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**WASHINGTON OWES  
MORE THAN STATES**

Federal Debt, \$2,912,204,914, While  
Forty-eight States Owe Only  
\$422,796,525.

Washington, July 25.—The full report on national and State indebtedness and funds and investments from 1870 to 1913 has just been issued by Director William J. Harris, of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

According to this bulletin the total debt of the forty-eight States amounted on June 30, 1913, amounting to \$422,796,525. Of this total \$403,365,569 represented bonded debt and \$19,429,556 represented floating debt. Of the bonded debt \$36,836,427 is represented in bonds and \$35,530,142 in special debt obligations to public trust funds.

**HAVEN SUIT**  
Use to Offer Comment  
That It is a Matter  
of the Law.

July 24.—Local New York papers refuse to comment on the suit in equity, contending that the appointment of a receiver is a matter for the court and that nothing should be said until the receiver is appointed.

Government has prepared a cigarette monopoly, so-called trust.

## ST. JOHN STRIKE IS SETTLED

Management of Street Car Company and men Reach Agreement

**CAR RAN AWAY**  
Motorman Frightened by Mob, Abandoned Car, Which Rushes Uncontrolled Down Incline Till Conductor Stops It.

St. John, N.B., July 15.—The Street Railway strike was ended by signing of an agreement at ten o'clock last night by Col. H. H. McLean, on behalf of the company, and J. E. M. Baxter, who represented the strikers. The men are to return to work in the morning. By the agreement, all of the discharged employees are to be reinstated except Fred Ramsey, who was president of the union, and over whose case the strike largely occurred. Eleven other men were dismissed, and of these nine are to return to work at once, and the cases of two more are to be taken in advisement. No employee is to be prejudiced because of membership in the union, or because of participation in the existing dispute. Such are the chief features of the settlement.

Up to midnight the city was in charge of the civic authorities, who had at their disposal the 62nd Fusiliers and the Third Canadian Artillery, and bodies of these troops were stationed at several points through the city all day and all night, and they are still guarding the company's property.

Great crowds formed in Market Square, and at the head of King Street early in the evening, and some trouble resulted when the operation of street cars was resumed at eight o'clock. Cars were run up to ten o'clock, and then discontinued. Stones were thrown through several cars. Colonel McLean rode in the first that went out.

A later car was stoned at the head of King street, and the motorman dropped his controller, and the car rounded the corner running wild and rushed down King street at a furious pace until the conductor ran through the car and got it under control. A few minutes later stones were thrown through the windows of cars at the foot of King street.

At ten o'clock the service was stopped, and this was followed soon afterwards by the announcement of a settlement.

It is hoped the trouble is over for the present at least, but some troops will be kept on duty to-day.

## STILL HANGING FIRE

Chairman of Mediation Commission Says Management and Men Still Far Apart.

(Exclusive Leased Wire to Journal of Commerce.)  
Chicago, July 25.—Chairman Chambers, of the Federal Mediation Board, says regarding western engineers' wage dispute: "While we have not found the situation is strained. Employees demand that the railroads make concessions and then arbitrate what is left. Railroads will make no concessions."

## BILLIARD COMPANY

Big Stride Has Been Taken by New Haven Toward Closing Up Its Financial Affairs.

Boston, Mass., July 25.—It is believed steps will soon be taken to liquidate the Billiard Company, created by the Connecticut Legislature in 1909, that much criticized creation was designed to take over from John L. Billard the controlling Boston and Maine shares, and, if necessary, never needed, because the New Haven succeeded in getting a better substitute in the form of the Boston Railroad Holding Company.

## TWO MONTHS TO CHOOSE

SEVENTY-TWO DIRECTORS.  
Washington, D.C., July 25.—The selection of directors for the Federal Reserve Banks is proceeding so slowly that the organization committee has been obliged to send out a circular reminding electors that their votes must be in by August 1st.

