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PANAMA PACIFIC EXPOSITION

San Franciscan Tells of His City's Efforts to be Selected As the Site of a Great Celebration

San Francisco's efforts to be selected as the point where the Panama-Pacific Exposition will be held to celebrate the completion of the Panama Canal, in probably 1915, bid fair to be successful, according to Mr. C. H. Burnham, a wealthy San Franciscan, who is at present a guest at the Empress Hotel. Within three months, he states, a sum of 47,500,000 was raised by public subscription. The state legislature has guaranteed a bond issue for \$5,000,000. The municipality has voted a bond issue for \$5,000,000. Thus the city has \$17,500,000 guaranteed as an earnest of its readiness and ability to be the site for the exposition which it is proposed to make the greatest ever held on this

the early mineties cost but \$15,000,000, and it was accounted one of the most successful ever held. Towards this selabration the Federal authorities voted a sum of \$5,000,000, while in the case of the San Francisco project the people of that city do not desire financial aid from the Federal authorities, but only that the government approve the selection of San Francisco as the site where the exhibition should be neld. San Francisco a rival in the competition for this honor is New Orleans, and Mr. Burnham points out that the latter city has only the sum of \$10,000,000 guaranteed, and that its claims to selection are not nearly so sood as those of the Californian metropolis. At present there are fifteen enthusiastic San Franciscans in Washington endeavoring to persuade the Federal powers to lend their support to the project for holding the exposition at San Francisco. This delegation has already spent something in the neighborhood of \$250,000 in its efforts.

Lauds Vancouver Island

Mr. Burnham, who is a director of a number of San Franciscan manufacturing companies, spends his time travelling between what he considers the most delightful points on the coast, it is a high tribute to Vancouver Island that he should have selected this territory for the time of his longest stay in any one point. Last summer he was on the Island for three and a pair months, during passes which time he was a guest lift the Simpress Hotel, and the remainder of which he resided at Mr. Dunn's ranch, near Grofton. While here he used his magnificent landaulette for touring all over the vicinity, and he has high praise for the roads, especially those in

"When the Panama Canal is in operation," says Mr Burnham, "we in Operation," says Mr Burnham, "we in San Francisco estimate that during the six months of summer and autumn 5,000,000 people will visit San Francisco during the progress of the oxposition, which is projected. On a conservative estimate, I should think that at least one-twenteth of these will four northwards along the Pacific Coust, and the great majority of these will tour northwards along the Pacific Coust, and the great majority of these will visit Victoria and British Columbia points. From this estimate it is evident that you up here will benefit largely through the opening of this great highway. The Panama Canal will bring New York within a fortnight of San Francisco by water. The trip from the British Isles to San Francisco will be possible in three weeks by this route. The advantages from a trade standpoint will be enarmous, and the people of British Columbia will share in these, as I understand there are many commercial ties between this

Mr. Burnham is one of the most active and successful 'boosters' which victoria and Vancouver Island have He is continually advising his wealthy friends to come and spend some time here, and in this propaganda he has been considerably lielped since the erection of the Empress Hotel, with its commodious and well appointed quarters. His permanent home, it such a wanderer can be said to have one, is at the Fairmont, San Francisco, but since June last he has been rawelling through the Facilie Northwest. It is not improbable that he will eventually determine to settle down on Vancouver Island, he is so mamoured of lis charms. In the course of a few days he littends roling to Spokane and bringing from there a party of fifends to visit Victoria. During January he will leave for San Francisco, and he intends making the trip south from Portland by auto. He

Australis's Militarism

MELBOURNE, Dec. 24.—Senator G. F. Pearce, minister of defence, announces a number of appointments to the teaching staff of the federal military college. Most of the professors and sectures are men holding high university qualifications in the branches education which they are to teach The college, which has been established on the lines laid down by Pfeld Marshal Lord Kitchener, will open in February, probably in temporary quarters at the site of the federal capital Yass-Canborra. Brigadier-General W. T. Bridges, C. M. G., who made a

Canada, will be director of the Australian college.

