

J. WELFTH YEAR.

LAW OF THE LAND.

A Variety of Important Bulings Issued by the General Land Office.

One Which Settles a Contest at Bloomington, Neb.

A Dangerous Counterfeit With a Blame Contention Circulating in the West

Political Ague Becoming Epidemic Among Certain Officeholders.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

IMPORTANT LAND OFFICE BULINGS.

WASHINGTON, November 14.—Acting Secretary Joslyn to-day decided that where a settler has failed to comply with the law in making improvements, but has tilled the land and his failure to build is shown to have been caused by climatic influences, he should be allowed a further period of six months within which to establish residences.

In the case of Christian F. Eisinger, of Bloomington, Neb., against Daniel Hearle, Acting Secretary Joslyn to-day decided that Eisinger acquired no right by presentation of application for timber culture entry during the vacancy in the office of receiver, and that consequently the tract in controversy was inappropriate on the day of Hearle's application. The decision establishes an important precedent which will govern similar cases.

Acting Secretary of the Interior Joslyn to-day decided that the statutes restrict a contest against prior timber culture entry to one who seeks to enter under the homestead or timber culture laws. In the absence of application there is no right of contest.

In the decision rendered to-day the acting secretary of the interior holds that a contest for land title instituted by a parent cannot be transferred or inherited by a child, even though it shall appear that the contest was instituted for the child's benefit.

Commissioner McFarland, in a recent decision, declares that where a person has failed to make entry to a tract of land through being misinformed of his rights by local officers, when otherwise entitled to make entry, will be protected by the department and loss nothing unless required to do so by the actual demands of the law.

On April 4, 1881, the president issued a proclamation reserving from sale certain lands in Wisconsin which, it was thought, would be required for reservoir purposes on the headwaters of the Mississippi and St. Croix rivers. This proclamation was based upon the engineers' reports. From subsequent reports it appears that the land reserved will not be required.

The president, by another proclamation, releases the lands embraced in the former. The acting secretary of the interior holds that cash entries of land reserved by the first proclamation made after the date of the proclamation but before its reception at the local office are illegal, as the proclamation went into effect from its date and not from its receipt at the local office. The acting secretary has referred said entries to a board for equitable adjudication.

Acting Secretary Joslyn has decided the case of Williams vs. the heirs of Hodgman, at Benson, Minn., in favor of the heirs. It appears that Hodgman made an entry on the land of Williams on the ground that Williams died and left his entry incomplete. The acting secretary holds that the heirs should be allowed to complete the entry.

It is believed some of the aged clerks in the post-office department will be weeded out of the street for the month. Many of them are said to be incapacitated for duty. The Star says some removals will also be made because the clerks refused to pay assessments.

MELVILLE to-day continued the account of his land trip, giving no new or interesting points.

CONTENDED SEATS. It is estimated there will be fifty contested election cases for the house of representatives in the next congress.

FIGHTING CLERKS. For some time past there has been an unpleasantness existing between the chief clerk of the revenue marine and his deputy, Mr. Trevitt, of New York state. Some months ago the deputy made a desperate attempt to succeed the chief, but failed. To-day it was decided to supersede this deputy. It is thought quite probable the assistant appointment clerk will be selected to fill the vacancy.

COUNTERFEIT SILVER DOLLARS. Chief Brooks, of the secret service of the treasury department, has received a sample of counterfeit silver dollars, which are being extensively circulated, especially in the west. The coin is very heavily plated, resists the acid tests unless deeply cut before applied, has a ring similar to the genuine, and is of the exact weight. Officers of the department consider the counterfeit one of the most dangerous that has yet appeared.

CAPT. GEO. T. OLMSTEAD, JR., has been ordered to Fresno, Arizona, to relieve First Lieutenant Fred K. Ward, First cavalry, in charge of the California and Arizona division of the United States military telegraph line. Lieutenant Ward repairs to this city.

DREDGING THE POTOMAC. The secretary of war to-day approved the recommendation of the chief of engineers, that the contract for dredging the Potomac river, near Washington, under the recent act of congress, be awarded to P. Sanford

Ross, of Jersey City, who was the lowest responsible bidder, and the contract will be awarded him.

Ex-Senator Dorsey has arrived here from New Mexico, for the purpose of being present at the commencement of new trial.

Senator Logan left this evening for New York.

HIGH OFFICIALS. Secretary Teller is expected to arrive here to-night.

