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UNANIMOUS VOTING TO END TREATY WITH CZAR

It Is Not in Behalf of Ill-Used Jews.

WORTH LOSER AGAIN

Was Fight of Cotton Interests to Prevent Competition in Europe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Murder of the Russian-American treaty, it is declared, and it came out today in the course of a debate on the Russo-American treaty of 1832, the abrogation of which was carried in the Senate by a vote of 71 and none against.

Senator Culberson, Democrat, of Texas, told how a year ago before the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs he introduced a somewhat similar resolution to that of Sulzer. But his resolution seems to have failed to pass, a sufficiently careful catchment in the Senate's hearings the facts of the big business defeated.

The whole business is a continuation of the Southern States' fight to control the world market in raw cotton. The matter of the Jewish-American passport was used as a bait to draw public opinion to this end.

The fact had come out before the Foreign Relations Committee that the American Manufacturing Company, the International Harvester Company, J. Morgan & Co., banking interests of John Hays Hammond had influence in Russia, and that the committee was altogether too cooperative of these interests in dealing with the situation.

It is charged that John Hays Hammond had been "hobnobbing with" the Russian government, and that he was negotiating the concession in Russo-Turkish expenditure of \$300,000,000 "to control cotton in competition with the United States."

Culberson demanded that the resolution should use vigorous language against the reasons for terminating the treaty.

"We ought to have the courage of our convictions," said Culberson. "We ought to say what we mean so that future generations may know why we terminated the treaty."

There have been suggestions in newspapers that this action might be to war with Russia, or that Russia and Japan might combine and attack the Philippines away from the United States. We gained possession of the Philippines under conditions that were not entirely creditable, and this Senate shall we continue to hold them at the price of national honor?

It was evident that the cotton producing interests hoped that a resolution offensive to Russia would be passed, and that by this means the Russo-Turkish deal would come to abrupt end.

It is another victory for the North-Western capitalists.

The Senate unanimously ratified President Taft's action in giving notice to Russia of the termination of the treaty of 1832. The House of Representatives will follow the Senate lead tomorrow, and then the measure of termination will have been fully completed.

The Joint resolution reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs, the substitute for the "old" Sulzer resolution, that the treaty, adopted without a dissenting vote, seventy-two Senators voted.

Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, introduced the debate. He avowed himself in favor of the termination of the treaty as the only "honorable" way open to the United States.

He urged moderation in the use of language for the resolution, and it was not important what he said on the floor of the Senate in Russia. Denunciation of that country was a "pleasant recreation" for Senators, and would not injure international relations; but he came to passing a resolution terminating the treaty, it was a matter of some importance as to the language used.

He argued that the main object of the resolution was the termination of the treaty and the negotiation of one that would afford better protection to American interests. He warned against the fact that it should avoid anything in the resolution that would increase in the burdens already imposed.

Politics Affected.

FRIDEBURG, Dec. 15.—The President Taft in notifying through Guild, the American Laborer here, of the abrogation of the treaty of 1832, has stimulated the bitterness and animosity of the laborer here, and the House have passed a resolution.

The question of opinion here, that considerable time before any attempt was made to obtain a new treaty, the laborer had already expressed.

JURY DRAWN IN TRIAL OF SING SING CONVICTS

A jury was drawn in the Westchester County Court at White Plains yesterday in the trial of the three convicts in Sing Sing Prison who are accused of attempting to murder Norman Miller, another inmate of the prison.

According to the story told today, the men on trial, John Clark, Arthur Lyon and John Holness, attacked Miller on July 22, last, because they believed he was lowering the morals of the inmates and placing them in a lower strata of Sing Sing society. Miller was struck on the head with a hammer with such force that part of his skull was crushed in and he now wears a silver plate.

Sixteen convicts in charge of Warden John S. Kennedy, State Detective Jackson and a number of sergeants, were brought to the White Plains Courthouse ready to testify for either the prosecution or for Miller, who is the prosecuting witness.

ENGLAND'S NEW GRAB MAY RAISE A ROW

Italy Likely to Resent Seizure of Solum From Turkey.

TRIPOLI, Dec. 19.—International complications may be caused, it was reported today, over the seizure by Turkey of the Solum district of Barco, in the eastern division of Turkey, which has recently been occupied by Egypt.

Solum has a most important port in Akaba. It is declared by naval and military experts that Akaba is necessary to protect the projected Italian naval station at Tobruk. Some experts declare that Akaba has the possibility of a finer naval station than even Bizerta, and would deprive Tobruk of much of its strategic value. What action Italy will take at this session of Turkish territory to keep it from falling into Italian hands with the rest of Tripoli is not known here.

Eighty thousand Italian troops are now in Tripoli. As soon as a transport system has been perfected there appears to be nothing to prevent the effective occupation of the whole of the annexed territory.

Several thousand Arab deserters have notified themselves at the Italian consulate. Many others are said to be deserting because of the scarcity of food and ammunition, declaring that the Turks have treated them cruelly.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Although officially denied, it is apparent that Great Britain intends to checkmate any Italian attempt to encroach on Egypt or to gain a dominant port in the Eastern Mediterranean under the pretext of a possible eventual victory over Turkey, whose claim to Solum might be pleaded as justifying its inclusion in the Italian conquest.

So long as Turkey was the only rival and claimant to Solum Bay, which is the best anchorage on this coast next to Alexandria, Great Britain did not push her claim, contenting herself with merely asserting it. Italy's entry into the arena altered the complexion of the controversy. Turkey now apparently has a remote chance of establishing her claim to Solum under the alleged arrangement for the cession of her rights in Egypt until after the present war, but it is very improbable that possession of Solum will ever be surrendered to Italy.

Margaris Imperiali, the Italian Ambassador to Great Britain, conferred with Sir Edward Grey, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, for some time today. It is reported that he remonstrated on behalf of his government at the action of Great Britain in making preparations to send troops to Solum.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—France has taken a similar step to that of Great Britain. On November 27 she occupied Djinet, an oasis in the Tripoli hinterland, for the purpose, as announced, "of maintaining the security of West Africa as well as of Algeria and Tunisia." Turkey has also claimed that Djinet was part of Tripoli and vigorously protested when some French soldiers visited the place in 1909.

TO AID GREEK WORKERS.

ALBANY, Dec. 18.—State Commissioner of Labor William today established a department in the interests of the Greeks, who come under the Labor Law. Aristides E. Geannalis, of New York, has been appointed a special investigator and head of the department.

veto of passports now possessed by the Minister of the Interior.

The abrogation of the treaty, which is regarded here from the "most serious viewpoints," will have an immediate effect upon Russian politics. The abrogation will coincide with the patriotic anniversary of 1912 and the National and Conservative parties are angered.

The hitch, which advances a rather advanced view, describes Taft's action as correct. It says it is a friendly and moral rebuke which Russia cannot escape. It not only touches the American difficulty, but also the horrible treatment of Jews generally in Russia.

HERLIN, Dec. 19.—The Pan-German organ Die Post describes the action of President Taft with regard to the abrogation of the Russian treaty as a piece of political impudence unparalleled in the history of any unrestrained diplomacy. It says that it is a mistake to believe the role of moral arbiter of the world in underwriting the Russian policy, for Russia has she shall show her internal affairs.

STEEL WITNESS CRIES CONSPIRACY

John G. Brown, of Chicago, Tells Stanley Committee of Deals in Minnesota Case.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Charging in effect that the celebrated case brought by "Brown and others" against the Duluth and Iron Range Railroad before the Minnesota Railroad and Warehouse Commission in 1908 was withdrawn as the result of a "conspiracy," John G. Brown of Chicago today appeared before the Stanley Steel Investigating Committee.

Brown denied in the most emphatic manner that the assertion made by Joseph B. Cotton of Duluth in a telegram to Chairman Stanley, and repeated yesterday by Cotton when he appeared as a witness before the Steel Committee, that the suit was withdrawn on the petition of the complainants. The case was dropped, according to Brown, with the understanding that the complainants were to receive the benefit of reduced rates, whereas, according to the witness, the Oliver Mining Company was the only concern that derived any advantage from the withdrawal of the suit.

There was constant wrangling among the committeemen today as to the relevancy of the testimony of Brown. Repeated objections were made by D. A. Reed, counsel for the United States Steel Corporation, that Brown's narrative really had no bearing on the affairs of the corporation, and for that reason should not be admitted to the record of the case. Some of the committeemen were disposed to agree with Reed, but Chairman Stanley insisted that the witness should proceed.

SIXTH HALL SLAYER SENT TO THE CHAIR

A jury in the Supreme Court at White Plains yesterday, after being out less than five minutes, found Salvatore DiMarco, the sixth and last member of the band which attacked the Griffon farmhouse at Croton Lake, during which Mrs. Mary C. Hall was murdered, guilty of murder in the first degree. Justice Tompkins immediately pronounced the death sentence. The jury was out less than five minutes, despite the fact that the principal evidence against the prisoner was his own confession.

DiMarco made no defense, although he was represented by Lawyer Clifford L. Beare, of Manhattan, who had questioned many witnesses. The other five members of the gang who were at the Griffon farmhouse when the murder was committed are now in the death house at Sing Sing Prison awaiting electrocution.