The defence programme for 1911 has been drafted. The first hair of the year will be devoted to the enrolment of cadets, and the second half to of cadets, and the second half to of cadets, and the second half to of cadets.

subsequently be of the regular training forces under the mannes service clauses of the Defence act, an similar drafts will be coming on ever year.

The Christmas edition of the "Frase Valley Record" is an issue evincing an immense amount of hard work of the part of the editor and his staff and creditably characteristic of the life and activities of the communit for the benefit of which the "Record is published."

A London despatch which find space in all the principal papers of the Bast announces that the deposed Kin Manuel of Portugal will next year visit Canada and British Columbia, it the course of a round-the-world tou in which he hopes for the none of forget his royal troubles.

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 24.—For son time past a party has been agitatic in Iceland for the separation of Der mark and tecland. An investigation which has been made, however, provides the party is of no real important and the majority of the Icelanders wis to maintain the auton with the majority of the Icelanders wis to maintain the auton with the specialty friendly feeling toward Norway, owing to the beliavior of the Norwagian fishermen staying in the Icelandic coast towns.

Icelandic coast towns.

In Norway only a small minority in favor of a union with Iceland, and he Norwegian government has refused to negotiate with an agent representing the Icelandic party which desires a union with Norway.

REBELS READY FOR AN ATTACK

Planning Combined Movement Against Moctezuma, Near Place Where American Mining Company Is Operating

DOUGLAS, Arizons, Dec. 27.—1
letter from H. W. Loomis to his wife here states that the rebels in the mountains between Nacosari and Mootezums are awaiting reinforcements, when they plan to make a combined attack on Mootezuma, the capital of the Mootezuma district in Sonora. The rebels have been seen on the hill above Nacosari, but showed no disposition to disturb the camp where the big properties of the Mootezuma Copper Company, part of the Rebelse-Dodge interest, is located. The many Americans in this flistrict are not alarmed over the shuation, feeling satisfied that they will not be molested.

NACO, Arisona, Dec. 27.—A company of Mexican infantry strived in Naco, Sonora, this afternoon and, to gether with the company now stationed at Naco, will leave tonight under command of Captain Bargas to a point on the Nacospri milroad whence it is reported, they will go by rail to Nacospri. A trainload of solders left Empalme, Sonora, this morning, bound for Nowales, but it is reported on good authority that the will also go to Nacospri.

Minister Creel's Deniel.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—Enrique
C. Creel, minister of foreign relations,
tonight denied the report that his
ranch in Chibushua has been looted
and the foreman branded. He said
that about three weeks ago, a few
bandits went to his ranch and stole
several horses.

Prince Repert's Wireless Station
It is promised by the Dominion Government that the wireless station on Disby Island, Prince Rupert, will within the ensuing six months be made one of the very finest on the Pacific Coast. The importance of this station is said to be fully recognized by the Marine Department, and it is the intention of the Department to have it equipped with the very latest and most powerful appliances for long distance transmission of business. The present service is a 16-hour one only, but on the completion of the extensions now under way, a 24-hour cervice will be inaugurated. J. E. Harker will continue in charge of the station

Road's Ramifications Extensive
The ramifications of the proposed
Name and Skeema River Railway, for
which a charter is to be sought at the
approaching sension of the local House,
are, it is now said, to be of a very extensive character. The purpose of the
company is stated to be to build and
operate a road from Groundhog Valley
down the south side of the Skeena to
its junction with the Slangeest river,
thence following the Slangeest up to
the Fifth Cabin on the Yukon Telegraph trail, thence westerly to Blackwater Lake, down Black-water river
via the lakes at the head of Kingion
river to the Name, and down the Name
to Name Harbor; with power also to
build a branch line from the Skeens

Mr. C. C. Clarke, of the Provincial Department of Agriculture, in charge of the Kamloops district as Assistant Corticulturist, is stated to have religined his public office in order to accept a flattering offer is manager of a args fruit company. Mr. Clarke is ow in Portland, spending the holiops, at his parents, home.

