

UNCLE SAM PROVES OBDURATE.

Will Not Give In an Inch on the Boundary Question.

Secretary Alger Resigns His Position—War Balloons Are Tabooed by the Peace Congress—Liberals Alter Election Returns.

New York, July 20.—A Washington dispatch to the Herald says:

As a result of a conference between Secretary Hay and Senator Fairbanks, Wednesday afternoon, the United States will not withdraw one foot from the line it has fixed in the negotiations with Great Britain as to the boundary line between Alaska and Canada. Much depended upon the character of the report which Senator Fairbanks made to the secretary of state. As a senator, and as a member of the joint high commission, his conclusions after his investigations in Alaska are of a highly important character. The senator reported the situation with respect to the miners as satisfactory, but he has changed his views totally with respect to the disputed territory, and now holds that it is to the interest of his government, as well as to the inhabitants of the territory, to maintain its position. It is understood a meeting of the American members of the commission who are in Washington will be held tomorrow, when the late negotiations will be gone over and the final decision of the United States reached, not only with respect to the Alaskan question, but with reference to the various other matters in dispute between the United States and Canada. Just what will be the result of the dispute cannot be said, but an official who talked remarked that it was well for the friendly relations between the two governments that a solid framework of amicable negotiations be commenced.

Following the conference between Senator Fairbanks and Secretary Hay, as well as with the president, dispatches have been exchanged between the British and Canadian authorities and those in Washington. Already it is assured, practically beyond a doubt, that the commission will not resume its sessions at Quebec on the 2d of next month, to which time it was adjourned, but that its reassembling will be in the fall, if the negotiations reach a stage that a continual commission seems desirable.

Thus far the boundary question appears to be the great stumbling block. This lack of agreement has continued so long that those in a position to judge of the situation intelligently, while they have not despaired of an adjustment, frankly admit that the negotiations continue to be in a critical state. When seen today, Mr. Fairbanks would not discuss the future of the commission or any of the internal phases of the subject. The senator had another conference with Secretary Hay this morning, and also called at the war department. Notwithstanding a rapid change of telegrams during the day, between Senator Fairbanks in this city and Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Ottawa, at the close of office hours no arrangement had been reached as to the program of the joint high commission. Some interest attaches to this apparent transfer of the negotiations from the hands of Messrs. Choate and Lord Salisbury in London to Senator Fairbanks and Sir Wilfrid Laurier on this side, and perhaps it is this change in the personality of the negotiations that have given rise to the renewed hope of a resumption of the commission.

GREEN'S DOWNFALL.

DETROIT, Mich., July 16.—The political enemies of Governor Pingree are jubilant over the present state of affairs. They consider that the action of the supreme court in declaring unconstitutional the governor's pet hobby of the municipal ownership of street railways has sealed his political doom. Pingree, on the other hand, is still hopeful, and says he will renew the fight as mayor of Detroit.

HOW THE Czar's HEIR DIED.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 15.—The following details of the death of the czarowitz appear in the Official Messenger: The czarowitz went for a ride on a benzine motor at 9 o'clock on the morning of July 10 from Abbas Tuman. He went very fast for two weeks and then turned. A peasant woman, passing, said that as he turned the machine he slackened its pace and he was spitting blood. He stopped and alighted, swaying as he did so. The woman ran up, supported him and asked what was the matter. The prince replied, "Nothing." The woman offered him water and the prince made an affirmative gesture. She bathed his temples and mouth. Death then supervened, peacefully and painlessly.

SIoux INDIANS STRANDED.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—A party of twelve Sioux Indians, traveling with a wild west show in foreign lands, is expected to be left stranded in Germany, and through official representations to the state department funds have been ordered advanced to them by the American embassy in case the expected happens. The party was employed by the show, unknown to this government, and taken quietly over the Canadian line and thence to Europe. The show people have let slip an intention to drop them after their present run there, and Secretary Hay, upon learning this from Mr. Jackson, our charge at Berlin, instructed him to provide for their return here if left helpless.

ENLISTING COLORED MEN.

BOSTON, July 15.—The Post will say tomorrow: An uprising of the colored race against the administration at Washington is being organized in Boston. This is the seat of the movement that is proposed to be spread wherever the colored people are populous. The instigators as-

sert that it will mean the downfall of McKinley, imperialism and the Republican party. The object of this organization is a revolt at the ballot box. But there are those among its supporters who would willingly take part in an armed uprising and who, were it possible, would offer their strength to aid the Filipinos in their struggle for independence. On Monday evening the first meeting of the Boston colored auxiliary of the National Anti-Imperialist League will be held in St. Paul Baptist Church, Tremont and Camden streets. Dr. Jerome Wiley, of Washington, D. C., a writer on negro sufferings and president of the auxiliary movement, came from the seat of government last week and had several conferences with Edward Atkinson and Irving Winslow, preparatory to the work of organization. It has now been decided to establish these branches all over the land.

