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## WILLIAM J. BRYAN TAKES HIMSELF OUT OF THE RACE

Can Imagine No Circumstance in Which it Would be Wise or Necessary to Become a Candidate -- Got One New Idea in Europe.

Is not Thinking of Parker, nor Talking of Gorman nor Advocating Hearst -- But is Going to Edit Hearst's St. Louis Paper.

(By Associated Press.)  
St. Louis, Jan. 15.—"Everything points to victory," says William J. Bryan, who spent an hour in St. Louis today, en route to his home in Lincoln, Neb. in answer to a question asked by the Post-Dispatch as to the Democratic national outlook. "I think we will win and I am now convinced that a dark horse will capture the nomination," he continued. "What do you think about Judge Parker of New York?" he was asked. "I am not thinking about Parker at all." How would Senator Gorman, of Maryland, suit you? "I am not discussing Mr. Gorman or any other candidate at this time," said Mr. Bryan. "I wish you would write down what I have to say about Mr. Hearst." He then dictated the following: "I appreciate the work Mr. Hearst has done for the Democratic party and count him among my personal friends, but I am not advocating his nomination or that of any other person. I am avoiding any expression of preference for anybody." "Are you a candidate, Mr. Bryan?" "I think I have already made it perfectly plain that I am not." "Would you become one if conditions should indicate the necessity for your making the race?" "I can imagine no circumstances under which it would be either wise or necessary for me to become a candidate." Mr. Bryan would not commit himself as to the eligibility of Mayor McClellan, of New York, for the Democratic nomination. "Did your journey modify in any way your views on the money question?" Mr. Bryan was asked. "It did not," he replied, emphatically. "I am still a believer in the principle of free silver. But I will say that I get one new idea which I will discuss at some future time."

Will Edit Hearst's Paper.  
Indianapolis, Jan. 15.—A special to The News from Evansville says: "Before leaving here William J. Bryan confided to several local Democratic leaders that he will become the editor of the new daily paper at St. Louis this year. It is said William R. Hearst will be associated with Mr. Bryan in the new venture."

MORE BOODLING IN ST. LOUIS.

And Attorney Folk is After the Boodlers With a Sharp Stick.  
(By Associated Press.)  
St. Louis, Jan. 15.—Circuit Attorney Folk has been informed that a representative of the House of Delegates combine had solicited a bribe of \$10,000 and from certain St. Louis ticket brokers to kill the bill lately passed prohibiting the scalping of excursion tickets.

It is now charged that delegates voted for the bill in retaliation for the refusal of the ticket brokers to subscribe to a boodle fund.  
Subpoenas to appear before the grand jury were issued for Simon Steiner, ticket broker; Max Schbach, F. J. Lindberg, president of the St. Louis Ticket Brokers' Association; Speaker Gazele, of the House, and Delegate John R. Fontana.

AMENDMENT ADOPTED.

This Will Give Partial Jurisdiction to the Harbors of Panama and Colon.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Jan. 15.—The Senate committee on foreign relations today adopted an amendment to the Panama Canal treaty, giving to the United States partial jurisdiction over the harbors of Colon and Panama in order to protect the shipping interests of this country. The amendment is in the nature of a safeguard and is believed will not meet with any opposition from the Republic of Panama. Republican members of the committee are inclined to favor a few minor amendments to the treaty if only for the purpose of bringing about the ratifications of the convention by the constitutional convention of the new republic and thus meet and dispose of one of the vigorous fight conditions of the Democrats that the treaty will not be ratified by a tangible form of government.

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## HOBSON'S MOTHER ILL.

He is at Her Beside in Boulder, Colorado—Her Condition Serious.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Boulder, Colo., Jan. 15.—Capt. Richmond P. Hobson has arrived here from Birmingham and is now at the bedside of his mother. The condition of Mrs. Hobson is very serious.

Hobson Probably Not Coming.  
An Associated Press dispatch today states that Lieutenant Hobson has been called to Boulder, Colo., to the bedside of his mother, who is very ill. Lieutenant Hobson was booked for a lecture here next Monday night, but as the dispatch states that he will be detained in Colorado probably three or four days, the chances are that he will be unable to fill his engagement in this city on the Y. M. C. A. Star Course.

