of the nation, and whose voice should ring clear and true on every question that affected their prosperity, their progress and their honor. Such a man we thought we found, and the years have justified our choice. He has kept the faith with us, and we shall not withhold from him the tribute which his course has earned.

"In the fullness of his honored years, but with all the undiminished intellectual vigor and the optimistic heart and hope of youth, with the ripper experience which his service in the senate give, with the stores of wit and eloquence at command, with patriotism undimmed and spirit undaunted, he will in these next six years—big with new questions and new problems to be solved—surpass the record which he has already made and render even better service to his party to his state and to the nation.

"In deference to a public sentiment as unmistakable as it is just, in gratitude for a record of devotion to his party unequalled in the history of the state, in answer to the demands of party duty and of the public interest, I nominate as the Republican candidate for senator of the United States—to succeed himself—Hon. Chauncey M. Depew of New York."

Assemblyman McKeown of Kings presided in the Democratic caucus. The Tammany members voted for Smith M. Weed of Clinton, nominated by Senator Grady of Brooklyn and up-state members voted for Judge Herrick of Albany, who was nominated by Senator Cullen of Kings.

Owing to illness, Senator Patrick McCarren was not present, but his vote went on record for Judge Herrick on request of Senator Cullen.

Assemblyman Ellis arose, when his name was reached and said: "I take pleasure in voting for George B. McClellan of New York." He later changed his vote for Mr. Weed.

SHIPPING INTERESTS.

Representatives Discussed With Secretary Metcalf the New Regulations.

Washington, Jan. 17.—Nearly a hundred representatives of shipping interests assembled in the office of Secretary Metcalf of the department of commerce and labor to discuss with the secretary and the officials of the steamboat inspection service regarding the proposed regulations of the service, the adoption of which was recommended recently by the board of supervising inspectors.

Some of the shipping interests have suggested modifications of the proposed regulations in some respects. They are anxious, as George A. White, assistant general manager of the Hudson River Daylight line, and J. C. Evans, western manager of the Anchor line, at Buffalo, have indicated to Secretary Metcalf, to co-operate with the government in making their service above regulation.

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS

Short Items From Various Parts of the World.

Record of Many Happenings Condensed and Put in Small Space and Arranged With Special Regard For the Convenience of the Reader Who has Little Time to Spare.

Attorney General Moody made the closing argument against the beef trust in the United States supreme court.

Ten arrests of alleged leaders of the Black Hand band were made in Jersey City, which the police believe is headquarters of the society.

Speaker Cannon leads the "stand patters" in opposition to any tariff revision and to the proposed extra session of congress in October.

An unsuccessful attempt was made by one or more civilians to blow up the statue of Frederick the Great, presented to this government by the Emperor of Germany, and now standing in the War College grounds.

Thursday. Emboldened by hunger, a panther attacked a cattle train on the Erie railroad near Mast Hope, N. Y.

One lieutenant and one private of the Fourth cavalry were killed by Moros on the island of Jolo.

A third Russian squadron will leave the Baltic about the end of this month to reinforce Admiral Rojestvensky's fleet.

It was announced by the trustees of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine that the gift of \$600,000 received on Dec. 27 was the donation of Levi P. Morton.

The boiler of a locomotive attached to a fast express train blew up while standing at the Creston, O., station, killing the fireman and engineer and badly injuring a man who was riding in the engine cab.

Friday. President Roosevelt yielded to the opponents of tariff revision and there will be no changes of schedules by the present congress or the next.

Miss Hattie Hall, aged 58 years, died last night at her home near Herkimer as a result of burns caused by an explosion of kerosene oil used to start a fire.

Goods worth more than \$25,000, stolen from the Albert Corning Clark estate, at Cooperstown, N. Y., were found buried in New York, and a professional thief was arrested in connection with the affair.

Two hundred thousand Russian Quakers, known in their native country as Molokanians, will come to the United States this year and establish a colony and ultimately build a city in California near Los Angeles.

MET DEATH ON ICY PAVEMENT

George W. Hutchinson Fractured His Skull at Union Republican Club.