ALTERED ELECTION RETURNS.

OTTAWA, July 20.—The revelations in the West Huron election case are of a most scandalous character. At the committee today it was clearly shown that in poll 4, Township Colborne, official ballots marked for Maclean, the Conservative candidate, were abstracted and fourteen bogus ballots marked for the government candidate substituted. Even Liberal members present had to admit that the fourteen were bogus, as they were produced to the committee, and the difference in printing and paper clearly shown.

The Senate threw out the Gerrymander bill, by 36 to 14.

SPANISH LAWYERS SHUT OUT.

MANILA, July 20.—An order has been issued regulating practice before the court, and substituting the American for the Spanish regulations in many important respects. Members of the bar must be residents of the island. Members of the American bar are eligible. The order gives the court sole power to determine the qualifications of attorney, which heretofore has been a function of the bar association, and the church schools have controlled admissions to the bar. The changes outlined have been made in accordance with the wishes of the Filipinos, and disappoint the Spaniards, who petitioned to be admitted to the bar without renouncing allegiance to Spain.

DEWEY WANTS HIS OWN.

WASHINGTON, July 15.—Admiral Dewey today filed in the court of claims, through his attorneys, his claim for naval bounty growing out of the battle in Manila bay, May 1, 1898. This is the first of this class of claims filed in this court, and it is anticipated that there will be between 4,000,000 and 5,000 of them altogether.

TOLD IN BRIEF.

The peace conference has decided to prohibit the use of war balloons.

London suffered from an unprecedented degree of heat on the 20th, the temperature reaching 87.

Secretary of war Alger resigned his position in President McKinley's cabinet on the 20th, and it was accepted by the president without any expressions of regret. It took effect August 1st.

The people of the United States are suffering from the attacks of kissing bugs, so called. It usually attacks the lips and the sting is followed by intense pain and swelling.

King of the Water Front.

An incident which illustrates the position of eminence to which Mr. Brown, the King of the Water Front, had climbed before Col. Steele knocked the pedestal from under him, transpired on Saturday morning. A Nugget man had stopped Constable Skirving to bid him the time of day, when Mr. Beals, the canine bogie man, accompanied by a stranger, came up.

"Constable," said the dark man, courteously—over grandly, as is his style, "can you tell me where I can find Inspector Brown this morning?"

"Inspector Brown? Who is he?" queried the tall member of the N. W. M. P.

"Why, Inspector Brown—the meat inspector," returned Mr. Beals, and he seemed to unconsciously exhibit a sense of pity for the other's evident ignorance.

"Dr. Good is the only man I know of who is empowered to inspect meat," said the officer.

"Well, Mr. Brown has been inspecting meat for some time, and this man here has some bad meat that I wanted Mr. Brown to inspect so he couldn't sell it."

The constable continued to evidence that he was dense on the subject of "Inspector Brown's powers and duties, besides which he had not seen him that morning, so the bogie man continued on his way.

Consul McCook Going Home.

Consul J. C. McCook is going home, if his statements to several friends prove to be true. The reason for this action—depending upon the same statements again—is that the consul is not making money enough to suit him. "There is more money in making candy," he said to one friend, and he handed him a card bearing a picture of a candy factory at Philadelphia, which he says is his. The consul did not fix a definite date for his departure, but said it would be sometime in September.

Notwithstanding the consul's statements to the contrary, there are others who contend that his intended departure is not of his choice and volition; that, in fact, he has been given a friendly trip from home that his late doings in Dawson are not to be condoned or overlooked by his government, and that he will avoid a public dismissal by quietly dropping out.

The American citizens who are cognizant of the consul's intentions have not shed any tears over it as yet, and it is not expected that there will be a great deal of emotion exhibited by anybody.

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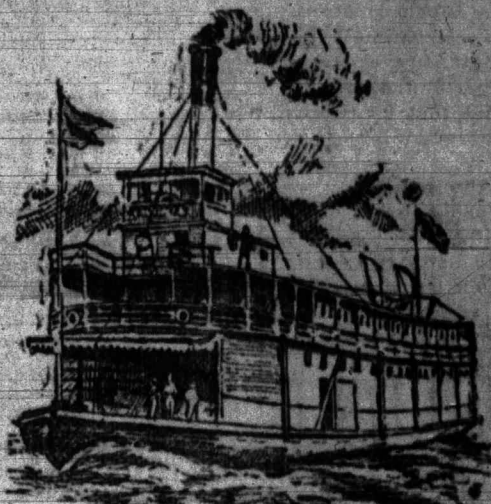
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