## ANOTHER PENSION GRAB.

This Bill Will Embrace Everybody Who Served For Ninety Days and His Widow.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Jan. 14.—There will be introduced in Congress today in the House by Mr. Doolittle, of Iowa, and in the Senate by Mr. Calderhead, of Kansas, a service pension bill, backed by the Grand Army of the Republic, which if enacted into law will give a pension of \$12 a month to every soldier who served 90 days in the Union army during the civil war who was honorably discharged therefrom and who has attained the age of 62 years. A like pension will be given to the widow of such soldiers in all cases where the marriage took place prior to June 27, 1890.

The introduction of the bill is the result of the meeting in Washington of the committee on pensions of the Grand Army.  
The committee had an extended conference with the President during the day and the latter assured them of his day and the latter assured them of his entire sympathy in their undertaking.

## THE URUGUAY REVOLUTION.

The Government Troops Obligated to Beat a Retreat.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Buenos Ayres, Jan. 15.—According to a dispatch from Montevideo, Uruguay, General Muniz with 2,500 government troops, has been obliged to beat a retreat between Nico Perez and Santa Clara, owing to the numerical superiority of the revolutionists, commanded by General Saravia.  
General Muniz is said to have resigned later, on the plea that he was suffering from heart disease. War Minister Vasquez is expected to take supreme command of the Uruguayan government troops.  
The Uruguayan government forces were defeated January 11 at Paso de Torres, losing 25 men killed and having 45 men wounded.

## A NEGRO LYNCHED.

Caught by a South Carolina Mob and Hanged to a Tree.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Charleston, S. C., Jan. 15.—News received here of the lynching of a negro "General Lee" in Dorchester county, this State. It is stated Lee had attempted to criminal assault a white woman near Reevesville and after being captured by a posse was secured by a mob of men who hanged him to a tree.

## Wynne on the Stand.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Jan. 15.—Robt. J. Wynne, First Assistant Postmaster General, who was on the stand when court adjourned over Wednesday, today continues his testimony in the postal trial. He cross-examination the witness said he did not know whether groff fasteners were attached to rural free delivery letter boxes or not. Many things connected with the Postoffice Department he said that he knew nothing about. "I am trying to learn," said Mr. Wynne, sarcastically, "and am doing the best I can." Mr. Wynne was puffed with questions calculated to test his knowledge of the number of details of rural delivery service, but they were met with a frank "I don't know."

## Red Star Steamer.

(By Associated Press.)  
Philadelphia, Jan. 15.—The Red Star steamer, Noordland, Liverpool for Philadelphia, passed in Delaware Bay Breakwater at 10:30 today, being five days overdue. The delay, as reported by the captain, reports is due to the breaking of eccentric strap on engine. The captain said this accident occurred when this Noordland was about 500 miles out from Queensland. She was experiencing heavy weather. The big steamship hoisted for two days for repairs and later proceeded to Philadelphia. There were 230 passengers and during the time required to make necessary repairs practically there was no excitement on board the Noordland.

## Denies Responsibility.

(By Associated Press.)  
Chicago, Jan. 15.—Chief Wm. Musham, of Chicago Fire Department, told the coroner's jury today he had "nothing to do with the Iroquois fire." The chief threw blame of the disaster on others. "I would have disaster depending on the duties of the building department," he said "if I had tried to enforce the ordinance."

## COLOMBIANS HAVE STARTED MARCH UPON ISTHMUS

This is the Startling Intelligence Cabled by the Herald's Correspondent Today--Panama Troops Ready to Leave.

Yellow Fever May be Worse Than the Colombian Armies --It is Already Raging in Panama--Many Light Cases of "Fever" Among Troops

(By Associated Press.)  
New York, Jan. 15.—"Authentic information from the interior is anxiously awaited here as the belief is widespread," cables the Herald's Panama correspondent, that the Colombians have already started to march upon the Isthmus. Panamanian troops are ready to leave on a moment's notice. Twelve thousand fighting men can be placed in the field. There is great bustle in preparation for the shipment of rifles and ammunition to the Indians of the interior who have agreed to join against the Colombian forces. Many light cases of fever are reported already to exist in the camps of the United States marines. There is some yellow fever in Panama.

