

Post Office Clerks Hold a Convention. New York, Jan. 23.—A conference was held at the International hotel...

Considered Doubtful. LONDON, Jan. 23.—Nothing has been published here in regard to the report that the Bank of England has recently been a heavy purchaser of silver bullion...

Blockading the Trains. MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 23.—A special to the Tribune from Huron, S. D., says: The snow has been drifting all day, filling railroad cuts and blockading trains...

Bonded the Property. PORTLAND, ME., Jan. 23.—An English syndicate has bonded the Portland smelting works and the Curtis ship yard property...

A Terrible Shooting Affray. AUSTIN, TEX., Jan. 23.—News was received this morning of a terrible shooting affray at Johnston city, Blanco county...

Another Conflict. ST. PAUL, MINN., Jan. 24.—A Pierre, S. D., special to the Pioneer Press says the trouble has broken out again on the mile square between the intending settlers and the Indians...

No Information Yet Received. NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The agents of the railroad steamship line stated that they have no additional information regarding the steamship Erin...

Cigarette Makers Meet. NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 23.—A meeting was held here today at the Continental hotel of leading tobacco and cigarette manufacturers...

Census Districts. Bulletin No. 1 of the census bureau just issued by Superintendent Robert P. Porter gives the following census districts for the state of Nebraska:

First District—Adams, Butler, Chase, Clay, Dundy, Fillmore, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gosper, Hamilton, Harlin, Hays, Hitchcock, Jefferson, Kearney, Nuckolls, Phelps, Polk, Red Willow, Saline, Seward, Thayer, Webster, and York counties.

Drank Carbolic Acid. RED BANK, N. J., Jan. 23.—Charles Magee, postmaster at Helm, Del., died from the effects of carbolic acid, which he drank Saturday afternoon.

An Uprising Imminent. BRADFORD, PA., Jan. 22.—A special to the Era from Pannatsawee says: There is much excitement here over an outrage perpetrated by the Pinkerton force last night. A Hungarian miner who was passing a locomotive received a shower of cinders which nearly blinded him.

Murdered by Germans. CHATTLENSBURG, KY., Jan. 22.—R. M. Long, a Wyandotte county constable, was murdered and his wife desperately wounded Sunday night by a band of ruffians who broke into the house.

The millionaires of Fremont have taken an increased interest in speculation since the completion of a through private wire over which pointers are received from the New York and Chicago markets.

COMPLICATIONS INCREASING

The Condition of Affairs Between England and Portugal very strained. LONDON, Jan. 21.—The complications arising from the dispute between England and Portugal are rapidly increasing.

It is stated upon good authority that the firm of Armstrongs, gunmakers, intend to establish an immense ship yard in the United States and bid, through Americans interested in the enterprise, for the construction of the ironclad vessels which it is proposed to build for the United States navy.

The conversion of the Russian 5 per cent gold loan is about concluded. The German tin trust has been formally dissolved, much to the gratification of the smaller dealers and to the relief of the parties thereto.

Heavy Snows in the West. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 21.—The snow blockade on the Central Pacific railroad in the vicinity of Truckee and Emigrant Gap has become very serious.

Negroes on a Strike. APALACHICOLA, FLA., Jan. 22.—The negroes employed in the saw mills here are on a strike for ten hours a day's work and for higher wages.

Murdered by Mexicans. ATLANTA, GA., Jan. 24.—"Tug" Wilson, a printer known all over the country, was found dead at the top of the Constitution building yesterday.

Attacked by Mexicans. SAN ANTONIO, TEX., Jan. 30.—A private letter from Fort Davis states that while three prospectors and their families were encamped near that place they were attacked by Mexicans and two of the men killed.

Blockade Broken.

PORTLAND, ORE., Jan. 22.—The first through train for the past week arrived here this evening at 5 o'clock over the Union Pacific railroad from the east.

The Snow Blockade. SACRAMENTO, CAL., Jan. 23.—The train dispatches on the Central Pacific this morning reports the situation as follows: The favorable weather of yesterday enabled satisfactory progress to be made at all points and a great deal was accomplished.

Follows the Leaders. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24.—The Missouri Pacific has followed the Chicago & Alton and Wabash, and has made a live stock rate of 7 1/2 cents from the Missouri river and intermediate points to St. Louis and East St. Louis.

Battell Professorship of Music. NEW HAVEN, CONN., Jan. 24.—At a meeting of the Yale corporation it was voted to establish a department of music and Gustave J. Stechow, for many years musical director at Yale, was placed in charge.

