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PANAMA CANAL

DISCLOSURES WHICH RENDER THE CONCLUSION OF THE PURCHASE DOUBTFUL.

Last Concession of Colombian Government to Company not Approved by Congress.

IMPORTANT FACTS WERE CONCEALED BY COMPANY

MINISTER HERRERS EXPLAINS THAT THE COLOMBIAN REBELS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CHARGES—SAYS CONGRESS' APPROVAL WAS UNNECESSARY.

Paris, Sept. 13.—Certain defects in the Panama Canal company's title to the Colombian concessions have been revealed which render the conclusion of the sale of the company's rights and property to the United States doubtful. It is claimed the last extension of Colombia's concessions did not receive the approval of the Colombian congress. The Panama company withheld this fact. It also concealed the fact from the Americans that the Colombian rebels notified the Panama company that if they succeeded in obtaining control of the country they would repudiate the extension of concessions granted by the de facto government of Colombia in 1898.

Washington, Sept. 13.—Minister Herrers of Colombia, when told tonight of the report from Paris in regard to the title of the Panama company, declared the Colombian rebels were responsible for the charges that defects exist in the Panama company's Colombian concessions. He admitted the extension of the original concession was not approved by the Colombian congress, but explained that the country was practically under martial law at the time it was granted. He said it was not necessary for congress to approve of the extension, as the constitution gave the president the right to act.

FRANKLIN COUNTY CAMPAIGN OPENS

Special to the Gazette. Louisville, N. C., Sept. 13.—The campaign in behalf of the citizens' ticket in Franklin county was opened at Whitaker's mill today. There was a very large crowd in attendance, and the greatest enthusiasm was manifested. The county candidates announced themselves and Hon. John F. Mitchell, candidate for the legislature, made a ringing speech. Afterwards Mr. Yarbrough, jr., was called upon and re-

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sponded in a speech of about two hours. He seemed to carry the entire crowd with him and was enthusiastically applauded from beginning to end. The Republicans and Independents are jubilant and claim that they will win the county in November. It can be denied that they are developing much strength, and the Democrats are greatly alarmed over the situation.

FOREST FIRES ARE RAGING IN WEST

Portland, Ore., Sept. 13.—The result of forest fires raging in this vicinity may be summed up substantially as follows: Tillamook City has been saved from impending doom by a timely change in the wind. The forest in Douglas and Jackson counties are on fire. Sixty people in the town of Springwater, Clackamas county, were compelled to flee for their lives and were rendered homeless and a fine timber belt destroyed. The damage in eastern Multnomah county amounts to \$45,000, and every family has been fighting the fire since Monday. Several families have been burned out on the section line road. To protect the town of Gresham, men stand guard night and day. The destruction of the village of Viola seems certain. The non-arrival of grain and coasting ships is due to dense smoke at the mouth of the Columbia river. The steamer Columbia is reported to be stranded in the river near Astoria. A woman was burned to death near Vancouver and a woman and a child are missing. Mills, lumber and timber to the value of \$1,000,000 were destroyed in Chehalis county, Washington. The damage near Lentz, Oregon, amounts to over \$25,000. The weather bureau has given no promise of rain within the next twenty-four hours. Enumclaw, a little town just south of Seattle, will be entirely destroyed by the fires.

Elma, Wash., Sept. 13.—Forest fires are raging over a large area of country east of Elma. Several large mills suffered damages, some have been destroyed. The Star mill and village has been wiped out. The men fought bravely, but had to yield and fly for their lives. Wagon loads of refugees are arriving from the burning districts and people are beginning to move out of Elma. The seven big mills here have an aggregate value of over half a million dollars in their plants alone. Their total value is near the million mark. Everett Wash., Sept. 13.—Forest fires are raging along the Great Northern road between Skykomish and Wellington. Telegraphic communication between here and Seattle has been cut off. Freight and passenger traffic from the east is at a standstill. Oregon City, Ore., Sept. 11.—Late reports from Springwater state that sixty people are homeless as a result of the forest fires. All of the country known as the Rocky Point section is burning. Many horses, cattle and hogs were burned.

Tacoma, Wash., Sept. 13.—Forest fires are now burning in every county of Western Washington from British Columbia to the Columbia river. The latest reports from Mason county are that every portion of that county is in flames with the exception of Shelton. The logging camps of Thomas Bordeaux near Olympia, are surrounded by flames. Forty men have left on horse back to rescue the women and children. The Grays Harbor branch of the Northern Pacific is on fire even to the ties in several places. The burning of a bridge at Wellington on the Great Northern has stopped traffic on that road.

SCHLEY SAYS HE IS "RETIRED AND DONE"

New York, Sept. 13.—Rear Admiral Schley and Mrs. Schley have reached Boston, after a summer outing in the Adirondacks, says a special dispatch to the Herald. The rear admiral said: "I never felt better in my life. Since my retirement from the service I have taken the keenest delight in the privileges of a civilian and in the beauties of this country of ours, for I have passed more of my years afloat than ashore. You understand, I am retired and done. To me the navy is a thing of the past. Since my retirement, I am out of it and done with it, after a life of service." Rear Admiral Schley and Mrs. Schley will leave Boston today to visit in Connecticut. It is their purpose to go west within a few weeks and then visit Texas, where they may remain two months.