## TO CONVERT THE JUDGES.

The United Mine-Workers of Ohio Consider Converting Better than Abusing the Judiciary.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Columbus, O., Jan. 15.—The United Mine Workers of District No. 6 have adopted a resolution favoring the study of economical and political questions in order to prepare to take possession of the judiciary, legislative and executive powers of government, thus nullifying the powers of the employers to use governmental powers to advance their own ends.

The injunctions granted in West Virginia were discussed and it was decided to refuse to work for operators who employed non-union labor in any of their mines in this sub-district. National Vice President Lewis stated that he had been granted the right by Judge Jackson to hold meetings in the West Virginia districts where the injunction was secured and was guaranteed protection. Mr. Lewis said the judges should not be abused, but converted.

## THE PANAMA CONVENTION.

A Ready-Made Constitution to be Promulgated in Ten Days--Candidates for the Presidency and the Distribution of Funds.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Panama, Jan. 15.—The first preliminary session of the constitutional convention was held yesterday and the regular session will be held tomorrow. The convention elected Dr. Pabalo Arosama temporary president, and Dr. Louis Deroux, temporary vice president. It was understood that Dr. Manuel Amador would be a candidate for the presidency of the convention, but as he is a candidate for the presidency of the republic he declined to preside over the deliberations.  
The Associated Press correspondent is informed that the constitution will be ready for promulgation within ten days, when Dr. Amador will be elected the first constitutional president of the republic.

## TREATY DETECTIVE.

Both Sides Agree That Our Rights are Not Sufficiently Guarded.  
(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Jan. 15.—The Senate committee on foreign relations yesterday considered an addition to the Panama Canal treaty directed to obtain for the United States greater concessions in regard to the jurisdiction over the harbors adjacent to the cities of Panama and Colon. Both the Democratic and Republican members of the committee admit that the treaty does not guard the interests of the United States as fully as could be desired in the matter of harbor privileges.

## Missing Boy Found.

(By Associated Press.)  
Enterprise, Ala., Jan. 15.—Howard Singer, 14 years old, son of Alfred L. Singer, a wealthy resident of New York, has been apprehended here, where he was engaged by a street carnival company. Circulars describing the boy, who is said to have run away from home, were received here recently in which a reward of \$1,000 was offered for the missing boy.  
Mr. Singer has been notified and is expected at once to take his boy to New York.

## Hanged for Murder of a Policeman.

(By Associated Press.)  
Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 15.—John Harris, colored, was hanged here today for the murder of Policeman Hans C. Draasbeach, in this city, on October 3, 1903.

## COWBOYS WHOOOP UP CANAL.

The National Live Stock Association of the Far West Endorses Their Teddy.  
(By Associated Press.)

Portland, Ore., Jan. 15.—By unanimous vote and with great show of enthusiasm the National Live Stock Association adopted resolutions heartily endorsing the policy of President Roosevelt with reference to the building of the Panama Canal.

When President Springer introduced the resolutions he alluded to the discussion of the Panama question in the United States Senate and criticism of President Roosevelt on account of the position he has taken.  
"She call for a vote was the signal for a roar of 'ayes' and a burst of applause. Not a dissenting voice was raised. A copy of the resolution was immediately wired to the President.

Tomorrow the attention of the convention will be given to the election of officers and the selection of a place to hold the next convention. H. H. Hagberth, of Idaho, is the one talked of as a successor to President Springer and his selection is considered certain. There is little doubt that Denver will be the place of meeting.

## SITUATION CANVASSED.

The Members of National Committee Talk Over the Situation.  
(Special to The News.)

WASHINGTON, JAN. 15.  
A general canvass among members of the House today showed that Hon. James M. Guider is fairly well assured of retaining his seat in Congress. The announcement of Hon. Thomas Roosevelt with reference to the building of the Panama Canal.

Mr. T. L. Morris, Democratic national committee man for New Hampshire and owner of the Portsmouth Evening Times, who is in Washington says that his survey of the political field during the recent meeting of the Democratic National Committee leads him to the belief that indications point to the nomination of Judge Parker, of New York. Mr. Morris is convinced that Judge Parker is now in the lead. The fact that Judge Parker did not bolt Bryan in 16 and points to the possibility of Judge Parker being acceptable to the westerners, it is declared.