A Great Diamond Robbery. MONTREAL, JAN. 22.—Monday night when the streets in the neighborhood were crowded, two men walked up to Walker's diamond store in Notre Dame street and tied the doors together with ropes.

A Distressing Accident. CHICAGO, JAN. 21.—A most distressing accident, which resulted in the death of four persons, occurred at Rose Hill cemetery, a few miles from here on the C. & N. road, this afternoon.

Train Held Up. TELARE, CAL., JAN. 22.—The south-bound passenger train was stopped this morning by two masked men seven miles north of here. They climbed over the tender and compelled the engineer and fireman to stop the train and leave it.

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THE NEW SILVER BILL.

The Administrative Bill on the Silver Bullion Question Ready to be Introduced.—Text of the Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.—The following is the text of the administrative bill prepared by Secretary Windom embodying the silver measure proposed in his annual report, and which will be introduced in both the house and senate during this week, probably tomorrow.

A Bill Authorizing the Issue of Treasury Notes on Deposits of Silver Bullion.—Be It Enacted, etc.: That any owner of silver bullion, the product of the mines of the United States or of ones smelted or refined in United States may deposit the same at any coinage mint or any assay office in the United States that the secretary of the treasury may designate and receive therefor treasury notes hereinafter provided for equal at the date of deposit to the net value of such silver at the market price, such price to be determined by the secretary.

Sec. 3.—That the secretary of the treasury shall cause to be prepared treasury notes in such amounts as may be required for the purpose of the above section and in such form and denominations as he may prescribe; provided that no notes shall be of a denomination less than \$1 nor more than \$1,000.

Sec. 4.—That the notes issued under this act shall be receivable for customs, taxes and all public debts and when received into the treasury may be reissued, and such notes, when held by any national banking association, shall be counted as part of its lawful reserve.

Sec. 5.—That when the market price of silver, as determined by the secretary of the treasury, shall exceed \$1 for 371.25 grains of pure silver, it shall be the duty of the secretary of the treasury to refuse to receive deposits of silver bullion for the purpose of this act.

Sec. 6.—That it shall be lawful for the secretary of the treasury, with the approval of the president of the United States, to suspend temporarily the receipt of silver bullion for treasury notes at any time when he is satisfied that through combinations or speculative manipulation of the market the price of silver is arbitrary, nominal or fictitious.

Sec. 7.—That the silver bullion deposited under this act, represented by treasury notes which have been redeemed in gold coin or in silver dollars may be counted in standard silver dollars or any other denomination of silver coin now authorized by law, for the purpose of replacing the coin used in the redemption of the notes.

Sec. 8.—That so much of the act of February 28, 1878, entitled "An act to authorize the coinage of the standard silver dollar and to restore its legal tender character," as requires the monthly purchase and coinage into silver dollars of not less than \$2,000,000 nor more than \$4,000,000 worth of silver bullion be hereby repealed.

Sec. 9.—That any gain or seigniorage arising from the coinage which may be executed under the provisions of this act shall be accounted for and paid into the treasury as provided by existing law.

Sec. 10.—That silver bullion received under the provisions of this act shall be subject to the requirements of existing law and the regulations of the mint service governing the methods of receipt, determining the amount of pure silver contained and the amount of charges or deductions, if any, to be made.

The Snow Blockade.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 22.—The prospects are that the great snow blockade on the Central Pacific railroad will be cleared tonight or tomorrow. Clear weather is reported at all stations from Rocklin to Truckee, with one or two exceptions.

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NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

Maywood, Frontier county, is to have a bank. There are 100 inmates of the Nebraska soldiers' home. Otoe county spent \$11,000 last year for new bridges.

Battle Creek supports both German and English schools. There are 100 inmates of the soldiers' home at Grand Island. A movement is on foot to establish a creamery at Clearwater.

Senator Paddock is moving to prevent low bridges over the Missouri. Adams has a new paper, the Globe just established by Mr. Hill of Firth. Pawnee City has found it necessary to create the office of city plumber.

The new Omaha post-office bill calls for an appropriation of \$2,000,000. Evening coasting parties are popular on the seven hills of Nebraska City. The undertakers of Clay county have formed an association and elected officers.

One citizen of Fremont offers a site worth \$20,000 as a bonus for a beet sugar factory. It cost Thurston county about \$1,500 to try the Indians for the killing of the Benjamin boy. Robert Ashley has been confirmed as Indian agent of the Omaha and Winnebago agency.