Mr. F. W. Nicholson, of London, the sheets manager of the recounty oranized Griffith Steel Communication, Company, of Vancouver, one of the Interprises of Mr. Norton Until the inhis province, is on a visit to Victoria, HEAVY DEPOSITS
IN CLOSED BANK

Northern Bank of New York, a
State Institution, Closed By
State Superintendent For
Benefit Of Depositors

nine branches of \$6,912,552 at the time of its last published statement, was closed today by O. H. Cheney, state superintendent of banks, "for the benefit of the depositors," because of "certain conditions," and "also certain irregular transactions."

An inventory of the bank's assets and Habilities is now under way, but until it, is completed, no further statement from Superintendent, Cheney will be svaligable. W. H. Hotchkies, state superintendent of insurance, and district at

nim. They hope to present the facts to the grand jury tomorrow.

Joseph G. Robin, chairman of the executive committee of the bank, and a shareholder and director in many other corporations, is in a private sanitarium at Contral Valley, N. Y., to which he was committed last Saturday by Justice Amend of the state supreme court at the request of his sister on the certificate of two physicians.

James H. Gifford, of counsel for the bank and one of the state.

ed tonight that physicians had diagnosed tonight that physicians had diagnosed the case as acute paranola. Robin tried to kill himself in his apartments iast Saturday night, but was restrained by a nurse, according to Mr. Gifford. "On Friday night," said Mr. Gifford, after irregularities had been discovered, another director and myssil-went to the apartments of Mr. Robin. We could not get a connected statement from him. It was plain that he did not realize the seriousness of our mission.

I knew nothing about the fregularities, nor do I think any of the other directors did until they were revealed by the examiners of the banking department and our own investigators. We held out hope that conditions would right themselves until Monday night, when at a meeting which lasted for hours, we called upon the state banking department to step in.

"A copy of the resolution was turned over to the department by Sunt, Chenay

not care to. We wish, to do nothing that might embarraes the public officials.

"Depositors will receive 100 cents on the dollar and stockholders a substantial dividend if we can realise on our collateral. We have cash on hand of \$2.000,000 and quick masts of \$3.000,000.

"Some people might think it was ridiculous for us to close our doors in this way, but we considered that as soon as the irregularities became public there would be a run on the bank. In view of this fact, the directors believed the interests of all depositors.

demanded that we ask the state banking department to take charge."

Joseph Robin came to this country is years ago from Russia, with only enough money to pass the immigration barriers. For the last year he has had a prominent voice in the affairs of three banks, two bonding companies, two real estate companies and two fraction roads. He began as a reporter on a New York newspaper, left journalism to promote building and loan associations

Supt. Hotchkiss was drawn into the case through the fact that Robin held a controlling interest in the Astna Indemnity company of Hartford, Conn., capitalized at \$250,000, which does business in this state. The relations of the Astna with the Northern Bank and of both with the Title and Guarantee company of Rochester, form the subject matter of a long statement by Supt. Hotchkiss.

According to this statement. Robin through manipulation of the assets of the Rochaster company, impaired the standing of the Astna Indemnity company (which is not related in any way to the Astna Fire Insurance company). Te summary of this alleged manipulation follows and the statement then continues:

"As a result, when the present investigation began the Title and Guarantee company of Rochester, instead of assets consisting of approximately \$180,000 and prartically no liabilities now owes practically \$50,000 and has against it bonds and stocks in the Robin concern whose value is approximately \$105,000. This is a net shrinkage of about \$125,000, to be reduced, of course, by the ultimate returns from Robin's securities. Fortunately, the Rochester company is not actively in business and the interests of policy-holders are not

There is undoubtedly a considerable shrinkage in the assets of the Actual Indemnity company, whose small surplus is unquestionably wiped out an whose capital is impaired. Whether the company will be rehabilitated or rein sured has not been determined.