## Gorman Blocks the Game.

(By Associated Press.)  
Washington, Jan. 15.—The Gorman Panama resolution was laid before the Senate today. Before anyone was recognized to speak on the resolution Mr. Gorman offered a number of amendments striking out the word "intervention" wherever it appears, thus modifying the resolution so as to make it an inquiry of the President concerning the use of the American military forces in Isthmus of Panama. Mr. Cullom, in view of amendments, with drew his motion to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations, and said he was willing to have it voted upon.

## RAILROADS MUST CONNECT AT SELMA

The Corporation Commission Abolishes One Nuisance in Railroad Travel in North Carolina--A Burglar Gets a Twenty Year Sentence.

## (Special to The News.)

Raleigh, Jan. 15.—The North Carolina Corporation Commission today issued an order for change in schedule of Atlantic Coast Line by which the much complained of lack of connection between the Southern and Atlantic Coast Line at Selma will be set right and passengers en route West via Selma can make close connection with the Southern there.

The order is for the Atlantic Coast Line either to extend the run of their Plymouth train from Rocky Mount to Selma or of the Springhope train, which also now runs from Rocky Mount to Selma. Either change will enable the passengers from the East to visit the towns in the Western part of the State and return home the same day.

Lee Spence, colored, was sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary for burglarizing the residence of Lee Perry here some months ago. Spence was one of the nine prisoners who broke jail here recently.

North Carolina Grand Lodge of Masons convened this week with over 500 Masons present. Reports of all officers were gratifying and showed 13,663 Masons in the State, there being 340 lodges. The grand secretary's report states that the growth of the order in the State the past year has been the largest in the history of the order in North Carolina. Col. J. S. Cunningham, of Person county, delivered an eloquent oration.

In his report of the Grand Lodge of Masons, Grand Master Clark said last night that from reports received he felt sure that the Masons of the State are going to build a temple that will be the handsomest home for a Grand Lodge in the South. The great part of the funds has been raised and the work will now soon begin.

## A YOUNG GIRL FOULLY TREATED BY A RUFFIAN

She was Coming to the Home of the Sisters' of Mercy When She was Mised and Fouly Dealt With at the Hands of a Stranger.

Arriving in Charlotte at 6:30 O'clock She was Guided by Unknown Man to Piedmont Park Where She was Assaulted.

A gastardly crime was attempted in the Piedmont Park section last night about 7:30 o'clock.

The victim was a young lady 20 years old who came in on the 6:30 o'clock train yesterday evening from St. Mary's College, at Belmont.

The man who attempted the crime is unknown to the police, though they have a description they think will aid them very much in their search for the criminal.

The story as told to the police this morning is as follows:  
Yesterday afternoon one of the young ladies who has been attending school at Belmont arrived in Charlotte, intending to go direct to the home of the Sisters of Mercy, on South Tryon street.

On arriving at the Southern station the young lady, who was unattended, asked of a man which car she should take to go to the Catholic school, on South Tryon street. This stranger directed her to ask a man who was standing near the old eating house on the north side of the tracks. Thinking of course she had been properly directed the girl went to where the man was standing and inquired of him where the Catholic school was located.

The stranger offered to assist the girl on a car that was standing nearby and at the same time said he would be delighted to show her where she wished to go.  
When the car arrived at the square the man told the girl they would have to go some distance before reaching their destination. They, accordingly, boarded a Piedmont Park car and when it arrived at its destination, the couple got off.

The young lady states that her guide said they would have to go some distance from the car line before they reached the school. With woman-like faith she accompanied the man down the lawyer's road for some distance.  
When they reached a secluded spot the man drew back and struck the girl a murderous blow on the head. She was stunned, but did not fall. As soon as she recovered she screamed.

The man quickly pulled off his overcoat and in order to muffle the girl's screams, threw the coat over her head and attempted to prevent her from making a noise.

By almost superhuman efforts the girl freed herself from the grasp of the demon in human guise, and again commenced screaming.

The man again struck his victim at this time she fell to the ground. She, however, quickly recovered and commenced screaming again.

This time the man let the girl go and disappeared in the darkness, leaving his victim, a defenseless girl, by the road-side, in a strange place and without any one to assist her.