CROKER SAYS HE HAS QUIT POLITICS

London, Sept. 13.—Richard Croker in an interview today said he wished the people to believe him when he says he is out of politics for good. He continued: "I am contented to be out of the game. I'm enjoying the races and having lots of fun." He declared that Chief of Police Devry lied when he said he (Croker) was interfering in his district and sending

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WILCOX COULD HAVE ESCAPED

ALLEGED SLAYER OF MISS CROPPER REMAINS VOLUNTARY PRISONER.

A Negro Boy Leaving the Jail Left Means of Exit for Any One Wishing to Escape.

WILCOX SHOWS HOW HE COULD GET OUT

WENT THROUGH THE PERFORMANCE OF GAINING HIS LIBERTY, IN PRESENCE OF A SHERIFF AND OTHERS.

Elizabeth City, Sept. 13.—Last night a negro youth escaped from the county jail and left his means of exit at the disposal of Jim Wilcox, the alleged murderer of Ella Cropsey. This morning when the sheriff and others visited the jail, Wilcox told them he could have escaped in the same manner, and to prove his assertions he went through the process of making his escape in the presence of a few who were present. When waterworks were installed in the jail a bar was removed to make room for a pipe. The negro removed this pipe, thus leaving an exit for every prisoner in the jail. Wilcox said: "If I had wanted to get out, the way was clear."

A BIG INTRIGUE AGAINST THE CZAR

London, Sept. 13.—The Paris correspondent Observer says he learns from a personage just arrived from St. Petersburg that there is a big party intrigue against the czar and czarina headed by the empress dowager herself. The correspondent's informant declared the disappearance of the czar from the throne at no distant date would not surprise him, and that the forced abdication of Emperor Nicholas was quite within the bounds of possibility.

JAIL PARTLY WRECKED BY FURIOUS MOB

Efforts to Lynch a Brute Frustrated by Sheriff's Deputies

Butler, Pa., Sept. 13.—Jerry Bennett, aged 26, was caught in the act of ravishing a seven-year-old girl under a car near the railroad station tonight. The child was frightfully injured. A mob gathered and wanted to lynch the brute, but the police hustled him to a passing trolley car and succeeded in placing him safely in jail. The mob subsequently assaulted the jail. Rev. Mr. Barlow attempted to persuade the mob to disperse, but they refused. It gained the corridor of the jail, and several deputies who opposed them were struck and injured. Finally five shots were fired by the defenders of the jail and the mob hastily retreated. It is not known whether any of the mob was hit. At midnight the mob was quiet and at bay. They were afraid to re-enter the jail. The jail was partly wrecked.

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TERMS SIMPLE SAYS MORGAN

"THE STRIKERS ARE TO RETURN TO WORK," SUMS THEM UP.

General Belief of Operators Is Strike Will End, if Protection Is Guaranteed.

NO INFORMATION AS TO RESULT OF CONFERENCE

STATEMENT GIVEN OUT TO NEWSPAPERS IS THAT DIFFERENCES WERE DISCUSSED WITH THE BEST OF FEELING.

New York, Sept. 13.—It was the general belief among the operators, today that if proper protection were guaranteed the coal strike would end. The president of the coal company was in Morgan's office today, when the latter's attention was called to an article in an afternoon paper headed "Mitchell Learns Morgan's Terms." Morgan said: "Well, my terms are very simple. The strikers are to return to work." Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 13.—The conference between Governor Stone and President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers' of America, on matters pertaining to the strike, ended at 4:30 o'clock this morning, after a discussion of two hours and a half. The others at the conference were: State Senator William Flynn, of Pittsburg; M. E. McMullin, of Pittsburg; Colonel W. F. Richardson, of Harrisburg; District President Thomas D. Nichols, of Scranton; District President Thomas Duffy, of McAdoo; John Faher, of Shamokin. At the conclusion of the meeting Governor Stone gave to the waiting newspaper correspondents a statement reading as follows: "Messrs. Mitchell, Nichols, Fahy, Duffy, Senator Flynn, Colonel Richardson and Governor Stone have been in conference. All the differences have been discussed with the best of feeling. Every effort to get the participants in conference to divulge what took place proved unavailing. While no official information can be had on the matter, it is believed here that Governor Stone and his colleague submitted a proposition to President Mitchell which will tend to settle the strike in the hard coal fields."

VISIT OF FIREMEN TO CHICKAMAUGA PARK

Chattanooga, Sept. 13.—The delegates to the convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, accompanied by the members of the ladies' society, and escorted by the local executive committee, spent today at Chickamauga park and no business sessions of either organization were held. The delegates and visitors, about 700 in number, visited all points of interest in the famous battlefield and at noon took lunch at the camp of the Seventh cavalry regulars.

MANY LIVES LOST IN ACCIDENT IN INDIA

London, Sept. 13.—A new agency dispatch from Madras, British India, says while a Madras & Bombay mail train was crossing a bridge near Mangapatnam Friday the flooded river caused the bridge to collapse and the train fell into the water. Many lives were lost. Fifty bodies have been recovered, and many others were injured.

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