Secretaries Lincoln and Chandler are here.

Mr. James R. Young entered upon his duties as chief clerk of the department of justice, to-day.

Postmaster General Howe said to-day that he had no intention of resigning.

THE NATIONAL SENATE.

A Republican Majority. Beyond a Doubt.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

CHICAGO, November 14.—Careful revision of returns and of estimates of probable results of the election in the nineteen states which will elect senators as soon as their legislatures meet, makes it seem probable there will be a republican majority of from two to four after March 4. Fourteen democrats, eleven republicans, and one independent remain the senate March 4.

There remain 25 democrats, 26 republicans, and Mahone. Of the 25 new senators, seven have already been elected, three democrats, three republicans, and Riddleberger. There remain 19 senators to be elected, and to control the senate, the republicans need 10 more, while the democrats need 13. After the election in states which are sure to elect republican and democratic senators, the two parties will be a tie at thirty-six. There will remain to settle the question, the states of Colorado and Nebraska. The senate would be a tie if Colorado and Nebraska should both elect democrats.

The only chance of the democrats to obtain control of the senate is in the event that both Colorado and Nebraska shall elect democrats and that Mahone and Riddleberger shall abandon their republican allies and vote with the democrats. Both these contingencies are unlikely to occur. It is very much more probable that Colorado and Nebraska will both elect republicans and that Mahone and Riddleberger will continue with republicans, in which event the republican majority in the senate will be four.

Heaven's Command.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

WASHINGTON, Pa., November 14.—Richard Hoffman, of Somerset township, has been paralyzed for years, being paralyzed in his lower limbs and he was compelled to use a wheel chair. On last Thursday he crawled behind a barn, and while engaged in prayer heard a voice say, "Arise and walk." He obeyed the command and has been walking ever since.

Cigarmakers' Strike.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

DAVENPORT, Iowa, November 14.—The employes of Kuhn's tobacco factory struck to-day because of the reduced wages paid forty girls, assistant cigarmakers. The reduction was from \$2 to \$1.50 per thousand bunches. The number of men engaged in the strike is 280.

The University of Pennsylvania.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

PHILADELPHIA, November 14.—The trustees of the university of Pennsylvania held a special meeting to-day. The application of Florence Kelley and Frances H. Nutchell for admission to the university was not considered, Provost Pepper stating he deemed the decision arrived at in last meeting in the case of Miss Craddock as conclusive and bearing upon these applications quite as much as upon the particular one in question. This was to the effect that it is not expedient at present to afford women access to the departments of arts, but that the board of trustees of the university will organize a separate collegiate department for the ample and complete education of women whenever the funds necessary to defray the expenses of such annex shall be provided. The board believed \$300,000 will be certainly required for the purpose. A resolution declaring that any of the degrees or honors of the university may be conferred upon women who shall pass the proper examinations was offered and favorably considered, but it was thought best, however, to refer the matter to a committee. A subscription of \$10,000 was received from J. B. Lippincott for the establishment of a veterinary college in connection with the university.

The National Grange.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

INDIANAPOLIS, November 14.—The sixteenth session of the National Grange of Patrons of Husbandry will begin in this city to-morrow. The National Grange is composed of masters, with their wives, of state granges. About 200 are expected.

North Carolina's Delegation.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

RALPHIGH, November 14.—Unofficial returns from all counties except Graham give Bennett, dem., for congress man at large, 373 majority. Graham is a small county lately formed. It is understood to be democratic, and will probably increase Bennett's majority. York, coalitionist, is conceded by the democrats as elected to congress in the Raleigh district, over Robbins, dem., and Cooke, rep. The congressional delegation stands: Poole, rep., First district; O'Hara, coalitionist, rep., Second district; York, coalitionist, Seventh district. The democrats elect the other six representatives.

A Political Squabble.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

TROY, N. Y., November 14.—There is great excitement over the organization of the board of aldermen. The republicans and independents have 13 members and the democrats 12. The latter, at a meeting of the old board, seated a candidate who claimed

to be elected to fill a vacancy, thus tying the board. Mayor Fitzgerald suspended the city clerk and appointed a clerk pro tem, and the democrats left the room when the roll was being called to organize a new board. The clerk pro tem then recognized the claim of ex-Alderman Morriss, independent, as holding over, and the board proceeded to organize without the democrats. The courts will be appealed to to settle the matter.

