

SUGGESTS A NEW BEGINNING

Commissioner Lamoreaux Proposes that the Burlington Land Suits Be Dropped.

SHOULD PROCEED UNDER THE NEW LAW

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WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Notwithstanding all that has been printed in the daily papers of Nebraska relative to the suits brought in the United States court against purchasers of B. & M. lands, members of the Nebraska delegation are receiving many letters daily, asking what should be done in defense of the actions thus commenced—whether the suits should be noticed or not. Under the act of March 2 of this year the Burlington company will have to defend any and all suits thus commenced.

As intimated would probably be the case, Commissioner of the General Land Office Lamoreaux today forwarded to the secretary of the interior a letter, recommending the discontinuance of the suits against the Burlington to recover the land alleged to have been erroneously patented to the company in Nebraska and Iowa, on account of grants to which it succeeded by purchase.

He also made a recommendation that a new suit be begun under the act of March 2, 1882. Under this act settlers who bought their land of the railroad company in good faith as settlers, will be given a patent for their holdings upon presentation of proof that they were innocent purchasers. Under this act, also, suits will only be brought against the company to recover the value of the land said to have been erroneously patented, or patented in violation of law, but not brought in as parties to such suit. Secretary Smith will probably make some recommendation to the attorney general in regard to the suits.

Judge Lamoreaux stated today he had decided to send his son to Wyoming as a special examiner to inspect the land of the Globe Canal company and other corporations in the Big Horn country, sought to be taken under the Carey and land law, applications for which have been held up. It has been alleged that there is timber growing on some of the land in controversy, but Congressman Mendell of Wyoming says there is not enough to make one panel of rail fence. Percy Lamoreaux leaves for Wyoming Monday.

Representative Mercer has succeeded in getting the committee on public buildings and grounds to recommend the passage of Senator Allen's bill appropriating \$10,000 each for public building sites in Norfolk and Hastings. Mr. Mercer will write the report and the bill will, in all probability, pass the house.

It was petition day with Senator Pettigrew of Wisconsin, and he kept the clerks busy for half an hour making record of what his constituents desire. There were petitions as to filled chasms, a Sunday law in the District of Columbia, resolutions of six Baptist churches in his state calling upon congress to continue the contract school system, and petitions for the amendment to the constitution of the University of South Dakota petitioned for the creation of a court of arbitration between Great Britain and the United States.

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WANTS A RETURN TO RECIPROcity.

Business Interests of the Country Favor the Old Policy.

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WASHINGTON, March 20.—Very general response is being made by the commercial and manufacturing interests of the country to the circular letters addressed to them by the ways and means subcommittee on reciprocity and commercial treaties, inviting expressions of opinion from them as to the advisability of endeavoring to renew the reciprocity agreements made with many foreign countries under the terms of the McKinley tariff act.

There is an unquestionable preponderance of desire for the renewal of the reciprocity agreements now noted in the replies, and in many cases the writers cite figures to show the great diminution in their export trade that has followed the repeal of the provisions of the law under which these agreements existed. In few cases is there any attempt to discuss the self-interest of the writers in the matter.

Three great commercial organizations are at the committee and their correspondents and all of them are recorded as most emphatically favoring reciprocity. They are the Millers' National association of Millers, the Chamber of Commerce and the Merchants' Exchange, and the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce.

Of the twenty-nine replies, sixty-four are strongly in advocacy of a renewal of the reciprocity agreements as they were under the McKinley act, and are wholly opposed to anything in the nature of reciprocity that contemplates discrimination in trade with the world; four are inclined to favor a kind of reciprocity agreement; and four are not responsive to the direct questions of the committee, and merely take advantage of the opportunity to vent some private opinions.

Responses are still coming in and it is possible they may tend to modify in some degree the very one-sided nature of the general response so far as indicated.

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VOTES TO CENSURE BAYARD

Nine Democrats Break Away from Their Party Collegues.

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Five republicans broke away from party lines and voted against the resolution of censure and six democrats voted for it. All the republicans and nine democrats voted for the second resolution. Mr. Willis, a republican from Mr. Bayard's state, made a speech in opposition to the first resolution, and Mr. Bailey, democrat of Texas, not only endorsed the resolution, but declared that a man who delivered such utterances as Mr. Bayard had done in Boston was unworthy to represent the United States anywhere or at any time.

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DECIDED REST

Senate Votes to Adjourn Over Until Monday.

CUBAN QUESTION UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Several Senators Still Desire to Be Heard—Allen Argued Against the Validity of Dupont's Election.

WASHINGTON, March 20.—Senator Morgan presented a new phase of the Cuban question to the senate shortly before the adjournment tonight by offering a joint resolution declaring that a state of war existed in Cuba and recognizing the insurgents as belligerents.

The resolutions before the senate received an unexpected reverse today. Mr. Sherman sought to interrupt the usual course of adjourning over Saturday, unless unanimous consent was given to take the final vote on the Cuban question at a stated time next week.

Mr. Sherman's motion was not given and the senate voted 41 to 22 to adjourn over tomorrow. The vote was regarded as an evidence of growing opposition to the Cuban resolutions. Most of the day was given to the Cuban question, speeches being made by Mr. Caffery and Call supporting it.

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"THE FIVE POINTS"

What it Was and What it Is.



1846. 1896.

"It is the most dreadful spot on the American continent!" said a distinguished Frenchman who once visited the notorious New York slum known as the "Five Points." The same opinion was expressed by Charles Dickens after going through this dangerous quarter with an armed police escort.

Advertisement for French Legs. It features a circular logo with a smiling face and text describing a table with French legs, available in various styles and finishes. The text includes 'It has French Legs', 'This table has—', and 'Orchard & Wilhelm Carpet Co., 1416 Douglas Street.'

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BRICE RESENTS THE IMPUTATION. Denies He is Peculiarly Interested in the Santa Fe Bonds. WASHINGTON, March 20.—An interesting personal controversy between Senator Brice of Ohio and Governor Thornton of New Mexico... Brice is peculiarly interested in the Santa Fe bonds...

Favorable to Arizona. WASHINGTON, March 20.—The senate committee on territories today agreed to report favorably the bill for the admission of Arizona as a state of the union.

Will Not Intersect Filibusters. WASHINGTON, March 20.—The cruiser Montgomery has returned to Fort Monroe from target practice outside the capes, which sets at rest the story that she was endeavoring to head off the Bermuda, with General Garcia's party of Cubans aboard.

Western Patents Granted. WASHINGTON, March 20.—(Special.)—Patents have been issued as follows: Nebraska—John A. Chaffin, Red Cloud, check rein for harness; James M. Hays, Omaha, bed-rop; George T. Rease, Lincoln, balance slide valve; Nebraska—James W. Sullivan, Omaha, bed-rop; Arthur W. McFarlan, West Bend, egg and packing separator.

Advertisement for Fidelity Trust Company. The company is located at 1702 Farnam St. in the Bee Building. It offers various financial services and has a capital of \$1,000,000.

Large advertisement for A. Hospe, Jr., Drexel Shoe Co., and Albert Cahn. The ad features illustrations of shoes and text promoting their 'Den Pictures Pleasantly and Pointedly Put.' It highlights the quality and variety of their footwear, including men's, women's, and children's shoes.