CHICAGO ARISTOCRATS IN COCAINE SCANDAL

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—A gigantic conspiracy for the sale of cocaine to the "drug fiends" of Chicago, involving some of the wealthiest physicians and pharmacists in the city, has been unearthed by secret investigators of the Civil Service Commission.

The sudden development in the vice crusade became public late today when a number of prominent doctors and druggists were called before Maj. James Miles, head of the Efficiency Bureau, and other investigators.

Positive evidence, it is asserted, has been obtained linking the names of some of the proudest and wealthiest families of Chicago with the drug traffic.

CUNARD CO. CHAIRMAN SORE ON SHERMAN LAW

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 19.—A meeting of the Cunard Steamship Company, held here today, voted its approval of an increase of the capital by \$4,500,000. The additional capital is to be extended chiefly in carrying out the recent purchase by the Cunard Company of the control of the Anchor Line of steamships running between Glasgow and New York.

The chairman of the company complained that the prohibition of emigration to America had adversely affected business. He said that there could be no improvement in this respect so long as trade development in America was "paralyzed by the uncertain application of the Sherman Law."

SCAB-DRIVEN TAXI COLLIDES WITH CAR

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—Fifteen persons were injured in a collision of a taxicab with a street car near the Union Station early today.

William Fullen, a secret service man, riding in the taxicab, was injured fatally. He was there to "protect" the non-union driver from strike sympathizers.

John Tucker, the chauffeur, said he had been struck by a brick thrown a few minutes before the accident, and this caused him to run into the car.

A SHOOTER TO THE RESCUE.

Edward Going to Permia to Help Out His "KID" Cousin.

Edward H. Shuster, cousin of W. Morgan Shuster, treasurer general of Permia, arrived yesterday from Crystal in the Panama Canal Zone, by the steamship Colon, saying that he was going to Permia to help the treasurer general in his trouble with Russia. Shuster has been six years in the quartermaster's department in the Canal Zone.

He says Morgan Shuster is the "kid of the family," but quite competent to take care of himself.

PACKERS' EMPLOYEES WANT THEM JAILED

Issue Statement Showing How Barons Agree on Meat Prices.

(Special to The Call.)

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—The office employees of the Chicago packers, on trial for violation of the Anti-Trust Law, have issued a statement to the Chicago Daily Socialist in which they express the hope that their bosses will be convicted and jailed. The statement reads:

"You are respectfully requested by the employees of the office of the National Packing Company to use all of your influence and prestige in behalf of a conviction and imprisonment in the case of the United States Government vs. Packers, as we have worked fourteen nights until 9 o'clock without pay compiling evidence in behalf of the packers."

Government Can't Convict.

The statement goes on to declare that on its present basis the government will be unable to secure a conviction, and shows how prices are fixed and how government inspectors are placated. The statement goes on to declare that the Beef Trust, now before the courts, is one more evidence of the utter failure of the old parties to carry out their threats and promises or to gain one single point of reform.

The packers, and especially the National Packing Company, are doing as legitimate a business as any other firm or corporation in business from the standpoint of violating the interstate laws. That is not the place or instance where they are violating the law.

The packers will prove they are selling products in every locality in the United States the same as others and competing with all.

"Where they are violating the law is in the fact that they make the price as low as possible."

The price is fixed, it is declared, by agreeing on the price of the live animal, and as all the packers use the same schedule for each operation the result is the same—a uniform price for the finished article. "If a packer slaughters 30,000 animals a month he makes a clean profit of \$45,000 a month."

Packers, Choose Inspectors.

The packers are charged by the employees with conspiring against the government in the appointment of inspectors who are willing to please the packers in the public inspection of meats. It was this government inspection of meats that was intended by the government to prevent the killing of diseased animals and their sale to the American people.

The government takes incompetent men from the ranks of the packing house laborers and pays them \$33 per month for doing nothing but pleasing the packer, but if the packer pays his laborers over 30 cents an hour, forty hours a week, he thinks he is giving him a fortune.

The jury that is to try the packers was completed today, and United States District Attorney James H. Wilkerson opened his case, stigmatising the barons as criminal, lawless and cruel in their methods. Wilkerson said that an old pool in 1885 divided the country up into seven districts, where Swift was allotted 37 per cent in each territory; Armour, 27 per cent; Morris, 14 per cent; the Hammond group, 13; Schwarzschild & Sulzberger, 9; Cudahy, 4. Each week the pool met on Tuesday and discussed conditions, shipments, prices, etc.

"These meetings were held secretly," he said. "So criminal were these meetings in their nature and so crude that it was finally decided to operate on a different basis. This resulted in the organization of the National Packing Company."

"The peculiarity of the business required unusual methods of combination," Wilkerson explained. "It was impossible that a combination with reference to the price of meat could be made along the lines of the Steel Trust. In the meat business the perishable nature of the product, and the fact that grades are constantly changing, made the combination a unique one."

JAURES STIRS UP FRENCH CHAMBER

Socialist Deputy Sharply Scores "Patriots" Who Interrupt His Morocco-Kongo Speech.

PARIS, Dec. 19.—Jean Jaures, the Socialist leader, raised a tumult today during the discussion of the Franco-German agreement in regard to Morocco and the French Kongo. The members of the chamber, as well as the people generally, are weary of the discussion, as it cannot accomplish anything. The chamber cannot alter or amend the agreement; it must either approve or reject it.

Jaures made a severe attack on France, declaring that in this agreement she was violating the terms of the Algerias convention. Jaures continued: "In these days it is only dupes who fall to violate treaties, but it is deplorable to see France lowering her international dignity and royalty."

M. Brisson, President of the Chamber, called Jaures to order for this referring to France. Jaures went on to make some sarcastic remarks about the patriotic indignation which marked those who ruined France and protests and counter protests arose from the members of the Left, who began to quit the Chamber. Friends prevented this, however, and Jaures was finally able to conclude his speech.

I. C. STRIKERS' BALL WAS GREAT SUCCESS

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—The Illinois Central strikers' grand ball, given in the Coliseum, was a big success. More than 5,000 are estimated to have attended during the evening and about \$1,000 was raised for the strikers' benefit fund.

The dance was a rousing rally for the strikers and their sympathizers who have supported them throughout the long fight against the company. Practically every labor union in the city was represented by some official, and leaders from all the different crafts of the Southern Pacific and Union Pacific roads attended.

Attorney Frank Comerford, general counsel for the System Federation, made a brief address to the dancers during an intermission, explaining the importance of the strike, and declaring that the cause of the striking shippers would be to all organized labor everywhere and the necessity of labor unions supporting the strikers by every means in their power.

W. E. Murray, chairman of the Arrangements Committee, was highly pleased with the success of the ball, which, he said, was greater by far than he had expected. He said:

"If the attendance doesn't show the Illinois Central that the public is just as in this fight, I guess that they'll just have to learn it by bitter experience. To anybody else the success of our benefit ball will show that we've already practically won the fight."

NO ACTION ON MORSE CASE FOR A WHILE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—President Taft will take no action for the present upon the application of Charles W. Morse, the former New York banker, for a commutation of his fifteen-year sentence to the Federal Prison at Atlanta, Ga., for violation of the national banking laws. According to a report from the army surgeon at the post hospital at Fort McPherson, Ga., to which Morse was recently removed from the prison hospital, his condition is not critical. His health is about the same as when he entered the prison two years ago.

After a conference between President Taft and Attorney General Wilkerson today, it became known that no action will take place upon Morse's commutation application. It is said that the Federal Government has done as much as now can be done in permitting Morse's removal to the fort hospital at Fort McPherson for treatment.

LOSS OF POSITION DRIVES HER INSANE

Despondent over the loss of her position as a stenographer with a Manhattan wholesale concern, Carrie Rice, 29 years old, who lived with a married sister at 103 9th street, Brooklyn, became demoralized during the past week and yesterday got so violent her sister called Dr. Greenwald, of the Williamsburg Hospital, and she was removed to the observation ward of the Kings County Hospital.

ILLEGAL BIDS SET ASIDE.

Jersey Court Thinks Atlantic City Officials Got Graft.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 19.—The Supreme Court today set aside as illegal contract bids amounting to nearly half a million dollars awarded to the United Paving Company for paving the streets of Atlantic City with bituminous, a patent article owned by Warren Bros.

In the opinion, which was written by Justice Garrison, a number of the city officials are severely scored for their methods to prevent competitive bidding.

THEATER STANDEES TO BE ROPED OFF

Acting upon the suggestion from Mayor Gaynor, the Board of Aldermen yesterday recalled from the Mayor for amendment the ordinance passed last week permitting standees in theaters.

An amendment was then adopted providing that the standees in theaters be roped off and that no person be allowed to stand on any seats or other material which could be readily broken in case of need.

