

MORALES A FUGITIVE

NO INTENTION OF INTERVENING IN SANTO DOMINGO YET.

President of Dominican Republic Leaves Capital to Operate With Arms Against Cabinet—Captain of Puerto Plata Slain.

Washington, Dec. 27.—For the present there will not be any interference by the United States in the difficulty which has arisen in Santo Domingo. The trouble is regarded by the state department officials as entirely an internal one, and so long as outside interests are not menaced this attitude of non-intervention will be maintained. If, however, conditions should change materially and lawless acts should be committed against Americans and American interests and involving the collection of the Dominican customs by this government or other acts of violence occur, which would make it possible for this government to interfere, this step will be taken and measures taken to quell the disturbance.

Advices received at the state and navy departments from Santo Domingo indicate that a serious condition of affairs exists there. The captain of the port of Puerto Plata has been shot and killed during an insurrectionary movement and the governor of that province has defied the general government and barricaded the town. The Dominican government has issued a decree removing the governor.

The secretary of war received the following cablegram from Receiver of the Dominican Customs Edwards:

"Carlos F. Morales dissatisfied with cabinet support; left capital last night with few followers. His intention is said to be to join the followers of Jimenez in opposition to those of Horacio. Conflicts between the two forces are imminent, probably vicinity of San Juan or vicinity of Puerto Plata. Carlos F. Morales may make attempt to establish new capital and create a new cabinet. Political excitement, but without disturbances here. Receivership is not affected yet."

SCHOONER WRECKED, SEVEN DR

Mate of the Sakata Found Clinging to Capsized Vessel.

Tampa, Fla., Dec. 27.—The three-masted schooner Sakata of Petersburg, N. S., has been wrecked and its entire crew of at least seven men drowned, except Second Mate John F. Williams of St. John, N. B. The drowned include: John Colon, managing owner of the schooner, and his son. The wreck was reported by Captain Lermond of the schooner Helen Thomas, which arrived from Galveston. Captain Lermond first sighted the capsized schooner on Dec. 23. He sent a boat to the wreck. The men found Mate Williams clinging to the vessel and he had been without food or drink for four days. Hunger had forced him to eat a portion of his oil coat. The wrecked schooner was found for Havana.

Bullock Warmly Welcomed.

Deadwood, Dec. 26.—Captain Seth Bullock, who was recently appointed United States marshal of South Dakota, has returned home and was accorded a warm reception here by his many friends. Captain Bullock states that he will have his headquarters at Sioux Falls and there will be no change in the deputy marshals for the time being at least. He will take up his new work Feb. 1. He will be succeeded as foreman supervisor by J. F. Smith of C.

Shot in Jail.

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vista, Kan., were killed here while crossing the railway tracks, their carriage being struck and demolished by an engine. Mrs. Woodward was the wife of ex-Probate Judge Woodward of this county.

Coal Mine Shaft Building Burns.
Spring Valley, Ill., Dec. 26.—The shaft building of the Marquette Third Vein Coal company, three miles from here, was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$250,000 and there is no insurance.

Fire at Nebraska City.
Nebraska City, Dec. 23.—Fire gutted the large brewery of Mattes Brewing company. Loss, \$25,000. The plant will be rebuilt at once.

Found Dead in Salt Creek.
Lincoln, Dec. 26.—The body of an unknown negro was found in Salt creek. He was about sixty years of age and in his pocket was a ticket to Fairmont. It is not known how he met his death.

Mickey Makes Answer to Manderson.
Lincoln, Dec. 22.—Governor Mickey, in answer to the allegations of Charles F. Manderson, has made a compilation of the real estate values of 1903 and 1904. He finds that there were decided increases in the eastern counties since 1904.

Prisoners Are Brought Back.
Kearney, Neb., Dec. 26.—When Sheriff Sammons arrived with Gillette, Warner and Engelbrecht, the three jailbreakers, over 300 citizens were at the depot to meet them and when they alighted they were greeted with loud cheers. Over 100 people followed them to the jail, where they will be kept handcuffed until taken to the penitentiary.

Hunting Buried Gold.
Sioux City, Dec. 21.—Relatives of R. R. Mann, who died Nov. 12, are searching for \$2,500 in gold which a paper left by him says is buried in a lot in South Sioux City, Neb. The lot is covered with weeds now and it has been impossible to locate the copper box supposed to hold the gold. The paper describing the hidden money has just been found by Mrs. Phoebe Addington, daughter of the deceased man.

PRESIDENT REMOVES BAXTER.

Axe Falls on United States District Attorney for Nebraska.

Washington, Dec. 26.—President Roosevelt has removed District Attorney Baxter of Nebraska and Senators Millard and Burkett will be notified at once of the vacancy.

District Attorney Baxter, on advice of his friends, refused to resign. It is understood Mr. Baxter, in reply to the request of the attorney general for his resignation, wrote that official that he declines to resign, as it would be an admission on his part that the prosecution of Richards and Comstock was a farce. This, he says, was not the case, and having the consciousness of having done his full duty while district attorney, leaves the matter with the president.