REFRIGERATOR AND BEEF.

Uncle Rufus' Compliments to King William.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

CHICAGO, November 14.—In an interview this evening Uncle Rufus Hatch, of New York, said: "It is reported Mr. Vanderbilt has recently organized a company to run refrigerator beef from the west into eastern cities, in competition with other refrigerator companies. If this is true, he has no good motive in it and is simply trying to drive other companies out of the business. His object is to restore his stock yard interest to the position they held before refrigerator beef agitation began."

Mr. Hatch expressed the opinion that the advantages of refrigerator beef in every way were such that it must win, even though opposed by the millions invested in stock yards at Chicago and eastern cities.

The Garfield Monument Fair.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

NEW YORK, November 14.—The committee of the Garfield Monument Fund, associated with the success of the exposition to the people of New York state, soliciting assistance for the erection of a national equestrian monument at Washington to the memory of our late president, James A. Garfield. The committee says: During the week past we were informed by a committee from the board of directors of the Garfield monument fair met this evening, and received reports from the different committees and state boards, all of which indicate rapid progress in the perfection of final arrangements.

Osgood's Death.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

NEW YORK, November 14.—George A. Osgood, a son-in-law of the late Commodore Vanderbilt, died to-day at his residence, east Twenty-first street, where he has been ill for some time. He was over 90 years old and was a stockholder and one of the largest shareholders of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western road.

A Postmaster Resigns.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

DAYTON, November 13.—Col. Fielding Lowry, late postmaster at this city, committed suicide to-day by cutting the carotid artery. The cause of his action was inability to meet a deficiency of \$4,324 in his account with the postoffice department. The deficit is amply secured.

A Row Between Sports.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

CHICAGO, November 14.—The Tolleston club, of this city, composed of many influential and wealthy men, owns several thousand acres of marsh land in Lake county, Indiana. They procured the passage of stringent game laws and so insured the unity of "pot hunters" in that section. In retaliation the latter secured the passage of a law making it a misdemeanor to carry out of the state any game shot within its boundaries. A few days ago a couple of poachers were arrested and fined, and now the poachers have retaliated by causing the arrest of Judge Knickerbocker, of the probate court of this city. He has been bound over for hearing on the charge of illegality in exporting game from the state.

Brave Bear Doomed.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

YANKTON, D. T., November 14.—The president finally refuses to interfere in the case of the Indian, Brave Bear, and he will be hung to-morrow about 11 o'clock.

Big Money.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

NEW YORK, November 13.—The value of the estate of the son of Alexander Hamilton, lately deceased, is about \$1,000,000. The heirs have settled their differences, and there will be no contest.

Expenditures on the Brooklyn Bridge to date.

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CITY OF MEXICO, November 14.—The committee of congress reported in favor of the acceptance of Vallart's resignation as president of the supreme court.

Commercial Smugglers.

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OTTAWA, November 14.—The customs department is considering a large number of cases where false invoices were made by exporters, to be used to defraud the dominion government when entered for duty at Canadian ports. Several invoices are from New York and several from Chicago.

All ladies who may be troubled with nervous prostration; who suffer from organic displacement; who have a sense of weariness and a feeling of lassitude; who are languid in the morning; in whom the appetite for food is capricious and sleep at proper hours uncertain, should have recourse to Mrs. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

THE OLD WORLD.

The Prussian Diet Convened and King William Speaks Encouragingly.

The Sultan Seriously Flattered by the Soothsayers of Islam.

The Longfellow Memorial at Westminster a Certainty.

An Irish Apology to Wolsley—The Westphalia Collision.

GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

APOLOGY TO WOLSELEY.

DUBLIN, November 14.—The Freeman's Journal is out with a leader in which it offers an apology for its recent accusations and harsh language against Wolsley and against offering him the freedom of the city. It says Wolsley has written a letter stating it is his earnest desire to see Ireland a loyal, peaceful and prosperous land.

THE SUNKEN STEAMER.

LONDON, November 14.—Captain Lealov, of the steamer Isis, states that the steamer with which his vessel came into collision yesterday burned blue lights at her mast head for two hours after the collision occurred, and that her crew would have ample time to escape. He believes they must have flared their boats, and he is very hopeful that all will be heard from in the course of time.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 14.