ARE YOU ONE OF THOSE WHO SAY "I DON'T CARE FOR 16 CENTS. I GO TO NEW YORK AND BUY MY CLOTHES." DO YOU EVER STOP TO THINK THAT IT PROBABLY COSTS YOU \$10 MORE THAN YOU COULD HAVE BOUGHT THE SAME IDENTICAL SUIT OR DRESS IF YOU HAD FOLLOWED THE ADVICE OF THE OBSERVER'S "MAGNANIMOUS BROTHERS"?

THESE IT OVER.

Are you one of those who say "I don't care for 16 cents. I go to New York and buy my clothes." Do you ever stop to think that it probably costs you \$10 more than you could have bought the same identical suit or dress if you had followed the advice of the Observer's "Magnanimous Brothers"?

YALE PROFESSORS JOIN SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 19.—For the first time in the history of the suffrage movement in this city, several prominent men of the city, headed by a Yale professor, have joined the Equal Franchise League and are going to help the women to get the vote in Connecticut, according to announcement here tonight.

At a meeting of the league held at the home of Miss Elsie Farnum, niece of Prof. Henry W. Farnum, professor of political economy at Yale, it was announced that Prof. George L. Hendrickson, professor of the Latin language and literature; Leonard Tyler, Victor M. Tyler, son of the late Treasurer of Yale University; Col. N. C. Osborn, editor of the Journal and Courier; Louis E. Stoddard, the well known pony polo player, and Alderman; his brother, Charles F. Stoddard, and William S. Murray had joined the league.

6 POWERS PRESENT NOTE TO CHINESE

Prepares Way for Intervention and Grabbing of Territory as Indemnity.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—In a joint note, handed to the Chinese Peace Commissioners at Shanghai today, signed by the United States, England, France, Germany, Russia and Japan, the ground is laid by which the powers hope to enter Chinese territory and take what they want of it.

Next to the fact of the Chinese-Peace Conference itself, the presentation by the six powers of the joint note to the Peace Commissioners is considered at the State Department as the most significant turn thus far given to the Chinese situation.

In the note, presented to imperialist and revolutionist delegates alike, by the six powers, it is pointed out that the six governments signatory to the note consider that the present struggle in China seriously affects, not only China itself, but also the material interests and the security of foreigners in that country.

The note continues with the statement that the governments, while maintaining an attitude of strict neutrality, seem to wish to point out to the Chinese that the concentration of the control of the present disturbance in a few hands, such as the diplomatic representatives at Peking of the United States, Great Britain, France, Russia and Germany, there is no commitment of the fact that it was intended to convey to the leaders now responsible for peace or war a hint of what they may expect in case of a refusal of either side to agree to some sort of settlement.

Behind this note, it is understood, is the combined force of all the six powers, and the readiness of each to act in concert in China, Great Britain, France and Germany, it has been understood, have been supporting the policy of the United States in regard to joint action.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 19.—There will be no further meeting of the conference until after Yuan Shi Kai has moved the imperial troops out of the territory which they have occupied since the armistice was declared. Yuan is ordering his generals to move with great speed so that another session of the conference can be held.

Tung Shao Wu today expressed astonishment over the promulgation of notification in the month of a republic. He admitted that he believed the majority of Chinese were in favor of this form of government, but he does not think it is advisable at this time.

There is a general opinion here that whatever form of government is decided upon, Yuan Shi Kai will be the man in power. If Yuan's suggestion is carried out and a constitutional monarchy is adopted with the present Emperor Pu-Vi heading a new Chinese dynasty, Yuan will be Premier. If a republic is formed, the Premier in all probability will be selected President.

Yuan's representatives are evidently resigned to the overthrow of Yuan's rule. If Pu-Vi becomes Emperor, as the head of a Chinese dynasty, all of the Manchurian nobles will lose their power and also the huge emoluments which they have enjoyed ever since the present dynasty came into power.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—A special to the Central News from Calcutta this afternoon declares that the Chinese government in Tibet notified last month of some of the news of the Chinese rebellion, and that the Amban was imprisoned in the palace at Lassa, the sacred city, and the whole country given over to pillage. It is said the rebels plundered all the sacred objects.

HARRIS AND BLANK WITNESSES REFUTE THEIR OWN STORIES

Waist Bosses' Friends Make It Look Bad for Them.

LOCKED DOOR TALE

Testimony Now Contradicts That Given Authorities in April.

Yesterday was the first day of the defense in the case of Harris and Blank, the shirt waist manufacturing on trial before Judge Crain on the charge of manslaughter, because of the loss of 145 lives in a fire in their shop on March 25, and it was a bad day for the defense.

The witnesses whom Man Stoen, the attorney for the manufacturers, produced in court to show that the Washington Place door on the ninth floor of the Arch Building was locked at the time of the fire, were pieces upon cross-examination by Assistant District Attorney Bestwick. Just before the close of the day one of these star witnesses for Harris and Blank was confronted with a statement which he made in the District Attorney's office in the presence of witnesses that contradicted every word he said on the witness stand. Assistant District Attorney Bestwick then dropped the remark that he expects "further proceedings," against some of the witnesses.

Hadn't Seen Stoen.

Attorney Stoen himself was by no means certain about some of the witnesses whom he produced to aid the side of the case, the side of the manufacturers. And when Bestwick announced that there would be a re-examination of these witnesses he looked at them with a look that showed that they had never seen him, Stoen, before.

The witness that the defense attached great importance to was Mrs. May Lavantine, of 44 Christopher street, a young mother of three children, but who looks like a girl.

She told the court that when the fire broke out on March 25 she was in the dressing room. She rushed to the Washington place elevator. The elevator was not near the door just at that moment, and she rushed to the door. The key was in the door. She turned the key, opened the door, looked into the hall and found it full of smoke and flames. She then quickly shut the door, without looking it, however, and went to the elevator shaft, where she grabbed hold of an elevator cable and slid down to safety.

Such was the story of Mrs. Lavantine until Bestwick began his cross-examination.

Bestwick and Crain.

After half an hour of cross-examination, Mrs. Lavantine's story was sounded far from convincing.

The cross-examination of the witness brought out to light the fact that Mrs. Lavantine had never seen Blank's cashier, named Bestwick, who had visited her, and she had never seen him. The witness also admitted that she had never seen Mrs. Lavantine's husband, and that she had never seen Mrs. Lavantine's children.

"I don't know any one named Bestwick," she said. "I don't know any one named Blank."

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WOULD STOP GAS BUSINESS.

RUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The ground that the proposed Buffalo Gas Fuel Company, with other Buffalo, New York and Southern Pennsylvania gas companies, under the name of the proposed National Gas Fuel Company, is carrying on public business with the Buffalo Gas Fuel Company, will be stopped by the Medical Department of the army. The investigation, which discloses the methods of reduction, \$25,000 was made.

drawn and the court and attorneys then began straightening out the law on the matter.

A Privileged Person.

Mrs. Levantino testified that the key to the Washington place door was tied to the door knob by a piece of cloth which was half a yard long.

Thomas Horton was the next witness. Horton is the colored porter in the Asch Building.

Bostwick confronted him with a long statement which the porter had made in the District Attorney's office in April.

Witness Breaks Down. For fully half an hour Bostwick kept on confronting Horton with his statements about the locked door.

Reginald J. Williamson, the colored porter who worked on the ninth floor, testified that Blanck upbraided and threatened to discharge him once because the key on the Washington place door was tied too near the knob.

On cross-examination he testified that he was not on the ninth floor at the time the fire broke out, but that he knew that the key was there.

Labor Commissioner Williams. State Commissioner of Labor John Williams on the witness stand produced the inspection cards telling of the condition of the Triangle shop the year before the fire.

Isaac Stern, a steam contractor having charge of the Asch Building, said that he could not recall any instance when the doors on the Washington place side were closed.

Bostwick read a statement which Stern made to the Coroner's jury and said that the employees never used the Washington place stairs.

Stern said that he went up to the Blanck factory about 200 times a year. "1,000,000 Cats" Story.

Max Hirsh, an embroidery salesman, testified that he went into the Triangle shop the year before the fire, about seventy-five times.

The Rose Door The Story of a House of Prostitution by ESTELLE BAKER

It is roughly estimated that there are over 500,000 women and girls in the United States who earn their living by the sale of their bodies.



Miss Baker's book is not a preachment, nor a theory or a "study," but a living, gripping story of the Actual Lives of four Women of the Streets.

Get this book for your daughters and your sons. You need it and your neighbor will be a wiser and better man for having read it.

Advertisement for F. Schneider, watchmaker and jeweler, located at 421 Sixth Ave. between 25th and 26th Sts. Open evenings till 10 o'clock.

of times he visited the shop dwindled down to six times in the year before the fire. Of these six visits he went up to the lobby by the Washington place door twice, he said.

IRON WORKERS NOW SURRENDER BOOKS

Give Up Fight Made Since Kidnapping of McNamara in April and Withdraws Appeal.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 19.—The long contest for possession of correspondence and books of the Iron Workers' Association ended today when counsel withdrew their appeal to the Indiana Supreme Court from an order of a County Court turning the records over to the Federal Grand Jury.

The "evidence" was seized in a raid on the association's offices on April 22 last, when J. J. McNamara was kidnapped, and since been in litigation.

CONTRADICTS LORIMER VOTER.