Just when the successor to Baxter will be named is problematical. Senator Millard leaves for Nebraska on Thursday to remain a week and he hopes to have action on the Baxter succession postponed until his return to Washington.

Senator Burkett, ever since Baxter's requested resignation was made public, has quietly insisted that the new district attorney should come from the South Platte. It is now thought that Senator Millard has pledged his support to the creation of a new federal district in the South Platte, which will give Senator Burkett the right to name an entire new force. United States district judge, district attorney and marshal, and with this understanding Burkett has tacitly agreed that Senator Millard shall name Baxter's successor, who will be an Omaha man.

AFTER LAND GRABBERS.

Special Grand Jury Will Be Summoned at Omaha.

Omaha, Dec. 26.—Within thirty days after the district attorney's office has been filled it is highly probable that a special federal grand jury will be summoned. This will be necessary by the work accomplished by twenty-five special agents who have been busy during the past six months in collecting evidence in numerous fraudulent homestead entries. These officers of the government have been under the direction of the district attorney, Pollock, and in addition to the work of men, about ten special agents have been employed about the most flagrant cases of subornation of perjury with government piracy.

In the George G. case the fraudulent entries were submitted to the court and set for Jan. 2. The case is charged with conspiracy and unlawful filings for a Hooker county, which is alleged to be a government land office. Lambert and Harry are charged jointly with

Ware. In each of the Nebraska land districts the special agents have uncovered many fraudulent entries which will be presented to the special grand jury as soon as it is summoned. The indictments of ex-United States Commissioner Babcock and Frank Allen of Chadron grew out of these investigations. The authorities learned that soldiers from Fort Robertson, about thirty of them, had been paid \$5 each to make fraudulent homestead entries. Servant girls were also paid to take up homesteads and then relinquish their rights to the ranchmen for a small consideration.

A similar sort of thing was done in the Niobrara forest reserve. The Federal Cattle company is to stand trial for the inclosure of that vast tract, which includes something over 200,000 acres.

It is understood that the arrest of not less than a dozen persons is soon to follow in connection with the Richards-Comstock filings.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Indian Frozen to Death.
Sioux City, Dec. 26.—John Southwind, a giant Winnebago Indian, came over to Sioux City and indulged in freshwater. He was found on a sandbank frozen to death.

No Fees in Dipsomaniac Cases.
Lincoln, Dec. 23.—The dipsomaniac statute, the law formulated by Senator Epperson in the last legislature, will be tested in the courts. It is alleged that the act does not provide for official fees. Deputy County Attorney Tyrrell filed an opinion with the county commissioners stating that under the law fees could not be allowed. Several members of the county board had filed expense accounts. He advised that these be refused.

Indian Charged With Murder.
Pender, Neb., Dec. 23.—James Parker, a young Omaha Indian, is under arrest, charged with the crime of killing Bryan Preston, a young Omaha Indian, son of White Weasel, a well known Omaha. Preston has not been seen for several days, all efforts to find him proving futile. One theory is that the two Indians got into a drunken quarrel and that Parker disposed of Preston by killing him and putting the body under the ice.

Thompson Goes to Mexico.
Washington, Dec. 23.—Official announcement was made that David E. Thompson, ambassador to Brazil, has been chosen as ambassador to Mexico. Herbert H. D. Peirce, third assistant secretary of state, has been selected by the president as the first American minister to Norway. Charles Denby, chief clerk of the department, has been determined upon as successor to Mr. Peirce in the state department. This announcement was made officially at the department.

Missouri Pacific Cuts Grain Rate.
Omaha, Dec. 23.—Effective Jan. 1 the Missouri Pacific will establish a new rate on all grain between Omaha and lower Missouri river points, including Kansas City. This rate will be 5½ cents per 100 pounds. Heretofore the rate has been 11 cents on wheat and 10 cents on corn. This is a new factor in the rate war raging between gulf roads and eastern roads and is generally believed a pull for gulf ports as against the low rates to Baltimore and New York.

Woman Has Two Husbands.
Omaha, Dec. 22.—Judge Sears set aside the decree of divorce granted to Mrs. Zenetta Ball July 8. The court, in his finding, says the evidence on which the original decree was granted was false. Thus Mrs. Ball finds herself with two husbands on her hands, one living in Omaha, Robert A. Ball, and the other, whom she married in Council Bluffs, M. A. Sweeney. Ball, in his petition, set up that his wife had lulled him into nonresistance of the original suit by telling him she was going to withdraw the petition.

Clemency for Prisoner.
Lincoln, Dec. 21.—Governor Mickey issued a commutation to Frederick Sargent, a Madison county man sentenced in 1893 to twenty years in the state penitentiary for wife murder. Sargent, who has served twelve years, and is the oldest inmate of the prison in point of service, will be released on New Year day. He has been a trusty for several years. He killed his wife in a rage over her alleged unfaithfulness. The governor has commuted the three-year sentence of John H. Blair, a York county farmer, sentenced for statutory assault upon a young woman last year, to take effect Dec. 24.