The young girl wandered about in the darkness for some time and finally came to the house of a negro couple, she being attracted there by a faint light that came through the window of the house.

She knocked at the door of the negro cabin and a voice from within bade her come in. "There in the presence of the negroes of the household she related the horrible experience she had gone through with during the hour just passed.

The negroes were stirred by the sad story that the young girl related. Two of them informed the girl that they would gladly accompany her to the city and this they did.  
Arriving at the corner of Trade and College streets the negro men met Officer Hunter and to him they related the sad experience of the young woman. Officer Hunter at once took charge of the young lady and escorted her to the home of the Sisters of Mercy, on South Tryon street.  
Soon after her arrival there Father Francis was made acquainted with the circumstances attending the young girl's coming to Charlotte. He at once communicated with the police and begged the officers to do all in their power to apprehend the person who had so foully abused the young woman.  
Today the case was placed in the hands of Sergeant Pitts and Officers Hunter and Crowell. Up to this afternoon at 3 o'clock no arrest had been made.  
The young lady can give only a partial description of the man at whose hands she was so roughly treated. The fact that she is badly near-sighted makes it all the more difficult for her to give a minute description of the man.  
She, however, says he wore a light

overcoat and that he was quite a large man.

The police officers, in company with Father Francis, again interviewed the young lady this morning. She could throw no additional light on the subject. She again repeated the sad story that she related last night, both to the negro men who accompanied her to the city and to Officer Hunter.

Chief Irwin and his men are on the lookout for this criminal and they will do all in their power to land him behind the bars, where he so much deserves to be.

The young lady was suffering very much this morning from the effects of her experience last night. It will be several days before she entirely recovers from the shock and fright she was called upon to go through.

## NOTHING OF CRACKSMEN.

The Police Have no Clue as to the Burglars.  
The fellows who played havoc with the College street merchants' safes and secured \$37.54 have not been apprehended.

In fact, so far as The News has been able to learn, there is no more clue today than on yesterday.

Telegrams have been sent in every direction asking the police to lookout for suspicious parties.

The watch that was taken from the safe of Mr. M. F. Trotter is about the only evidence that can be brought against the cracksmen. A description of this watch has been sent out to all nearby towns.

Yesterday afternoon one of the workmen at Elmwood Cemetery, found a pistol lying on one of the lots. One of the cartridges had been fired and the other chambers of the gun were loaded. It was first thought that one of the men dropped the gun in his fight. The pistol is in the hands of the police.

The News stated yesterday that the total amount secured by the burglars was \$37.54. This is absolutely correct.

## SUSPICIOUS CHARACTERS.

Establish a Camp Near the City--They Have Disappeared.  
Today the police discovered a camp about two miles east of the city in a pine forest near Capt. J. H. McClintock's spot where it was learned that three white men had been camping on for some time. There was an arbor of pine branches which well protected the ground beneath and a pile of ashes indicated where a fire had been made.

The officers believe that the parties who had been camping at the above named spot were not there for a good purpose and it is further believed that the three men were fugitives from justice or were in the vicinity of Charlotte for the purpose of some crime.

The officers made a careful examination of the surroundings and concluded that the men had been away for three or four days. Whether they had any connection with any of the recent crimes here and near the city cannot be positively stated however.

## DEATH OF MRS. SAUNDERS.

Before Marriage She Was Miss Ella Kendrick of Charlotte.  
Mr. W. C. Kendrick returned from Cleveland, N. C., this morning, where on yesterday he attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. W. N. Saunders, whose sad death occurred Wednesday.

The deceased was the wife of Mr. W. C. Kendrick and was a native of Charlotte. She was 31 years old and is survived by a husband and two little children, aged respectively two and four years.

The funeral was conducted in Cleveland yesterday and a large crowd followed the remains to their last resting place.

Mrs. Saunders was a splendid lady and her sad and untimely death will be sincerely mourned in Charlotte, where she was loved and admired.

## BANKS CLOSE LEE'S BIRTHDAY.

Coincidence That One Cashier's Birthday Falls on Same Day.  
Tuesday, January 19, the birthday of Gen. Robert E. Lee, will be observed as a holiday by all the national and savings banks of the city. It is an event which these institutions are glad to recognize, and commemorate.