## ALL EYES ARE TURNED ON SERVIAN CAPITAL TODAY

Extraordinary Session of Cabinet Called to Discuss Austrian Ultimatum Which Must be Answered Immediately

(Special to The Journal of Commerce.)  
London, July 25.—In all of the European capitals intense excitement reigned to-day over the very threatening Austro-Servian situation which it was feared might lead to a great war among the European powers. Security markets were in a state of demoralization as a result of the panicky fears of investors who threw their holdings on the boulevards regardless of the fact that there were practically no buyers. Late developments indicated that Serbia might meet Austria's ultimatum though the general desire in Belgrade is to refuse to comply with Austria's demands and risk all in war.

In every case it is felt that the decision for peace or war rests not with Servia but with Russia. Servia left to herself, it is held, must comply with the Austrian demands. Backed by Russia, however, and with the support of France and England, the other Triple Entente powers who must be drawn in if Russia decides to move, Servia may defy Austria and signal for war would be given.

Servia has as yet given no indication of the answer she will make to Austria, but it is regarded as significant that the Belgrade government to-day has already made plans to interfere in the dispute.

The Servian Cabinet met in extraordinary session to-day to discuss the ultimatum from Austria which calls for a satisfactory answer by 6 o'clock this evening. Intense excitement prevailed.

## DEFAULTED RLY. SECURITIES IN U.S. AGGREGATE \$551,000,000

St. Louis and San Francisco Leads With the Greatest Amount of Bonds and Notes Not Paying Interest

Securities on which American railroads are in default aggregate \$551,000,000. This is more than half the amount of railroad securities sold during a year. Not since the period of reorganizations following the 1893 panic have there been so many railroad bonds in default.

Since it defaulted July 1st on its refunding mortgage, St. Louis & San Francisco leads with the greatest amount of bonds and notes not receiving regular interest. While we have not included Chicago & Eastern Illinois issues are added, the aggregate reaches \$220,500,000.

Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad comes next, with \$71,353,500 defaulted trust 4% bonds in default. Close to this is Pere Marquette, already defaulted on over \$65,000,000 securities and expected to do likewise on some \$11,000,000 more under orders of court. Then comes Wash-Pittsburg Terminal, which has never paid any interest on its second mortgage \$5, although the rate became a fixed obligation in 1910.

Wabash follows with default on \$47,000,000 of securities. There are ten other roads which are not paying interest on amounts of bonds smaller than this.

AMOUNT	DEFAULTED
St. L. & San Fran. gen. lien 5s.	\$69,524,226
St. L. & San Fran. 6% notes	68,362,000
St. L. & San Fran. 6% notes	2,600,000
St. L. & San Fran. 5% notes	2,250,000
New Orleans, Texas & M. 1st 5s.	28,592,500
C. & E. I. stock trust cts.	23,876,900
Total	195,405,416
Chic. R. I. & P. R. E. oil 4s.	71,353,500
Pere Marquette ref. 4s.	10,106,000
Pere Marquette 4s.	8,382,000
Pere Marquette imp. & ref. 5s.	16,000,000
Pere Marquette deb. 6s.	5,000,000
Chic. & W. Mich. Ry. 2d 5s.	9,000,000
Det. & P. M. 1st 4s & 6s.	5,379,000
Flint & P. M. cons. 5s.	5,000,000
Pitt & P. M. cons. 5s.	2,850,000
Pitt & P. M. cons. 5s.	3,325,000
Miscellaneous	3,401,000
Total	65,291,000
Wabash-Pitts. Terminal 1st 4s.	30,236,000
Wabash-Pitts. Terminal 2d 4s.	20,000,000
Total	50,236,000
Wabash 1st ref. c. & ex. 1st 5s.	9,192,240
Wabash 5% notes.	5,000,000
Total	46,921,240
Chic. & East. Ill. ref. & imp. 4s.	18,019,000
Chic. & Ind. Coal Ry. 5s.	4,620,000
Evans. & Ind. 1st 6s.	1,853,000
Evans. & Ind. 1st 6s.	647,000
Total	25,145,000
Atlanta, Term. & Atlantic 1st 5s.	14,445,000
Georgia Terminal 1st 5s.	3,000,000
Alabama Terminal 1st 5s.	2,445,000
Total	19,888,000
Mo. Okla. & Gulf R. R. 1st 5s.	10,655,200
Mo. Okla. & Gulf Ry. 1st 5s.	7,007,000
Mo. Okla. & Gulf Ry. 2d 5s.	1,467,000
Mo. Okla. & Gulf Terminal 5s.	550,000
Total	19,679,200
Pitts. Shawmut & Nor. ref. 4s.	14,491,000
Pitts. Shawmut & Nor. 1st 5s.	169,000
Total	14,655,000
Cin. Ham. & Day 1st & ref. 4s.	1,677,000
Ind. Dec. & W. 1st 5s.	3,162,000
Cin. Ind. & W. 1st 5s.	4,722,000
Cin. Ind. & W. 1st & ref. 4s.	9,561,000
Total	19,119,000
New Or. M. & C. 1st & ref. 4s.	9,532,000
Colorado Midland 1st 4s.	8,000,000
Wheeling & Lake E. 5% notes	3,000,000
Oklahoma Central 1st 5s.	3,000,000
Kansas City & Memphis 1st 5s.	3,000,000
Kansas Oklahoma & W. 1st 4s.	796,000
Total	551,282,956