Witness Says Legislator Did Tell Him He Intended to Get Money.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—Last week D. D. Brownback, a Republican member of the Illinois Legislature, who voted for Senator Lorimer, denied accusations by Leslie Taylor, a lawyer of Taylorville.

WILLETT DECISION NOT GIVEN.

Justice Aspinall in the Supreme Court, Queens County, yesterday morning did not file the decision on the writ of habeas corpus obtained in behalf of Joseph Castrdy, William Willett, and Louis T. Walter.

SITUATION IN PORTUGAL.

False Reports Spread Concerning Disension Among Republicans—In Spite of Opposition and Poverty of Country Great Progress Has Been Made.

LISBON, Dec. 6.—A part of the European press has recently appeared to be concerned over the situation in Portugal. It has considered it grave, due to the fact that a royalist attempt has been made, and that a division among the Republicans has been announced.

The royalists are now far from the Portuguese frontier, disarmed by the Spaniards, who, although tardy and in spite of the wishes of the reactionaries, have finally done their duty in this respect.

As to the division among the Republicans it has not the significance which some desire to give it. Some days ago the Portuguese Journals published an account of the sessions of the Republican Congress.

It is true that two doctors and deputies, Antonio Jose d'Almeida and Brito Camacho, members of the old provisional government separated from the party to which they belonged for so many years.

This party counts upon the support of some large proprietors who are monarchists at heart, and on priests, bureaucrats and other reactionaries.

HOOSIER GOVERNOR MIXES IN GRAFT ROW

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 19.—Governor Marshall today directed the Attorney General to give his attention to affairs of Lake County and assist in the suppression of vice, as requested yesterday by members of the Grand Jury who visited him here.

Prosecuting Attorney Charles Grunwald tried one man on an indictment, but the defendant was found not guilty and the prosecutor sole possessed the remainder.

THIS JOB HIS LAST.

Charles Normanden, 27, of 237 Gold street, Brooklyn, having a wife and several children, had been unemployed for a long time when he secured a job yesterday as window cleaner in the seven-story loft building, 134 West 55th street, a few doors from Sixth avenue.

GROUND UP UNDER TRAIN.

BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Their wagon smashed by an east-bound train on the Lackawanna Railroad today, W. H. Coy and Alpheus Finch were instantly killed and their bodies thrown to the westbound track, where another train ground them to bits.

Arbeiter Kranken u. Sterbe-Kasse fuer die Ver. Staaten von America WORKMEN'S

The above society was founded in the year 1884 by workmen imbued with the spirit of solidarity and Socialist thought.

Read The Rose Door. Go down into the depths of pain and love and misery with your Sisters of the Street. There you will find the cause of their degradation—and

CANADIAN TEXTILE WORKERS REVOLT

Cotton Mill "Hands" Strike Against Starvation Wages Paid by Trust.

COWANSVILLE, Quebec, Dec. 14.—The greed of the textile bosses of Canada is well shown up in the following article appearing in Cotton's Weekly.

"At Magog, Quebec, there is a strike on the mills of the Dominion Textile Company there. It is a small strike, as strikes go nowadays.

"Two years ago the company cut the wages of the cotton mill employees 10 per cent. It was claimed that times were hard and that wages would be restored to the former level just as soon as times got good again.

"We all know how the cost of living has been going up. Yet these wages remained cut. We know how during the past election campaign, both parties claimed that times were good and everything was prosperous.

"Mr. Frank Daniels, general manager of the company, declares that the company cannot afford to raise wages on the cotton mill trade in good in the United States and in England, and while the price of raw material is low, nevertheless the trade is 'spotty' in Canada.

COMPERS DEFIES BURNS.

Says He Feared No Man and Asks Why Evidence Isn't Produced.

While Samuel Compers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was attending the meeting of the Factory Investigating Committee Monday, he was asked about the statement made a few days ago by Burns, the detective, that he, Burns, had enough evidence in hand to drive Compers out of the ranks of organized labor.

TO BOOST GERMAN ARMY.

BERLIN, Dec. 19.—Declaring that Germany's famous military spirit and patriotism was being undermined by a sweeping order of condemnation that is sweeping over the country, General Helm, one of the best known retired officers of the army, today issued a league. The purpose of the organization will be to start agitation for a larger army.

SLOW IN CHANGING NAMES.

The present Board of Aldermen is not likely to make any change in the names of Brooklyn's streets. Tammany leader Frank Dowling said at yesterday's meeting that no vote would be taken until next Tuesday on the ordinance proposing to rename some of the thoroughfares beyond the bridge.

Advertisement for O. W. Wuertz Pianos and Player Pianos, located at 1518 Third Ave. in Manhattan.

Advertisement for EX-LAX, a laxative chocolate, available in 10 and 25 cent packages.

Advertisement for UNION MADE SHOES, for men, women and children, only best qualities, available at Harlan Shoe Company.

Advertisement for GILLES COFFEE, 20c lb., available at wholesale prices.

FLEGENHEIMER BROS. FREE HOLIDAY SOUVENIRS



With Each Purchase of \$5.00 We Will Give You One of These Beautiful Imported Steins.

Table listing various wine and whiskey products with prices per gallon.

Advertisement for FLEGENHEIMER BROS. Tonic Port, located at 261-269 Eighth Ave., New York.

Advertisement for S. SACHAROFF LIQUOR DEALER, located at 94 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn.

COLORADO CAMP IS RAIDED BY THUGS

Desperadoes in Employ of Coal Barons Shoot Up Miners' Cabins.

"The reason why the company will not raise wages is an unkindly account of poverty, but because the official hope that hunger will drive many wage slaves to seek jobs at low pay.

Advertisement for Dolls' Hospital, located at 124 East 12th St., New York.

SOCIALISTS IN FREE SPEECH FIGHT

Speaker Discharged. Others Let Go on Suspended Sentence.

The free speech fight of the Socialist party is still on in Brooklyn. Magistrate Reynolds, in the Adams Court yesterday discharged William M. P. Fitzgibbon, who was arrested on November 22, while addressing a meeting in front of the Hamilton Hotel, Washington and Broadway streets. Reynolds, who was acting as Deputy Police Commissioner, tried to convict the speaker during the free speech fight at the time of the American Manufacturing Company, generally called the Cardozo Trust, could not, however, get away without showing that he could do something, so he found the speaker guilty.

Nancy Rubinfeld and George Cooney, who were arrested at the same time on November 23 and charged with interfering with scab street cleaners who were trying to remove the furniture from the hotel, were also found guilty and let go on a suspended sentence. The scab driver, a street cleaning inspector, Manager Stark, of the Clarence Hotel, and two cops were among the witnesses who appeared against Reynolds and Rubinfeld.

While Stark was testifying, Sol S. Schwartz, attorney for the Socialist party, interposed and told the Magistrate that Stark had in a previous case proved that his testimony was untrue and asked that his testimony be disregarded.

J. T. Vaughan, who was one of the speakers at the meeting when Rubinfeld and Cozenza were arrested, was called as a witness in their behalf. When asked what he said during the course of his address, he said he was announcing the city administration was trying to break the strike of the street cleaners. Vaughan made a speech in court and was cheered by an audience awaiting disposition of his case. J. Anderson, a building contractor, also testified that the hotel people were trying to break up the meeting while trying to get the scab street cleaners to ride into the crowd. Magistrate Reynolds then said he would reserve decision in the case until he heard Fitzgibbon's case. After discharging Fitzgibbon he said he found the other two Socialist speakers guilty, but would let them go on a suspended sentence. Attorney Schwartz made a talk in which he said the Socialist party would soon be the leading party, as the Democratic party is already sliding away, and the Republican party is also going to pieces.

READY TO BLOW UP RIVAL'S STEAMERS

Bluefields Company Charges that Business Competitors Planned to Use Violence to Get Trade.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 18.—That officers of one of the Bluefields Steamship Company's rivals had urged the destruction of the Bluefields Steamship Company's vessels, if necessary to prevent its competing for the trade between Southern ports and the semi-tropics, is the charge contained in letters submitted in connection with the Bluefields company's receivership case.

Reginald Carter, clerk of the United States Circuit Court, admitted today that a batch of letters had been filed in connection with the receivership case, but said that he could not divulge their contents until they had been copied and permission had been received from Judge Owens, of counsel for the Bluefields company.

It is understood the charges will cause the Bluefields company's case to be regarded as a most sensational piece of litigation. It is even hinted that if the accusations can be corroborated that criminal prosecution will follow. It is not known to what company the accusations refer. Numerous concerns frequently send tramp steamers into the trade and one of a score of companies might be the one involved.

RELEASED PRISONER NABBED AT DOOR

Charles T. Estabrook, 46 years old, an insurance adjuster, was released from Auburn Prison Monday morning after a commutation of his sentence by Governor Dix. He had served eighteen months of a sentence of not less than two nor more than four years. He was met at the prison gate by Detective Spensens of District Attorney Whitman's office and arrested on a bench warrant, dated New York City, July 20, 1910, charging him with presenting or causing to be presented a false and fraudulent claim.