That day being also the birthday of Capt. A. G. Brenizer, the able and popular cashier of the Commercial National Bank, than whom there is no greater admirer in the Southland of the great and stainless Lee, the observance of that holiday will possess for him a two-fold significance.

Mr. Pharr's Condition.  
Mr. W. L. Pharr writes The News from New York that he is getting along as well as could be expected. He is still in the New York Hospital. Mr. Pharr states that he is still unable to talk, but that the physicians think he will be all right shortly. Mr. Pharr adds:

I can receive The News every day and I can see what is going on in Charlotte."  
Injunction Served.  
(By Associated Press.)

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 15.—There was served on State Treasurer Lacy and the Corporation Commission today a temporary restraining order to prevent the State from collecting the privilege license tax of 25 cents per wire as levied by the revenue act on the telegraph company, the injunction being asked for by the Western Union Telegraph Company and issued by Judge Simonton, to be heard Jan. 20th, at Charleston. The tax due by the tax due by the Western Union amounts to about \$4,300.

## BARON HAYASHI SAYS JAPAN IS WITH AMERICA

The Japanese Ready to Fight for the Open Door in Manchuria to Which Secretary Hay Says America is Irrevocably Committed.

Negotiations May be Transferred From Manchuria to St. Petersburg--The Japanese Reply Delivered Today to Russia.

(By Associated Press.)  
London, Jan. 15.—The Japanese Minister, Baron Hayashi, had received no indication this morning of the probable attitude of Russia, but said: "It is practically certain that a declaration of war will not emanate from Russia." The Minister is not very hopeful of the result of the latest Japanese note. "Our conditions," said the Minister, "are practically summed up in the concluding portion of the American State Department's announcement regarding the Chinese-American treaty. For these principles, to which Secretary Hay says the United States is irrevocably committed, we are willing to go to war unless Russia will concede to give us a definite pledge that she too adheres to the open door and to Chinese Sovereignty in Manchuria."

Active Preparations for War.  
Washington, Jan. 15.—State department advises today from Japan indicate extraordinary activity in preparations for war. These add to the pessimistic feeling already existing here respecting probability of the amicable adjustment of the Russo-Japanese trouble. Meanwhile Japanese government is reported to be striving desperately to find some possible means of settlement but the State department learn while professing desire least in principle, remains unchanged and there is no sign of any disposition to yield to the Japanese proposals. Still official opinion here is that it left to diplomacy the present situation may continue here is that it left to diplomacy the present situation may continue for several days or even weeks. Two chances for earlier breach are said to be found in the possibility of immediate occupation of Korean points by the Japanese forces and the presence in the red sea simultaneously of the Russian and Japanese warships. Respecting the possibilities of naval class and in that section it is pointed out that only in case of formal existence of war could be applied to Suez Canal the rules of neutrality which require a period of 24 hours to elapse between the departure from terminal of the canal of the warships of belligerent Powers, so in advance of the declaration of war there is nothing to prevent a naval battle within sight of the canal entrance in the red sea.

Korea Against Foreigners.  
Washington, Jan. 15.—The State department today received a cablegram from United States Minister Allen, at Seoul, Korea, stating that the Korean newspapers are trying to incite the people against foreigners and especially against Americans and that the department feels that these interests can properly be cared for by the United States gun-boat Vicksburg and the United States Marine Guard now in the Korean capital. Beside the European nations have considerable guards which undoubtedly could be relied on to assist in repressing disorder that might threaten any special foreign interests.

Negotiations Transferred.  
St. Petersburg, Jan. 15.—The diplomatic Corps here regard favorably the suggestion of transfer the Russo-Japanese negotiations to St. Petersburg. They do not think it is intended to delay matters as interpreted abroad but believe it would remove negotiations from the hands of the war party represented by Admiral Alexieff, Russian Viceroy in the Far East, and enable the Czar and Foreign Minister Lamsdorff to more closely control them.

Japan Buys Coal.  
Detroit, Jan. 15.—A Detroit firm owning coal mines in Virginia has received a rush order for 40,000 tons of Pocahontas coal for the Japanese government. The order came through brokerage firm whose identity was not disclosed.

The Reply Delivered.  
St. Petersburg, Jan. 15.—Japanese Minister M. Kurino today delivered the Japanese reply to the foreign office here.

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