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## BETTER TONE LAST WEEK

While no Marked Advances  
Less Disposition to Make  
Concessions

**GET MORE ORDERS**  
Cotton Goods Markets Show Inclination to Sag Here and There—Full Effort to Sell Chaffin Failures Not Realized Yet.

(Exclusive Leased Wire to Journal of Commerce.)  
Boston, July 25.—There has been some improvement in business in the leather market during the last week of two. While there have been no active advances in quotations there is less disposition to make concessions.

The shoe manufacturers are busier than a week ago, and while they continue to buy largely on a hand-to-mouth basis, their requirements are larger to some extent. Manufacturers are also getting more orders, but there is a usual pick up after shutdown which is general around the first of July.

The wool market has shown a distinctly better tone than that which has prevailed for the past fortnight. Trading is quite active and has run up over 2000 points for the week.

The worsted mills, both woolen and worsted, continue relatively the heavy buyers as the woolen just now are not busy.

Prices are still at the top figures for the season. The London market has maintained all of the early gains, particularly on crossbreds, for which America was a strong bidder. American buyers are estimated to have taken some 17,000 bales.

The cotton goods markets are quiet and inclined to give way here and there. Buying is utterly absent and pressure to sell by small mills results in shadings of prices. The movement has not extended far, but it shows the tendency.

Druck and brown goods are moving very sluggishly. Bleached goods, which a few weeks ago were doing better have had a relapse and are barely stirring. Prints and ginghams are not commanding much attention. Fine goods are attracting more attention and although no pronounced buying movement has started it seems as if conditions were on the verge of some more cheerful reports.

Carthage continues at all textile centres. It seems as if business would have been more active had it not been for the fact that the Chaffin failures full effects have not yet been realized, despite the optimistic tenor of the retail business.

## TWO LAWYERS ALMOST COME TO BLOWS

Proceedings by Dugal Inquiry Enlivened by Heated Argument Between J. B. M. Baxter and Mr. Carvell.

St. John, July 25.—While the investigation into the legal charges was proceeding yesterday, J. B. M. Baxter, frequently mentioned in the course of the evidence, approached in front of the clerk's desk and addressing the commission, said he had heard his friends making reference to the time of finishing the case. Before that was done, he desired to address a few remarks to the commission. He considered it unfortunate that in the conduct of the case the material had been used for political exigencies to make attacks upon himself and others who were not concerned in the case, and whose reputation had been attacked in an unfair and cowardly way. For himself he wanted an opportunity of making a statement and imparting some measure of truth to the commission.

With indignation, Mr. Baxter said, "From the day I was 14 years of age, I earned my own living, and earned it honestly. I have never received money except as the result of honest and thrift. I have never had occasion to resort to the construction of armories or doubtful railway transactions to get my living, and with the permission of this court, I propose to defend my methods of earning a livelihood."