Three hundred men ast down to a Christmas dinner in the Broad Street Heil on Monday at 5 p. mp. given by the directors of the V M C. A as sisted by friends and various etchurches. One hundred men of H. M C. S. Bainbow were present; twenty five men from Work Point barracks and about a dozen from H. M. S. Egeris, the balance being from Bastern Canada or the Old Country, without permanent residences beer. Thirty friends of the sasociation, largely ladies, assistes with the dinner, which was an excellent one, including turkey, wenty-six at which were required to satisfy the appetites of the Steems At the conclusion a good programme was fundered, lasting anticabeut II oclock. The westome of the ministerial association was conveyed by the Rev. Mr. Stephenson, C. C. Mitchener, chairman of the building committee of the V. M. C. A giving some account of the progress made

and the guests was expressed to that assisting by the Rev. T. E. Holling Mr. A. J. Brace presided. Member of the Bainbow's crew assisted in the programme. Two save a very cleve entertainment in shadowgraphy, be hind an illumined sheet.

Hazlaton Wants South Road.

A position is being forwarded to the Minister of Public Works from Hasle ton and the district surrounding ask ing that a first-class highway be constructed to connect that portion of the Province with the south. Copies of the petition are also being for warded to Premier McBride and the William Manson, M. P. The route requested is with Bulkley valley. Francois lake and the Fraser river, it some point connecting with the road system of southern British Columbia.

Renalty for Threat

Because E. P. Kepner, proprietor the Occidental Hotel at Quesnel, proprietor and in obedience to the law.

Fused to serve him with a drink, us conviction that he had already it denough liquor, P. G. Mueller is said have threatened to "get even" burning down the law-obeying lice in the conviction that he had already burning down the law-obeying lice gets hotel. The case was fried to the conviction that he was the day of the case was fried to providing bonds in the sum of \$1,500 assurance of his good behaviour for period of twelve months. Consider able fault is found with the sentent by the people and press of Quest as too severe in view of the fact if Mueller was "in liquor" when

FIDELITY WINS POOR REWARD

Vancouver Landing Waiters
Who Deal Too Strictly With
Chinese and Smugglers Are
Reduced in Rank
Reduced in Rank

VANCOUVER, Dec. 27.—Several with masses abld the Chinese commission the morning that largeling watters who we too atrict in dealing with Chinese as smuggling were sooner or later transferred from the C. P. R. wharf as given inferior positions at other wharves. James Harris, landing waite at Eyans, Coleman and Eyans' when and A. W. Schoulter, landing waiter the Great Northern wharf, both to the commission that this had happened to them.

Not so communicative was Sam Ree, head of the Chinese firm of Sam Kee a company, a millionaire merchant, who was also a witness today. Sam Kee was parfectly ganial, but he "did not know." His lack of knowledge was amazing to George E. McCrassan, counsel for the Dominton soyernment, who attempted to examine him.

The only them of information imparted by Sam Kee was that on one occasion when he brought a partner out from China, Collector of Customs Bowell refused to admit him unless he carried one of the now famous Chinese passports, and the partner, not having such a document, was forced to pay the \$500 head tax.

HERE AND THER

cussed there is none in which women are more keenly interested than that of peace. It is natural for women to realize more intensely, if not more fully than man, the horrors of war She has always been the incurner and it has been her part to bear the pair of suspense. Hosband, son, or lover shares in the stern joy of conflict and action gives relief to anxiety and pain But the woman at home must only wait and when the conflict is over bear, too often, after and poverty with what fortitude she can command. To her, war cannot but mean the sacrifice of those she holds dearest in the world, the noble father, the brave husband, the first born son. Yet, in the past, women have, when what they believed to be the voice of duty called, made such sacrifices cheerfully. They have embroidered the banner and such sacrifices cheerfully.

In these later days they have, led by the example of Florence Nightingale cone with the soldiers to the battle field and done much to mitigate the horrors of modern warfare. There the horrors has learned how cruel and how

cause of peace command the sympt of the women of this century. The baye seef with delight that quarrance have been appeased and disputes see the according to the laws of just in modern times, which would, not into ago, have caused constructs to laid waste and cost the lives of the laid waste and cost the lives of the laid waste and cost the lives of the sands of brave men. The news the Carnegle has devoted elegen and a he millions to the furtherance of peach has been received everythere with thankfulness. We have learned to be lieve in the power of money to at compiles great things in these day and there is no reach to doubt the as it furnishes the sinews of war can advance the cause of pages.