Nebraska to Make Examination.
Lincoln, Dec. 23.—State Auditor Searle said that it may be necessary for his department to make an independent examination into the affairs of New York insurance companies seeking to do business in Nebraska. His statement was made after reading the published testimony of Commissioner Hendricks, indicating, as the auditor claimed, laxity of his examination. Heretofore it has been

the customary thing for the insurance commissioners of Nebraska to accept the examination of the officials of the home state of an insurance concern as a guarantee that it could comply with the statutory requirements. Auditor Searle said this method probably would be changed.

MOB NEARLY KILLS WIFEBEATER

Ridden on Rail, Clubbed, Kicked and Left to Die Alone.

Plainview, Neb., Dec. 23.—Because he did not leave town as ordered by the court, Henry Haack of Cole Ridge, convicted of beating his wife, was the victim of mob violence. With his nose broken, all the clothes torn from his person, a jaw fractured, hair torn from the scalp, both eyes swollen shut, his body bruised, his lungs full of water, he was left to die by a lonely road.

Hours later a sympathetic farmer found him, unconscious and ready to expire. He brought the unfortunate to town and sought medical aid. It is thought Haack cannot live. He had gone through an awful ordeal. The angry crowd placed him astride a small rail and carried him about the street. He was thrown into several watering tanks and nearly drowned. For four miles he was driven like a beast, was kicked and pounded with fists and clubs. When they were sure he had been tortured sufficiently so that he would never be able to beat his wife again, the tormentors abandoned their prey.

CLOSE CALL FOR ALL GUESTS.

Big Hotel at Los Angeles Burns at Early Hour in the Morning.

Los Angeles, Dec. 26.—In the largest fire in the history of Los Angeles the Van Nuys Broadway hotel, one of the first class hostleries of the city, located at 412-422 South Broadway, in the heart of the business district, was almost completely destroyed. One hundred and ten guests, most of whom were still in bed at the time the fire broke out, escaped in their scant clothing to the street. Many of them got out in their night robes and practically all suffered the loss of their entire baggage and personal effects. Six firemen were injured during the progress of the flames by the collapse of the rear of the second floor. They were all precipitated into the basement and all suffered more or less serious injuries.

T. H. Benton, ex-state auditor of Nebraska, wife and daughter, occupied rooms on the fourth floor, and barely escaped with their lives, losing all their valuables, baggage and money, estimated at \$5,000.

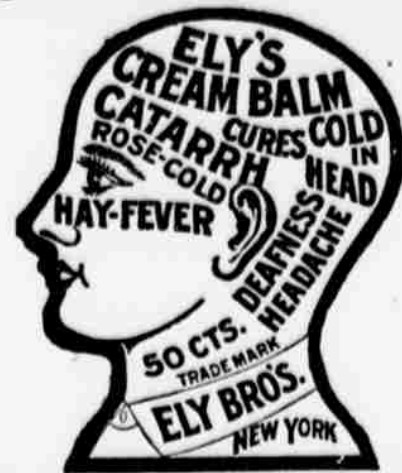
Demands of Anthracite Miners.
Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—President John Mitchell of the United Mine Workers' union has communicated with the presidents of the anthracite coal producing companies in regard to the demands the miners will make for the continuance of work in the hard coal fields. It is understood the latter is in regard to holding a conference between the committee representing the mine workers and the operators. As to what the operators will do, it has not been definitely decided upon. Besides asking for an eight-hour day, there are also to be presented other demands. The most important, and one that, if adopted, will mean the complete recognition of the union, is the request that an entire new conciliation board be formed.

Enraged Negro Shot to Death.
Paducah, Ky., Dec. 26.—In a battle between a policeman and John Tice, a one-legged negro flagman for the Illinois Central, who had barricaded himself in his tower at Eleventh and Broadway, Patrolman James Clark was shot twice in the hip and Tice was riddled by scores of people with rifles and pistols from the surrounding streets and roofs. The negro became enraged at some one throwing bricks at his tower and began firing from the tower at people on the street below. When the police attempted to arrest him, he fired on them until he was killed.

Construction Work Suspended.
Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—In compliance with orders from headquarters at Chicago, construction work on the Indianapolis division of the Southern Indiana railroad, one of John R. Walsh's enterprises, has been suspended and over 300 men are without employment. Simultaneously with the suspension of work on the Indianapolis division, extra men were rushed to the Chicago division, where the construction of the line from Terre Haute to Chicago Heights will be rushed to completion.

Sues Estate for Pew Rent.
Sioux Falls, S. D., Dec. 26.—A local attorney has returned from Hartford, where he represented Charles Harnish and W. B. Knott, executors of the estate of Franceska Kampf in a suit of unusual character. The suit was instituted by St. George's Catholic church of Hartford for the purpose of recovering from the estate of the dead woman a sum of money claimed to be due for pew rent, church dues and funeral expenses. The plaintiff was granted a judgment of \$50 and costs.

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Two Skaters Drowned. Parnassus, Pa., Dec. 26.—May Freund and Cecilia Koeffler were drowned while skating on Puckey creek, near this place. Their companions, Edward Southworth and William Coughy, were rescued in an exhausted condition, but both will recover.