He was brought down to Manhattan Police Headquarters, where he was entered on the blotter as offering a false claim for payment, and locked up in the Tombs Prison. His address on the blotter was 153 Park place, Brooklyn. He is married.

BROOKLYN SAID TO BE IN PERIL OF FIRE

The fire alarm system in Brooklyn is dangerously untrustworthy and inadequate, according to a report made public Monday by the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

Wires from all over New York lead to the central station in the Fire Headquarters Building, and according to the engineers who have investigated, a small fire in the basement there would be sufficient to put the entire system out of business. The building is not fireproof, and owing to the storage of waste paper and kindling wood in the basement close to the alarm cables, a disabling fire is likely to occur at any time.

A new system to include a fireproof headquarters building is now being designed.

UNIONS AID SHANK'S CHEAP FOOD FIGHT

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 18.—Mayor S. L. Shank's personally conducted sales of potatoes, turkeys and Christmas trees at cut prices have inspired the formation of an association to reinforce the Mayor in his "war on the middleman."

Two thousand shares of stock in the Wage Earners' Co-operative Association were put on sale today at \$5 per share. Its organizers plan to open a depot where the ultimate consumer of foodstuffs will meet the producer, thereby eliminating the jobber's profit. The campaign for membership will be made largely through the Central Labor Union.

FIGHT IN ELEVATED TRAIN.

Boy Rowdies Start Scuffle and Other Passengers Join In.

Two boys started a fight in a north-bound Third avenue elevated train at 6:30 o'clock Monday night. Other passengers joined in and when the train pulled into the 106th street station the motorman was blowing his whistle for help. Policeman Hanft collared two of the fighters, but four others got away and ran down the stairs and disappeared.

The boys arrested gave their names as Charles Beales, 16 years old, of 249 East 118th street, and James Naamone, 16 years old, of 323 East 115th street. They were charged with disorderly conduct and taken to night court.

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CORTELYOU WILL NOT MEET GAS WORKERS

Strike Is Postponed Until After Christmas at Clergy's Request.

"Nothing to arbitrate," was the reply given by George B. Cortelyou, president of the Consolidated Gas Company yesterday to a committee of clergymen who called on him to see whether they could not settle the grievances of the gas workers and thus avoid a strike. President Cortelyou told the committee, "I do not wish to meet Mr. Wyatt or his associates on the ground that the employees of the Consolidated Gas Company are not concerned in this movement."

The strike, which was threatened to be called today, was postponed at the request of the Interdenominational Committee for the Promotion of Industrial Arbitration. A committee of that body, consisting of Rev. Charles S. MacFarland, secretary of the organization, Rev. George William Douglas and Rev. Frank Oliver Hall, called on Organizer Wyatt, of the A. F. of L., and asked him that no action should be taken until after Christmas and before they consult Cortelyou and see whether they could not bring about a settlement.

Wyatt gave them copies of letters dated November 29 and December 15, sent to Cortelyou to which he received no reply. The company then called on Cortelyou at the office on 11th street and Fourth avenue, and after an hour's consultation about the matter got no satisfactory reply. The Rev. MacFarland said last night the body would to-morrow hear what Wyatt and the Gas Workers' have to say about the matter before they take further action.

It was said last night that the State Board of Mediation and Arbitration would also take a hand in the matter and that the Civic Federation would probably also get in and prevent a strike. In the meantime the threat of a strike to be called to-day was called off until the clergy see what they can do on the matter.

At the office of the American Federation of Labor, organizer H. F. Keating said that many men are coming into the union, most of them being employees of the Consolidated Gas Company. He said the threatened strike would be made good if the companies fail to take any action on the letters sent to them.

CONDUCTOR GETS \$22,500 DAMAGES

Man Crippled for Life Wins Verdict Against New Haven R. R. Under Federal Liability Law.

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STRIKING TRUCKMEN IN FIGHT WITH SCABS

The claim that has attended the strike of the truckmen who have been out on strike against the Garvey Express Company, 347 West 10th street, was broken Monday when the strikers had a skirmish with scabs now at work on the Garvey trucks which resulted in Thomas Garvey, Jr., being seriously injured. Garvey was taken to the New York Hospital, where it was said his wounds were not serious.

The fight took place on 28th street as the scabs were trying to drive a team of horses with a load of books from 516 West 26th street. As the wagon turned the corner, the strikers got into a scarp with the scabs which resulted in Garvey sustaining injuries. The assailants all disappeared before the police arrived, but Garvey stated at the hospital he could identify his assailants.

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HAYWOOD AT COOPER UNION ON THURSDAY

The last big Socialist meeting of this year will take place Thursday evening at Cooper Union, where William D. Haywood, a central figure in the famous Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone case, will speak on "Socialism, the Hope of the Workers." Haywood is a forcible and revolutionary speaker and undoubtedly a large crowd will jam historic Cooper Union to hear his message. Julius Gerber, organizer of Local New York, under whose auspices the meeting will be held, will also speak and the Wright brothers will sing.

Haywood will trace the steps by which the toilers seek to develop and train themselves in solidarity and class action for the final conquest of power and the attainment of working class supremacy.

KENTUCKY COAL MINES ABOUT TO BE MERGED

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 18.—Eastern capitalists, including General T. Coleman Dupont, of Wilmington, Del., are conferring with Kentucky coal operators with a view of consolidating coal mines and property rights in the Southwestern part of the State valued at \$10,000,000.

If the deal is consummated, which it is said is nearly completed, will be the largest coal deal that has ever been manipulated in Kentucky. Coal operators state that if the merger is completed, that there will be several more mines opened which will give several thousand more men work and will give Kentucky a much higher rating as a coal producing State.

HUNGARIAN MACHINISTS MEET.

The Hungarian Iron and Metal Workers' Association Local 27, of the Brotherhood of Machinists, reports that at its meeting on December 10 it expelled the following members and branded them as strikebreakers: Joe Molnar, Louis Wagner, Joe Zinkler, and Joe Fragsal.

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ILL. MOB DAMAGE LAW IS UPHELD

Supreme Court Says Statute Is Constitutional and Tends to Uphold "Majesty of the Law."

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The constitutionality of the Illinois statute to indemnify owners of property from damages occasioned by mobs or riots, was upheld today by the Supreme Court of the United States. Several cases brought under this law are said to be pending in the Illinois State courts, involving claims for damages aggregating many millions of dollars.

During a strike in Chicago on July 16, 1903, a six-story building, owned by Frank Sturges, was attacked. Under the Mob Law, Sturges recovered from the city three-fourths of the damages sustained. The city then appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States on the ground that the law was unconstitutional.

Justice Lurton, in announcing the decision, said that the tendency of the statute was to uphold the "majesty of the law."

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1,000 INDICTMENTS IN VIRGINIA COUNTY

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 18.—A report from Lee County tonight states unofficially that about one thousand indictments have been returned in that county by the Grand Jury that is investigating the alleged wholesale corruption of the electorates of that county.

The Grand Jury proceedings are being carefully guarded, but the entire county is shaken from center to circumference and the end of the investigation is not yet in sight. Judge Steen will adjourn the Grand Jury for Christmas this week, but at least two weeks will be consumed after Christmas in probing further into the alleged hoodlums.

LOYD GEORGE AVENGED.

Boy Suffragist Who Blackened His Eye Sent to Hard Labor.

LONDON, Dec. 18.—In the Bow Street Police Court today the 18-year-old clerk, McDougall, who, on Saturday, struck Lloyd George in the face with a brass bound box containing suffragist pamphlets, disclaimed all malice. He said that the missile was intended to smash a window to direct attention to the exclusion of women from the meeting at Horticultural Hall.

McDougall was sentenced to serve two months at hard labor.

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JOHN BIGELOW DEAD AT AGE OF 94 YEARS

Veteran Diplomat and Author at Rest After Weeks of Suffering.

John Bigelow, frequently called America's grand old man, noted diplomat, Ambassador and author, died at 8 o'clock yesterday morning at his city home, 31 Gramercy square. Death came after weeks of intense suffering which had only been relieved in the last five or six hours by partial paralysis.

Although conscious to the last, for the past week his sufferings had been so intense that he simply lay in silence on his great, old-fashioned, four-poster bed. He left no farewell message. All he had to say to his family and to the nation had been said long ago, before death laid its hand on him, and his last hours were being marked off.

For years Bigelow had been a sufferer with bladder trouble. Last summer he had a severe attack, and for a time his end was at hand. He recovered, however, and November 25 celebrated his 94th birthday.

The funeral will take place at St. George's Church, Stuyvesant square, at 9:30 a.m. Friday and burial will be at Highland Falls.

John Bigelow was born at Malden, N. Y., on the right bank of the Hudson, about two miles from Saugerties, November 25, 1817, and he was mixed up in big affairs before the grandfathers of many of the present generation were born. His earliest memory was, he used to say, that of the blast that guard always gave on his "year of lin" as the Albany stage coach from New York would pass his Malden home. He was educated at Union College and then studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1839.