But, after all, how useless would the organization and the machinery of war be unless on the decks of the ships and in the ranks of the armies there were men whose hearts were filled a spirit of bravery and patriotism and may we not, in the same way, place too much reliance on what money can be to further the cause of pane? If there were not ambition and greed, prucity and injustice in the world, war would be an impossibility. Carnegical millions cannot do so much to promote the cause of same and the continent.

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There are many men who are working how to remove the diseases which still afflict the men and worken and little children who auffer in the world feday. There will be new discovered to make in the years that are to come. About most of these workers we know all too little. A writer in the London Spectator who has lately visited the besultful fomb of Louis Pasteur tells us something of the benefits this great man bestowed upon mankind.

The writer is one who knew the great scientist and he speaks in glowing terms of his devotion to home, his gentleness, humility, faith, pairlotism, and honor and then goes on to describe his work. It was while studying chemistry as a young man at college that Pasteur discovered his vocation. He became a chemist and before iong

ecame a chemist and before ion ound the ferment in sour milk. He ceame a professor at Lille and study of the common the breweries an intilleries of that city. He taught the rewers and wine enakers both of his way country and of England how to revent evil germs from destroying the choice one ferments. Huxley said of im that he had in this way save france enough to pay the Franco russian war indemnity.

Then he breast his microscope to ear on the silkworms for disease was or its among these insects that the reat industry of France was threat the car industry of France was threat need. When he was first asked to go the sid of the silk growers he tolerent that he knew nothing about the segui insect upon which their prosectly depended. But it was not loss offer he not only discovered a curver the disease which afflicted the likworms but found that such knowledge could be applied to human illise restored prosperity to the silk insistry as he had dene to the wine and ser industry.

Then came the Franco-Pruesian wand although the patriotic Frenchment that the feest very keenly be dust almost to take a mobile revenge lacting France in the highest rank closure. To this end he devoted the set of his life with an almost feven hearnestness.

Science. To this end he devoted the rest of his life with an simost feverals carriedness.

Then he began his studies in preventive medicine, those studies which this writer mays have "brought more blessings to mankind and to animals than the world can recton nor yet sees any sign of the end of them. As he had been able with microscope and flast and little tubes of vesast to teach all countries how to treat the maladiss of wines and Beers, so, with microscope and flast and little tubes of yeast to teach all hospitals the principles of immunity against infective diseases. See him going the round of a great Paris hospital, explaining and enforcing, as a new discovery, the aseptic method: was him in a desiste at the French Academy of Medicina sweeping away, with half-

a defact at the French Academy Medicine, sweeping away, with half broken words, and a sketch on a thickness, which half served the silk trade; now was revolutionising medicine." The bad seved the silk trade; now was revolutionising medicine. The arowning work of Pasteur was discovery of the prevention of its. How many thousands of lives to been sayed by his means it said be impossible to say for his loveries were given to the whole

The writer says of Pasteur that he died holding the crucifix in one hand and his wife's hand in the other. Here was a life, within the limits of humanity, well-nigh perfect. He worked in consumity he went through poverty bereavement, ill health, opposition. He lived to see his doctrines current over all the world, his facts enthroned, his methods applied to a thousand affair of manufacture and agriculture, his science put in practice by all doctors and surgeons, his name praised and blessed by mankind; and the very animals, if they could speak, would say

at It is more than fifteen years sine this great man died, but there is accreely a part of the earth where the benefit of his researches has not been is felt. The work he began is being carteried on and no mother could wish fout her son a nobler career than to be on the of those who, following in the foot steps of the great Frenchman, give the his life for the good of his fellowmen

The Montreal papers publish statments of the financial status of Mohis dil University. These show that, although its affairs are carefully managed, there is a large and growing defced spirit of the people of Montreal and
one of the Province of Queliec to help to
make McGill financially independent
to and so add to its usefulness. We in
British Columbia are grateful to Mos
the Gill for beginning university work
atthe good, not only of Montreal, but
of all Canada if money shouth will