Pittsburg, Jan. 17.—George W. Hutchinson, a clerk in the office of clerk of quarter sessions court, fell on the ice in the yard of the Union Republican club, 227 South Broad street Sunday afternoon, fracturing his skull. He died several hours later in the Pennsylvania hospital.

Hutchinson, who was about 35 years of age, resided at 2121 Winter street. He was at the Union Republican club during the afternoon and went into the rear yard to join some friends.

There was a stretch of ice outside the door and Hutchinson slipped. He struck his head in falling, but managed to gain his feet. As he started to re-enter the house, however, he fell unconsiously.

An ambulance was summoned and he was taken to the hospital, where he died several hours later without regaining his senses.

HAD A FINE RECORD.

Young Man Killed Trying to Break Into House Was a Pittsburg Student.

Monaca, Pa., Jan. 17.—The man who was killed while attempting to force an entrance into the home of the Lance Brothers near here Friday night, was identified yesterday as Arthur S. Harris, aged 19 years, of Midway, Pa.

Previous to this time Harris had been regarded as an industrious, moral young man without a single vicious habit. He belonged to a highly respectable family and for the past year had been a pupil in the commercial department of one of Pittsburg's academies.

The relatives and friends of Harris think an innocent man has been killed, but the county police officials consider the false moustache that Harris wore and the revolver found in his pocket incriminating evidence.

SOFT WATER FOR ENGINES.

Pennsylvania Railroad to Improve the Supply For Its Locomotives.

Pittsburg, Jan. 17.—The Pennsylvania road has decided to have improved water at all seasons of the year for its locomotives and with that object in view there have been let contracts for two great water softening plants. The announcement was made from the offices here that plants would be established at Bradford, Ohio, west of Columbus, and at Richmond, Ind., at once.

It is the intention to have great reservoirs of the improved water and have it piped along the lines to different places where locomotives can load up with it and not be ruined by all kinds of water which was the case during the late drought. For some time the Pennsylvania has been investigating the idea in this neighborhood.

Raid Alleged Speak Easies.

Norristown, Pa., Jan. 17.—District Attorney Shieve has decided to clear out the speak easies in this vicinity, and late Saturday night by his direction Constable Dougherty, with the assistance of other officers, raided two places adjoining Christ Sweden church, below Bridgeport. The alleged proprietors, James Crow and Charles Travis, were arrested and committed for a hearing. Fifteen boxes of beer and several gallons of whisky were found in the houses.

Tragedies of Cotton Mill Strike.

Fall River, Mass., Jan. 17.—John Neville, a weaver, who with his crippled wife is said to have suffered much during the cotton mill strike, laid down the paper after reading of the failure of the strike conference at Boston and cut his throat. He died instantly. Three striking loom fixers, who since the mills closed have lodged together in one small room, were found unconscious from illuminating gas Sunday. They will recover.

Two Men Killed at Crossing.

Erie, Pa., Jan. 17.—Thomas Nobloch, a farmer, and William Martin, employed by him, while driving home to Swanville early in the morning were killed instantly by a fast Lake Shore train west of this city. They did not see the train approaching a crossing and drove over the tracks in front of it. When they did discover their danger the express was upon them.

Boy Set His Sister Afire.

Easton, Pa., Jan. 17.—Six-year-old Mattie Gorman, daughter of William Gorman of Zane street, this city, who was burned at her home late Saturday afternoon by a younger brother while the two children were playing alone in the house, died Sunday morning at the hospital. The boy, after lighting a piece of paper at the kitchen range, applied the flames to his sister's clothing, "just to scare her."

Phoenix Park Colliery to Resume.

Pottsville, Pa., Jan. 17.—The Phoenix Park colliery, an operation of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company, near here, which has been idle since December, resumed yesterday. A new breaker has just been built with a capacity of 10,000 tons a day. The colliery employs about 600 hands.

Miner Found Frozen to Death.

Mahanoy City, Pa., Jan. 17.—John Coan, an aged miner, was found frozen to death in a stable here Monday morning.