The sultan has a levee to celebrate the 1,300th year of the Mohammedan calendar, which, according to the prediction of the soothsayers, will give to the world a new prophet of Islam. The new revelation made public by the astrologers assures the sultan that he himself is the Mahdi or new prophet of Islam. The celebration of the mystic solemnities is so universal that business is at a standstill, and the streets are given up to processions and religious festivals.

LONDON, November 14.

The World considers New York's reception of Mrs. Langtry as creditable to the American republic, from every point of view, and at once enthusiastic and discriminating. Sergeant Ballantine will sail for the United States on the 25th of November, on a lecturing tour.

THE LONGFELLOW MEMORIAL.

The Prince of Wales will preside at the Longfellow meeting at the Lyceum, to be held in January. The dean of Westminster raises no objections to placing the bust of the poet in Westminster Abbey, but there is no room in the poet's corner beneath the table of the Hawthorn, Irving, Prescott, and Motley.

THE STEAMER ANGLINA.

which was supposed to have foundered in the North sea, has been signalled as being safe.

BERLIN, November 14.

The Prussian diet was opened to-day by the emperor, Victoria, at their approaching silver wedding, January 25, with a complete set for dining table, together with furniture for the table and accessories. The whole present will cost about half a million marks.

KING WILLIAM'S SPEECH.

BERLIN, November 14.—The liberal members of the Prussian Diet are much dissatisfied with the message in the speech from the throne, intimating remission of taxation in the face of deficit and the proposal to cover the deficit by a loan and contemplated increase in the imperial sources of revenue. The conservatives are disappointed at the amiable tone adopted towards Rome. The ultraconservatives consider the attitude of the government too indefinite.

THE GERMANIA TO-NIGHT.

The Germania to-night says friendly relations between the emperor and the pope would have long since been established but for the extraordinary powers to deal with the question of the Vatican granted the government by the recent legislation.

LOBBY TALK.

LONDON, November 15.—It was stated in the lobby this morning last night that Sir Stafford Northcote will not proceed with the motion to censure the government policy in Egypt; also that he will abandon the motion relative to the trial of Arabi Pasha. The government agreed to discuss the amended motion that a committee be appointed to inquire into the circumstances of the release into the hands of parliament imprisoned under the coercion act. Sexton, supported by the Irish members, will move an address to the crown praying for the removal of Justice Lawson from the bench.

HOW TO PROCEED.

The Times Berlin dispatch says the emperor's speech was saluted with rounds of cheer and special approbation greeted the announcement of the intention to the four lowest grades of class tax. As constituted to-day no fraction of the chamber has an absolute majority, but the conservatives are far stronger than the united liberals, and the election can turn the scale by selling their support to the highest bidder.

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THE MISSING BOAT.

The Australian ship, Minerva, reports that when going in Fallmouth she passed a white boat carrying a red flag and having five men in it, twenty miles east of Beachy Head. This was nine hours after the Westphalia collision and is supposed to be the missing boat.

DEATH OF A DIPLOMAT.

LONDON, November 14.—The death of Sir Andrew Buchanan, diplomatist, is announced.

A PLAY AND A PROTEST.

During the performance at the Globe theater to-night of Tennyson's new drama, "The Promise of May," the Marquis of Queensbury twice arose and protested against Tennyson's representation of the principles of free thought, which, he said, was a travesty on the sentiments of free right of free speech, if the whole police force is required, and that if the chief anticipates disorder he must call upon the mayor for additional help. The chief says he anticipates no further trouble. O'Connor is still here, and says he will lecture.

A FRIENDLY SHAKE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, November 14.—Count Ridoiwitz, the new German ambassador, had an audience with the sultan to-day, and presented his credentials. The sultan received Count Ridoiwitz in the most cordial and friendly manner. No allusion was made to political matters.

GRIN AND BEAR IT.

The minister of foreign affairs is much disappointed that no reply has been received from Lord Granville regarding the renewal of proposals for the dispatch of a commission to Egypt, and he has instructed the Turkish ambassador at London to ask for an early answer to the Porte's note.

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, November 14.—In the house to-night the debate on the second closure was continued. Gladstone intimated his acceptance of the amendment that no motion for adjournment shall be considered before the orders of the day unless forty members shall support such motion.

A BANQUET TO SULLIVAN.

LONDON, November 14.—The Irish party in parliament will send a banquet to A. M. Sullivan, ex member of parliament on his return from America. Parnell will preside.