A Congressmen contends that the people of the United States are cheater as shamefully in fabrics as they ever as they are by the adulteration of foods. There is this difference, however, additionally the individual who uses them. The waste is not in being obliged to throw them away but in the disease and cometimes death that follow the use of them. The sum which should be all wool, but is not will not injury the health of the wenter however much he may suffer in emper or in purse. The woman whose table linen is half cotton is not have stored in her housewirely pride. Not as all the sown which contains a liberal admixture of cotton thread, likely to cause its owner any more serious ill has amintonence. But the manufacture who make fortunes by selling such dishonest goods are destroying their

own contacters and taking away the stood name of the nation.

Cantda's industries are atill young. In our own province they are only beginning. It should be the aim of all to see that nothing bears the imprint of Canada which is not what it tlaims to be. It may be generations before we can do some things as well see our neighbors, but we can be honest. To lay such a roundation as will bring this about is work which is begun while the workmen and workwomen of the future are very young, and women have much to do with it.

A quiet welding took place on Sa urtay. Dec. 24, when Mass Jenn Newman of Victoris, B.C., daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Boward Newman, of No timpham, England, and Mr. Ovid Heng Bowman, also of Victoria, were units in matrimony at the home of the Re Mr Milliten, of Vancouven, B.C. Mrs. Bowman left for Seattle and the points. They will make the home in Victoria.

CASE REFERRED
TO PRESIDENT

Pro-British Speech of Commander Sims at Guildhal Banquet Brings Him Attention of Authorities

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The case of Commander S. Sims. of the United States battleship Minifesots, who, according to press reports, delivered a distincily pro-Erifish speech at a banquet at London, December 4, is now in the hands of President Taft.

Ress-Admiral Murdock, commanding the third division of the hands.

the hands of President Taft.

Rear-Admiral Murdock, commanding the third division of the Atlantic fleet, to which the Minnesota is attached has made a cable reply to Secretary Meyer's request, giving the substance of the commander's remarks. Mr. Meyer today referred the matter to the president.

No inkling of the nature of Admira Murdeck's cablegram was obtainable as the Navy Department. Raplying to the welcoming speach of the Lord Mayor of Lord Mayor of the Lord Mayor of Lord Mayor of the Lord Mayor o

Replying to the welcoming speech of the Lord Mayor of Lendon, Commander Sime, eccording to the press dispatches, said that speaking for himself, he believed that if the time ever came when the British empire was menaced by an external enemy, they might count on the property man, every drop of blood, every thip and every dollar of their kin teroes the sea.

It is noted that Commander Sims was careful to say the sentiments he expressed were only his own personal views, and the point is raised as to how far a naval officer can go in publicly declaring his opinions when they hear an international aspect.

Lectured at Island Centra

Mr. M. A. Jull. provincial livestock ommissioner, has just returned from interesting tour of Vancouver island entres, in the course of which instructive short courses were held at Duncan na at Cumberland. Addresses on facilities and the course were held at Duncan na at Cumberland. Addresses on facilities and interest of the course were held at Duncan natically and the course were received with much evident approval by the residents, who brined out in exceptional number and analysis at the codedings from first to last.

Not Visionary Eng

Not Visionary Enough.

"The most visionary beliefs in Vicoria's future are not haif visionary
lough," says Mr. C. A. Harrison, forariy manager of the Driard hotel who
on a brief visit to Victoria. Alough it is some years since Mr. Harson severed his connection with this
y, he considers no Christmas is comsee unless he pays a visit here,
the time he comes to sees many imovements. The spirit of progress he
ya, was never more pronounced than
present. He predicts steady and
er accelerating growth for the city
th which he was formerly identified.

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the which he was formerly identified.

Mr. D. W. Higgins, after spendin Christmas with Seattle friends received the congratulations of score of old-time acquaintances in this cit yesterday) He leaves today for Vancouver.