Ten years later he was with William Cullen Bryant, joint proprietor of the New York Evening Post, and occupied the chair of managing editor. He entered public life in 1861 as United States Consul at Paris. Three years later he was appointed charge d'affaires at the American legation in Paris. In the following year Bigelow was appointed American Minister to France and held the post until 1867.

He returned from France to become chairman of Governor Tilden's Central Investigating Committee, and thus began the acquaintance that resulted in his becoming president of the Tilden trust and executor of the Tilden estate. From 1875 until 1877 Bigelow was Secretary of State of New York.

OUT TO MAKE WINNING TEAM OF RUSTLERS

BOSTON, Dec. 19.—James E. Gaffney and John M. Ward, both of New York, formally took possession of the Boston National League Baseball Club this afternoon. The ceremony did not require much time after the new magnates had gone through certain preliminaries, and then the stockholders held their annual meeting and elected directors of the club.

Gaffney had a talk with the reporters after the meeting, and expressed his intention of putting Boston on the National League baseball map as soon as possible. President Ward was extremely optimistic as to the possibilities of making a winning team out of the present players, provided he could secure one or two reliable pitchers. With a team containing five .300 per cent batters, he saw no reason why, with the assistance of some good boxmen, the Boston club should not be well up in the league pennant hunt.

ZBYSKO ON HIS WAY HERE.

Stanislaus Zbysko, who is to meet Giovanni Racevich, the Italian champion, in a wrestling match at Madison Square Garden on Christmas night, will arrive in town today to finish training for the coming struggle. Since the Pole arrived in this country he has been wrestling almost every night in towns throughout the West and Middle West and it will not take much work to put him right on his feet for a grueling contest.

Word was received yesterday by the management that Frank Gotch was making every effort possible to cancel a couple of engagements so that he may be at the ringside when Zbysko and Racevich come together, and if he is the match between the winner and the champion will be made on the following morning, the day after Christmas.

MATHEWSON BACK FROM CUBA.

"Christy" Mathewson, the New York Giants' piter, with Mrs. Mathewson, returned on the steamship Havana yesterday from Cuba, where the New York club has been playing. He spoke enthusiastically of the game in Cuba and said that the interest was intense and the attendance large.

Mathewson is making every effort possible to prevent any legal action so that he may be at the ringside when Zbysko and Racevich come together, and if he is the match between the winner and the champion will be made on the following morning, the day after Christmas.

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REPORTS

BOXING COMMISSION SHOULD PROBE THIS

Although the State Boxing Commission is not much in the limelight nowadays, it has its own troubles with the swarm of small clubs that adopt all manner of schemes to reduce the percentage of profits due to the State, and in some instances to the boxers who provide the entertainment. Making a liberal allowance for press and guest tickets is one of the means adopted, and a case in point that seems to be worthy of investigation by the commission occurred on Monday night.

The information was provided by John Dundee, who was one of the principals in the main bout at the Fordon A. C.

According to Dundee, when the receipts were counted allowance was made for eighteen press tickets and twelve guest tickets. This is not an unusual estimate, but the fighter avers in spite of the fact that press tickets were deducted from the fighters' share of the money none was given to the local papers. Dundee complains that the amount of \$77.25 was held out by this method and if this is true the State is also deprived of its proper percentage of receipts. It appears to be up to the Boxing Commission to demand an explanation from the Fordon A. C. of the circumstances.

GIANTS WIND UP CUBAN CAMPAIGN

After a stormy but successful series of games the Giants wound up the winter campaign in Cuba. Mathewson and the members of the team are packing their grips so as to spend Christmas in the United States and take a short rest before reporting at Marlin for spring training. Six visitors in succession from the Cubans gained the respect of the inhabitants for the visitors, which was further enhanced by the defeat handed out to Mendes, the Almendares' pitcher, who is regarded as a phenomenon.

Mendes, it is true, was unfortunate in having to contend against Mathewson on one of his best days. The Cubans believed Mendes' unbeatable and many wagers were made on the result of the game. As it turned out the home team never had a chance to win. Mathewson was in superb form and only one hit was made off the peerless New Yorker, while he struck out eleven men. Except for a little wildness in the first inning, the Cuban also pitched a good game, but the lightning enabled the Giants to make three runs in the initial innings and another in the seventh made the total 4 to 0 in favor of New York.

WELLS KNOCKS OUT NEW "WHITE HOPE"

LONDON, Dec. 18.—Bombardier Wells, at the National Sporting Club, to-night knocked out Starbuck, who has been regarded in some quarters, as a new white hope. The end came in the eleventh round of the fight. "Kid McCoy, who was expected to challenge the winner, failed to do so because the officials of the club refused to permit of any challenge. They are doing all within their power to prevent any legal action so that this end even refused to heed offers from the biograph people for pictures of to-night's fight. When the battle opened there were many Scotland Yard inspectors among the spectators.

It is understood that McCoy is trying privately, to arrange with Wells for a fight in Paris.

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BOSSSES MAKE GIFTS WHILE PRICES SOAR

Tell the Boys They Can't Have Cake and Eat It, Too.

Yesterday the Wall Street magnates began the annual bonus distribution to their clerks to enable them to meet Christmas expenses...

Other concerns gave a flat sum to every servant. The Central Trust Company is to distribute \$50,000, and the Chase National Bank will give to every one...

It seems that some of the wisest ones have been going over Christmas prices, and they find them far from satisfactory.

These facts have not been ignored by the receivers of the Wall Street magnates, splendid largesses...

However, the boss treats the matter very lightly, declaring to these disgruntled ones that they cannot have the cake and eat it, too.

The Magnate Explains. "The fact is, you know, boys," said one of the genial gentlemen to his obedient plebeians...

"Did you notice my friend, John Jacob Astor, is giving his wife a pearl necklace worth \$200,000. And there's that cheap cake, Frank Gould, giving his wife one worth half a million...

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Dr. Ludwig Wuellner, the German lieder soloist, whose peculiarly individual interpretations of the Teutonic song writers were a distinctive live feature of previous musical seasons...

In Europe Dr. Wuellner has achieved fame as an actor, and it is in those lyrics which recitation in the most subtle play of dramatic expression that he is most convincing...

VERDI'S "MANZONI REQUIEM" ENGAGES COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY CHORUS. LED BY WALTER HENRY HALL...

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THESE MARRIAGES ARE CERTAINLY PROFITABLE. A bridegroom, very nervous, and a bride, very diffident, have been getting married frequently of late in various parts of the city...

UP TO DATE CLOTHIER. B. PFEFFERKORN. H. YAUERBAUM'S. Knickerbocker Guarantee Leather Goods Store.

JOKE IS ON GREAT NECK. The joke is on the people of Great Neck, L. I. who asked the War Department to prevent the ruin of their homes...

McCann's Hats. LEGAL NOTICE. SUPREME COURT COUNTY OF NEW YORK. FRANK E. LINCK, Plaintiff, against JAMES H. HAVENS and others, Defendants.

Call Advertisers' Directory. MACFADDEN'S Physical Culture Restaurants. MANHATTAN. MASSACHUSETTS.

THE IRISH PLAYERS IN "HARVEST," AT MAXINE ELLIOTT'S THEATER, PRESENT A FORCEFUL PLAY DEALING WITH THE RESULTS OF AN ALIEN AND SUPERFICIAL EDUCATION UPON THE PEASANTRY...

By William Malloy. "Harvest," presented by the Irish Players on Monday night last, is an almost savage attack upon the kind of education that has made Ireland a fit prey for England's domination...

Jack is horrified. He begs Mary not to go back to London. She refuses. Then he begs Mildred, his wife, to help him save Mary by inviting her to return to their house in Dublin...

The author, Mr. Lennox Robinson, has presented his arguments in the form of satire, an ironic and bitter satire that would provoke more laughter were it not for the tragedy that lurks behind it.

For 300 years the Hurley family had tilled the soil, and the blood of the peasant was ineradicably in their veins. They had prospered, so far as humble farmers in Ireland can prosper...

Of the five who left home, one became a solicitor, another a priest, another the secretary of a great man in London, another a chemist in Dublin, and the other, Mary, started out as a ladies' maid.

It is Maurice who tells Jack that he can have the money for the farm in mortgage up to the hilt. It had to be got money to educate Jack and to get married. Maurice resents Lorgan and blames him for causing the family misfortunes.

Three weeks later things are in worse shape than ever. Jack has broken down at the farm work; his life in the city had softened and enervated him. Mildred has lost her enthusiasm also, for farm life has not turned out as she thought it would be.

Mary Hurley, the daughter, has also returned home after six years' absence. She has no money, but she dresses fairly well, and there is little information forthcoming as to the fame regarding her life in London.

MME. SIMONE'S NEW PLAY. Arrangements have been made whereby Mme. Simone will appear at the Hudson Theater on Tuesday, January 9, in Maurice Donnay's four-act play, "Modern Life," "The Return From Jerusalem," which had 450 per-

NORTHWEST SCENE OF FREE SPEECH BATTLE

I. W. W. Men Wage War on Tyrannical Authorities of Aberdeen, Wash.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—That the battle for free speech in the Northwest has still to be fought and won by the working class is evident from the following statement issued today by Vincent St. John, general secretary-treasurer of the I. W. W.:

The city authorities of Aberdeen, Wash., at the behest of the lumber companies of the Grays Harbor district, have decreed that the I. W. W. shall not be allowed to exist in that section.