THE FRENCH CHAMBER.

PARIS, November 14.—In the chamber of deputies to-day the public worship estimate was discussed. Bishop Treppel succeeded in defeating the proposal of Roche, radical, to strike out 30,000,000 francs for the clergy of lesser degree than curés.

APPEARS IN EGYPT.

CAIRO, November 14.—The sanitary council received a dispatch from the sanitary inspector at Jeddah that the cholera epidemic continues.

THE REPORTED AGREEMENT OF ENGLAND AND FRANCE ON CONTROL IS UNCONFIRMED.

In the course of the communications there was one from the English government on the abolition of Egyptian control. The proposition mooted was that the president of the public debt commission should be filled by a Frenchman. No conclusion was arrived at.

SULLIVAN DRAGD AND MOUSA-EL-AKAD, LEADERS IN BURNING AND PILLAGING OF ALEXANDRIA, RECENTLY CAPTURED IN CAUDIA, ARRIVED AS PRISONERS.

BRUSSELS, November 14.—The chamber of deputies opened to-day without a speech from the throne. The principal measure of the session will be the question of extension of suffrage.

TO TURN INFORMER.

DUBLIN, November 14.—There are rumors here that DeLaney, charged with the attempted assassination of Judge Lawson, only feigned to commit the crime in order that being arrested, he might turn informer in the case of the Phoenix park murderers.

THE CUBAN QUESTION.

LONDON, November 14.—A Paris telegram says: The Cuban refugee question has a more satisfactory phase. The Spanish government is inclined to treat the prisoners as political offenders, and to give indemnity to their families.

SUCCESSFUL STRIKE.

VIENNA, November 14.—Several newspapers failed to appear in consequence of the printers' strike. The leading journals appeared last night, having granted the increase of wages.

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RIOTING RAILROADS.

A Desperate Struggle for Right of Way Through the City of Syracuse.

The Courts and Authorities Defied by Both Companies.

Destructive Collision and Loss of Life on the Alton Road.

The Iowa Pool Bucks Against the U. P. on Nevada Freight.

RAILROADS DEFYING THE COURTS.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., November 14.—The excitement regarding the crossing of the New York, West Shore & Buffalo and Syracuse, Chenango & New York railroads, and the adjacent property of which the companies claim title, continues. There were about five hundred men congregated at the crossing last night, and a general fight is imminent. Five locomotives belonging to both roads are standing at the crossing, while a number of the cars are being derailed, completely blocking Millan street. Both parties defy each other, despite certain orders of the court.

The West Shore Company's Attempting to Secure Some Property in the Fourth Ward Which J. J. Belden, as Receiver of the Chenango valley road, claims.

To-day the West Shore company served an injunction upon the Chenango valley officers, restraining them from interfering with the property in dispute. Mr. Gardner, an officer of the West Shore company and nephew of Gen. Winlow, its president, makes affidavit that the West Shore company has already expended \$300,000 in construction of its road. He further avers that the West Shore would suffer irreparable injury and would be seriously affected and disturbed if not entirely obstructed, and its creditors and stockholders might be alarmed and the value of its securities affected if the Chenango valley road should succeed in preventing the West Shore from crossing the property in dispute. Startling developments are promised of the means whereby the road obtained its route through the city.

Wreck on the Alton Road.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

KANSAS CITY, November 14.—News has been received here of a disastrous wreck which occurred on the Alton road at 6:30 this evening, near Oak Grove, twenty miles east of here. A construction train, backing up from Grain Valley to Oak Grove, collided with a hand car on which were four men. The men on the car jumped and escaped, but the construction train, five cars and a caoose, was derailed and a brakeman named Corcoran and five section men killed and eight or ten wounded. The road is blocked and passenger trains will not be able to get through before morning. Further particulars cannot be learned to-night.

A Hitch on Nevada Freight.

Special Dispatch to This Box.

CHICAGO, November 14.—Commissioner Midgley, of the Iowa Trunk Line association, issued a circular to-day directing lines in the association to bill no more freight to points in Nevada via the Union Pacific road unless prepaid to Council Bluffs, and even then to accept it with the stipulation that responsibility for its forwarding shall cease at Council Bluffs. This action is taken because the Union Pacific refuses to make a joint fixed rate to Nevada points. The circular does not affect business through to California. The effect of this will be to compel the Union Pacific to concede the point, or freight will go by the Southern Pacific.