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## FURTHER DISTURBANCES IN NORTHERN MEXICO FEARED

Controversy Among Constitutionalist Leaders May Involve Establishment of Another Republic, Which is Now Under Consideration in That Region

The New York Journal of Commerce says that investigations with reference to the future of business in Mexico made by commercial interests anxious to secure the early re-establishment of a peaceful state of things there, showing that the continuance of the more peaceful situation which led to the re-opening of the plants of the American Smelting & Refining Company is considered far from certain under the present conditions.

A good deal of anxiety has been caused by the fact that the relations between the leaders of the Constitutionalist party were becoming distinctly strained at a recent conference for a resort to hostilities in some open territory. It is believed that the party should such a contest come, it would according to business men who have recently visited northern Mexico for the purpose of ascertaining the true facts in the case, lead to a condition of disturbances fully as serious as that which recently prevailed during the period of the struggle between Huerta and his opponents in the early days of the Wilson administration.

This would, it is feared, bring into jeopardy the relatively peaceful state of things that is now favoring the development of business activities in the northern section.

It is stated on the best of authority that business men who about two weeks ago were on the point of resuming operations in northern Mexico are hesitating again, and that the odds favor to be a definite postponement of the announcement of a positive basis of settlement between the opposing leaders. The business men are of the degree of assurance on the part of those who have capital that might be placed in jeopardy by renewed difficulties.

What is feared is that should the Villa-Carranza controversy become acute it would lead to an attempt at the establishment of a republic in northern Mexico on an independent basis. It is of course a corresponding effort on the part of the Mexican Government to coerce the would-be secessionists into allegiance to the authorities at Mexico City.

Are Now Hesitating.  
In the absence of so extreme a step as the secession of Northern Mexico, now understood to be under consideration on the part of some of the leaders, there is expected to be continued hostilities between the two branches of the Constitutionalist movement, but not an adjustment of a sort not now believed to be in sight.

While some development of this sort had been looked forward to, it had been expected that the situation would assume a threatening form, certainly not at so early a date.

Resume Business Occupations.  
In spite of the outlook as now seen by the business public, the State Department at Washington is understood to be counterbalancing if not encouraging the entrance of American citizens into Mexico for the purpose of resuming the business occupations that were interrupted by the breaking out of the revolt against Huerta.

The feeling at Washington is understood to be that this resumption of business will assist in the pacification of the country and will thereby aid in applying the Wilson policies to the Mexican situation.

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## CONFERENCE NOT ALTOGETHER FAILURE

Public Opinion Awakened to Danger of War and Necessity of an Immediate Compromise.

(Special to Journal of Commerce.)  
London, July 25.—Despite the fact that Home Rule conference have failed so far as definite results are concerned, sentiment in Parliamentary circles to-day was that the conference had not entirely been a failure. For one thing, it pointed out it served to call public attention to the danger of armed conflict in Ireland and to unite public opinion in favor of some compromise at once. It was predicted to-day that as a result of this pressure of public opinion the government will offer to the Irish Nationalists, however, did not view these developments with favor and are supported by the Laborites and many Radicals in the House.

The Nationalists are reluctant to go on with the second reading of the amending bill, and it is feared that there may be a break in the government forces if the bill is called up again next Tuesday. Reports from Belfast indicated that the Ulster men are becoming more restless under the delay in the settlement of the Home Rule question.

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The value of the whole of the foreign trade of Argentina, exports and imports has now reached \$1,000,000,000, a figure slightly less than the total combined trade of eight other South American nations.

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National Railways of Mexico is not included in the list because its property outside of this country and the National Railroad of Mexico now have \$25,700,000 of securities which interest is being paid with short term notes in lieu of cash.—BOSTON NEWS BUREAU.

**FIRE UNDER CONTROL.**  
Cannery Mexico, July 25.—The fire which started yesterday at the Greene Copper property is now under control. General Manager Douglas says it is not as serious as was at first considered.