All last summer attempts were made to interfere with the work of agitation and organization. These efforts finally culminated in the passage of an ordinance regulating street speaking—to where it would do no harm—the outskirts of the town.

The ordinance was not enforced against the Salvation Army or any of the different brands of street fakery that used the streets of Aberdeen. The ordinance only aimed to stop the work of education and organization among the slaves.

The members of Local 354 have chosen to fight and fight until they have educated the City of Aberdeen into a thorough understanding that they will have to keep their hands off the local and allow the work of organization and education to proceed.

The city has sworn in 500 special police. It has deported all the members of the local out of Aberdeen, closed the hall of the local and refused the organization the right to hold any meetings.

Local 354 intends to fight this fight out. They intend to win the fight, and they can win it if the membership will respond.

It is going to take men and money to win the fight. The money is needed for expenses necessary to get men into the town. Men are needed. Men who will stick in spite of any actions on the part of the thugs in the employ of the city.

Confessing that he had set fire to five houses within the past two weeks, Eugene Brandt, a tailor, of 83 Norfolk street, Manhattan, with Morris Greenspan, of 158 East 144th street, Bronx, and Benjamin Bronstein, of 124 East 3d street, members of an alleged arson gang, were arraigned before Magistrate McGuire in the New Jersey Avenue Police Court, Williamsburg, yesterday.

Fire Marshal Brophy, who arrested them, as Greenspan and Brandt were preparing to set fire to 735 Cleveland street, Brooklyn, said that Brandt was ready to plead guilty and confess his share in the workings of the gang. Greenspan and Bronstein pleaded not guilty.

Brandt confessed to Fire Marshal Brophy, it was alleged, that during the two weeks he had been a member of the gang he had fired five houses. One of the fires was at 83 Norfolk street.

JAIL FOR N. J. FIREBROS. HACKENSACK, N. J., Dec. 19.—August Deichman, of Cliffside, who confessed to two charges of arson, was today sentenced to not less than four years nor more than fifteen on each charge, the terms not to run together. Charles Deichman, who was yesterday convicted as an accessory, was given not less than seven and one-half years nor more than fifteen years. The latter may appeal.

IMPORTER KILLS HIMSELF. Nathan F. Strauss, a member of the firm of Kaufmann Brothers and Bondy, manufacturer and importer of smokers' articles at 129 Grand street, shot and killed himself yesterday morning in his bedroom in his apartment on the twelfth floor of the Hotel St. Hubert, at 150 West 57th street. Long continued neuroticism is given as the probable cause. Mr. Strauss was 54 years old and was unmarried.

performances when first produced in Paris. Mme. Simone will play the part originally created in Paris by a woman representative of the Jewish intellectual. She makes the acquaintance of a young French writer who in his book has championed the Jewish point of view. The story is Jewish still in the atmosphere of a conventional marriage and mutual interest springs up. Liebier & Co. will produce the play.

BROWNSVILLE. 170 PETER AVENUE. TONIGHT—B. FEIGENBAUM. Will Lecture on "How the Jewish Party Views the McNamee Case." Discussion Follows.

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MEETING OF CONFERENCE
McNamara Defense Body
Auditing Committee Makes Report.

The fourteenth regular meeting of the McNamara Defense Conference was held at the headquarters of the Socialist party, 957 Wilton avenue, with Delegate H. S....

WOMAN TERRIBLY BURNED.
While Sadie Glad, 44, was working in the kitchen of her residence at 116 Orchard street yesterday, her dress caught fire and she was badly burned about the body.

TRAIN SMASH KILLS TWO.
ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19.—A fast Memphis train of the Frisco Line went into a ditch near Mountain Grove, Mo., at 2:30 o'clock this morning.

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PENNSY SETTling CLAIMS OF VICTIMS
Relatives of Teachers Slain in Martin's Creek Wreck May Have to Fight for Money, However.

NEW BUILDING IS NEEDED.
Harry E. Lewis, president of the Hebrew Educational Society, recently addressed a mass meeting of the senior and junior clubs of the society on the subject of a new building.

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MEETINGS TODAY
MANHATTAN AND BRONX.
Business Meetings.

City Executive Committee—239 East 84th street.
Branch 5 Committee—360 West 125th street.

General Council, Y. P. S. F.—Headquarters Branch 3, 61 St. Marks place.
Rand School Notes.

At the last meeting of Circle 5 of the Y. P. S. F., held on Sunday afternoon at 61 St. Marks place, the following comrades were elected as the new officers of the circle.

West Harlem Sunday School.
All children of the West Harlem Sunday School will assemble at the Harlem Forum, 360 West 125th street, Sunday, December 24, 2:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN.
Business Meetings.
4th A. D.—386 Marcy avenue. Mrs. Bertha M. Fraser will lecture on "The Labor Resources."

Brownsville, Attention!
Tonight a lecture will be given by R. Feigenbaum at Socialist headquarters, 1701 Pitkin avenue.

NO CEREMONIES AT SCHENECTADY JAN. 1
(Special to The Call.)
SCHENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Local Schenectady of the Socialist party has decided not to have any inaugural ceremonies to usher in the new Socialist administration on January 1.

INTERBOROUGH COINS MONEY.
The Interborough Rapid Transit Company yesterday issued a statement showing that on Monday the line carried the record breaking number of passengers of 1,194,794, which exceeds by several thousands the greatest number carried during any day of the Hudson-Fulton celebration two years ago.

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avenue and Watkins street, Brooklyn. The lectures will be given Friday evenings at 8:30 sharp.

QUEENS.
Branch Ridgewood No. 1 will hold a regular business meeting to-night at their clubhouse, Queens County Labor Lyceum, 1847 Hancock street.

NEW JERSEY.
Elizabeth.
An adjourned general meeting of the Socialist party of Union County will be held tonight at party headquarters.

WASHINGTON.
Returns throughout Washington from the election of December 12 show big gains by the Socialists.

FARMERS FOR SOCIALISM.
Farm and Home, the agricultural paper of Springfield, Mass., has just completed a postal card canvass of 4,000 farmers and householders living in every section of the country.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Dr. Ernst Richard, lecturer on the History of German Civilization, will lecture on "Political Parties in Germany."

SHOE FITTERS STILL OUT IN BROOKLYN
The shoe fitters who are out on strike against H. Grossman of the Kaib avenue and Steuben street, Brooklyn, scored a point in their fight yesterday when they succeeded in getting three of the most skilled sears to quit work and join their ranks.

P. S. C. TO ADVERTISE FOR SUBWAY SECTION 3
The Public Service Commission yesterday voted 4 to 1 to advertise Thursday for bids for the construction of section 3 of the Broadway extension subway route.

Thomas G. Hunt
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NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS
Secretary Work Reports 300 Locals Have Accepted Lyceum Bureau Plan.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—To perfect the plans of the National Socialist Lyceum Bureau and to further Socialist propaganda in this country the National Executive Committee of the Socialist party met in the city Saturday and Sunday and transacted business of vital importance to the 100,000 dues-paying members it represents.

Acting National Secretary Work reported that 300 locals have accepted the Lyceum Bureau proposition and that that number may be doubled within three months.

A committee of seven to prepare a campaign book for 1912, to be ready for the coming National convention, was elected by the N. E. C. The members elected to this committee are Morris Hillquit, chairman; W. J. Ghent, Seymour Stedman, John Spargo, A. M. Simons, Caroline A. Lowe and George H. Gobel.

Given Separate Charter.
The Socialist party of District of Columbia, having now over 300 members, was given a separate charter. Heretofore it was affiliated with the Maryland organization.

At Congressman Berger's suggestion a committee of three, consisting of Hillquit, Spargo and Carey, was elected to whom drafts of all bills would be presented before introduction in Congress.

BERGER WAS ELECTED AS A subcommittee of one to investigate the question of securing second class postage rates for the National Monthly Bulletin.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE and entertainment for the children of the Hospital for the Ruptured and Crippled, 132 street and Lexington avenue, will be held Friday afternoon at 4:15 o'clock.

THE SECOND ANNUAL AFTERNOON dance of the Armadae Social Club will be held at Hennington Hall, 3d street and Avenue B, on Sunday afternoon, December 24.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 19.—Wm. Miller, charged with wrecking the New National Bank of which he was President, must serve six years in the Atlanta Federal prison, as the United States Court of Appeals today affirmed the sentence for misappropriation of the bank's funds, amounting to \$140,000.

Classified Advertisements
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Workmen's Circle Directory
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Today the Young Socialist Magazine for January makes its appearance. In size, articles and illustrations it shows its holiday character.

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THE SEASON'S BEST BOOKS FOR BOYS

If it happens you have not done your Christmas shopping early and are confronted with the problem of buying a gift for a boy...

brarians awaken to the fact that another "best reader" is on the shelves. That is what has happened in the case of "Track's End."

You will find it at all stores. It is published by Harper & Bros. and costs only \$1.00.

There are many boys' books published in this country that are of real merit. They preserve, usually, a true picture of some phase of our social life, and they picture conditions that have passed or are passing away.

William Dean Howells did the same thing in the "Flight of Pony Baker," for an Ohio town of about the same time.

The boy who gets a copy of it among his Christmas presents will be supremely happy. The boy who does not get a copy of it has the chance for equal happiness, for he can demand it at the public library.

A copy that was used for Friday afternoon reading in a school created intense excitement, and the class from 2 to 3 on that afternoon, had open to them the opportunity of the greatest delight.

Tolstoy and the Russian Censor

FROM VORWAERTS.

After Tolstoy's death, the journals of Russia published interesting articles in regard to the activities of the Russian censor against the spiritual giant feared and hated by the government.

In 1800 it was "proposed" to Russian magazines and newspapers that they omit even a discussion in regard to Tolstoy's "Kreutzer Sonata." Some years later followed the prohibition against reproducing a letter of Tolstoy's to the Daily Telegraph.

Then, when in 1808 Tolstoy's seventieth birthday was approaching, the strict com-

mand was issued to all the press that no article or other communication in regard to the approaching jubilee of the writer should appear.

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The censor finally carried his animosity against Tolstoy so far as to issue a circular containing the following: "In view of the possibility of 'contaminating' the youth of the future, the Minister of the Interior believes that subsequent to this event, paragraphs may appear describing his life and activities.

Later, the activity of the censor through circulars came to a pause, but even recently the government has continued its attempts to kill Tolstoy's ghost by force.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE MATTER OF FUSION.

Editor of The Call:

In this morning's Call a letter is reprinted from the Post in which assertions of Socialist fusion are made.

The charge of fusion with the Democrats is that city ridiculous, for the only real fight there was between the Democrats and the Socialists.

In the case of the Solicitorship only a member of the bar is eligible, and there are no attorneys in the Ashtabula local. But according to the Ohio law the Socialist candidates had to be nominated in open primaries, and even if the Socialist rank non-members declaring themselves Socialists could have a legal nomination.

I suppose our impossible Comrades will insist that the Ashtabula local should have openly repudiated this liberal Democracy and by scratching his name on the official ballot forced the election of a reactionary Republican, thereby incurring charges on the part of the Democrats of an alliance with the Republicans.

The Ashtabula Comrades were confronted with a condition and not a theory, and in meeting it they dared to use a little native common sense.

If any critic wishes testimony as to the absolute independence, class consciousness and freedom from entangling alliances on the part of the Ashtabula Socialists I would respectfully refer him to any capitalist politician in that city.

BOUDIN'S REPLY TO FEIGENBAUM.

Everybody is confused but Feigenbaum! That will be interesting news to those who know Feigenbaum.

Bohn and Haywood have written a booklet on "Industrial Socialism." In that booklet, under the heading "economic determinism," they state a certain theoretical position, namely, that those who hold that theory lose all respect for capitalist property laws.

Remember: Not a word here concerning the use of violence or "law-breaking" at the present time, or, indeed, at any other time when it does not appear to be leading to success.

Thereupon Comrade Hillquit wrote a letter to The Call branding the Bohn-Haywood position as contained in that statement as "anarchistic doctrine," declared that their theory was not even "a remote cousin" to "economic determinism," and accused "them" of "contrary to violence," "sabotage," etc.

He thus took issue squarely on all three assertions made by Bohn and Haywood: (1) Breaking of capitalist property laws is "ethically unjustifiable," that is to say, they are morally binding on us, and must therefore be "respected" as long as they remain the statute book.

In order to clinch the issues raised as to theoretical basis of our tactics in this respect I carefully refrained, in my first letter to The Call, from entering on any side issues except only to call attention to the fact that the theoretical position of Bohn and Haywood, as quoted by Hillquit, has absolutely nothing to do with "preach-

On Those Who Dislike "The Playboy" By W. B. YEATS.

Once when midnight smote the air, Eunuchs ran through Hell, and met Round about Hell's gate to stare At great Juan riding by; And like these to rail and sweat, Maddened by that sinewy thigh.

ing violence," or "sabotage." One may be opposed to these for reasons of expediency, and yet be in accord with the Bohn-Haywood theoretical position.

The issue thus raised seems to be clear enough: Either Marx and the Marxists who have left the international Socialist movement have stood, and now stand, for the "ethically unjustifiable" doctrine, or they do not.

Comrade Feigenbaum has evidently some moral compunction about making such an evidently false assertion, and he therefore admits that that passage, as it stands, is unobjectionable.

But Comrade Feigenbaum cannot stick to the point. And I don't blame him for it: It is an awful point for a Socialist to have to stick to!

Now, what's the point? Bohn and Haywood have written a booklet on "Industrial Socialism."

A REPLY FROM JOSEPH ETTOR. Editor of The Call: I note the statement of Mr. Julius Gerber about my article in II Proletarian, and the remarks he makes together with your impartial (?) headlines to start it with.

ON SEA AS ON LAND Continued from columns 1 and 2, this page.

two great companies, the Hamburg-American and North German Lloyd, the former possessing close on a million tons of vessels and the latter some 800,000.

It is an interesting speculation, too, as to what will happen when the "dissolution" of these combines is ordered. What government will presume to undertake it?

The German Government is itself responsible to a large extent for the enormous size of the two great companies which represent the predominant part of German overseas shipping.

It is worth while noting, too, that while the fact remains that the sea is free to all and cannot be monopolized, none the less, the individual ship owner cannot survive, though he enjoys "free competition" to an extent which the small capitalist ashore was never permitted.

On the sea as on land, with competition "free" or "unfair," with a protective tariff or with free trade, under any and all forms of national government, the march of modern industry leads inevitably to the trust and the passing of the competitive

tion, in so far as it may refer to the actions of the Socialist party in New York, relative to Haywood, have translated by a translator that is neither political grudge nor satisfied an A. F. of L. organizer's job to protect and then furnish the same publication to The Call, and we see if what Mr. Gerber quotes may be writing is correct or not.

As for matters relating to fusion, there is nothing in my article that any way put any one in a bad position for the collection. I admit to having made the statement that 25 cents was charged for admission. That was information last Tuesday (Nov. 14) night, when I wrote the article.

As for the character of the speech and the speaker at the meeting in question, I will say that the Call of last Tuesday (Nov. 14) was the main power what I said, but what Mr. Gerber claims I said, I don't consider.

"WRITING ON THE LAW." Editor of The Call: In a recent issue of The Call Comrade Moses Oppenheimer complains cause the German Socialists, the exemption laws, carried on the agenda in spite of the law, we become lawless in this country.

Her locks were in wild disorder. Her face was flushed, and her eyes flashing. She clung and she clung her fingers in an agony of despair.

"Cruel one—oh, cruel one!" she cried, in anguished tones. "I have borne with you too long! You have injured me! You have tortured me, and yet I could not bear to give you up!"

"When first we met, how your eyes and polish attracted me!" she continued. "When you became my own, how my friends envied me! My own understanding is too small for my large soul! You have ruined my standing in society! If we had not met I might have walked in peace, now begone! We part forever!"

"How's your wife?" "She's having constant trouble with her head."

ON SEA AS ON LAND

While the trusts have been "dissolving" on shore, transportation on the sea has been steadily approaching trustification.

Now, however, there are many indications that the period for actual trustification has arrived in the sea transportation industry.

The greatest merger, however, is the one by which the combined Royal Mail and Elder-Dempster Lines have secured the Union-Castle Line—itsself a recent combination of two great steam fleets—and a controlling interest in the Lamport & Holt Line.

German competition is given as the principal cause of the merger of these British steam fleets. It is not generally known that fully half of all the German steam tonnage afloat is concentrated in the

DIVIDENDS

Dividends! Dividends! that's the tune we're singing to. Eighteen hundred feet from grass, and a foot from Hell!

Dividends! Dividends! every rock-drill strikes it. In the eerie, choking pit, where the smoke fumes cling; Every echo mumbles it, every candle gutters it;

Dividends for Capital. For Capital, the King! Dividends! Dividends! that's the tune we're driving to.

Dividends! Dividends! that's the tune we're stopping to. Hanging-wall a patent trap set for fools like we—

Dividends! Dividends! that's the dirge they're dying to. Gasping out life's broken span in a nightmare slow—

Dividends! Dividends! that's the tune they're singing to. Fat directors, mining sharks, and all the pimps in town;

Day and night and night an day, We'll be bound on others' heels; While a sullen crowd, foot up—up from lips of agony—

These the maddened of the gods would flout Orion's bars! These would vex the holy ears that hear the chant of Pleiades.

With dabbling in continents and demagogues, in our stuns; Deal and blind and dumb; they crawl down the road of entropy.

Dividends of fear and hate, each shall have his fill of them. No liability! —Marie E. J. Pitt, in Barrier Daily Truth.

CONSOLING. Miss Flane: "Didn't you hear Miss Knox tell me yesterday that I was 'the plainest girl in the town?'"

"No, I didn't." "Well, I told her she ought to consider how sensitive you must be about it."