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Editorial,

Local News.

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Week's News Condensed

Carefully Reviewed and Explained

LEGAL-CRIMINAL

Thrice Sentenced For Murder.

Lawyer Albert T. Patrick, who for two years has been confined in the death house at Sing Sing awaiting his fate in the electric chair for the murder of William M. Rice, his wealthy and eccentric client, was brought before the New York city supreme court to be resented, the court of appeals having decided against his various motions for delay and retrial. Although represented by counsel, Mr. Patrick insisted on addressing the court in his own behalf, saying that he had new and absolute proof that the evidence against him was false and manufactured. His execution was fixed for the week of Jan. 22.

Mrs. Rogers Executed.

Mrs. Mary Rogers was put to death by hanging in the Vermont state's prison, Windsor, Dec. 8, after extraordinary efforts of attorneys and sympathizers to obtain a reprieve had failed to move Governor Bell. The governor declared that public sentiment in Vermont was against interference with the course of the law. Petitions signed by thousands of citizens of Ohio and other states were of no avail. Mrs. Rogers killed her husband Aug. 12, 1902, in order to obtain \$600 life insurance and to marry another man, using chloroform to accomplish her purpose.

Court Appealing Now Dangerous.

The United States supreme court has handed down a decision which practically overturns the criminal practice of the federal courts for generations—namely, that when an appeal is taken by the convicted party the appellate courts cannot modify the sentence of the former, but must either affirm it or reverse it. The court's decision holds that the appellant by prosecuting an appeal waives all rights against being placed twice in jeopardy for the same offense and that the entire case is subject to review. This will affect indirectly the criminal practice in the state courts as well, and the result is likely to be fewer appeals for purposes of delay. The case involved is that of three Filipinos who had been convicted of murder in the second degree by the lower court and of homicide by the Philippine supreme court.

Theater a Private Business.

The New York court of appeals decided in a test case to the effect that theater ticket speculators have no cause of action for damages through being prevented from selling tickets in front of theaters. The court regards the theater as a private business.

Horrors of the Oyster Fleet.

The worst stories of crime and cruel slavery on board the Chesapeake bay oyster boats have been confirmed by the cruise of the revenue cutter Windom by order of the president. More than 100 boats were boarded, and in nearly every case it was found that the crews had been shanghaied or deceived into going on board. The articles of agreement which they had signed stipulated the payment of blood money to the crimpers, or agents, who rounded up the victims from among the unemployed of Philadelphia, Baltimore and other eastern cities. The bugeye Sadie K. Gibson, on which McCabe and Clarke were shanghaied, later to be found dead on Devils Island, was overhauled and her captain, Wheatley, placed under surveillance. Captain Muir of the bugeye John B. Robbins was arrested on the charge of beating George Smith, a Philadelphia boy. Another cruise of the revenue cutter is under way.

The Town Topics Boomerang.

The libel charge brought by Editor Mann of Town Topics against the editors and proprietors of Collier's Weekly at New York has proved a boomerang thus far in the hearing. The examination by counsel for Collier's has thrown a flood of light on the inside workings of the society paper in connection with the book publishing schemes known as "Fads and Fancies" and "America's Smart Set." Incidentally the connection of Justice Deuel with these shady enterprises has been brought into prominence. Letters signed by Mann and Deuel were put in evidence disclosing the methods of appealing to the vanity weakness of rich men who like to see their names and pictures in print. One letter from Justice Deuel to Mr. Wooster, the solicitor for "Fads and Fancies," on his way to Palm Beach, Fla., expressed the hope that the people at Palm Beach would be like "David Crockett's coon—all you need to do is to point your gun and every high toned desirable citizen at Palm Beach may tumble instantly into your basket."

Dr. McLeod Acquitted.

Dr. Percy D. McLeod was found not guilty of the charge of being an accessory after the fact to the crime by which Susanna Henry, the Boston

chorus girl, met her death, as the testimony of Hunt and Crawford, who pleaded guilty to being accessories, was discarded by the jury as unworthy. The latter two were sentenced to not less than six and not more than seven years in state's prison.

ART & LETTERS

Winner of Big Art Scholarship.

Paul Chaldin of New York is the artist to whom the Lazarus scholarship, consisting of \$3,000 a year for three years and traveling expenses to Europe, has been awarded. He is thirty-one years old and a student at the National Academy of Design.

Mark Twain's Birthday Party.

Samuel L. Clemens, the world famous American humorist, better known as Mark Twain, was seventy years old Dec. 5, and the occasion was celebrated by a banquet at Delmonico's, New York, with Editor George Harvey as the host and 170 friends and fellow craftsmen in literature as guests, including many prominent women writers.

A letter of appreciation from President Roosevelt was read, and W. D. Howells, the veteran novelist, proposed the health of Twain as a man "who first of all had the friendship of the whole world, and then, in a peculiar degree, the friendship of a few." He read a sonnet to the American joke in master mood, ending with "Mark Twain made me." In responding Mr. Clemens made a speech full of wit and pathos, ostensibly to teach others how to live to be seventy. He told facetiously of his humble birth, his early poverty, his passion for tobacco and the "irregular regularity of his habits." He said of late he had stopped frolicking with mince pie after midnight (he had always believed it wasn't loaded) and that he had made it a rule to never smoke more than one cigar at a time. His serious point was that "we can't reach old age by another man's road."

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FOREIGN

Bannerman Succeeds Balfour.

Premier Balfour of England's conservative and Liberal-Unionist ministry, which resigned Dec. 4, was succeeded by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the Liberal leader. It was understood that a broad and comprehensive measure of self government for Ireland would be the leading feature of the new ministry's programme. It is expected that the Liberal party will remain in office but a short time and that a dissolution of parliament and general election is likely to occur in January or February. Balfour had served as prime minister since July, 1902.

French Senate For Separation.

After an extended debate Dec. 6 the French senate adopted the bill for separation of church and state by voting 188 to 102, the result being announced amid cheers and loud cries of "Long live the republic!" and "Long live liberty!" The law became effective Dec. 7, on being promulgated. The details of administration are left to the council of state. One effect will be the immediate reduction in the government expenses, as the salaries paid the clergy are to be gradually diminished until they cease. This bill had passed the chamber of deputies July 3 by a vote of 341 to 233. It sweeps away the old system of state religion, dating from 1801, when the concordat was signed by Pius VII. and Napoleon, making the churches government property and the clergy salaried employees of the state.

Agreement With Turkey.

It was regarded as practically certain that the controversy between the powers and Turkey would be settled without further resort to force. The sultan had agreed to accept the modified proposals for the financial control of Macedonia.

SCIENTIFIC

The Northwest Passage Found.

A report reaching Seattle from Eagle City, Alaska, announced that Captain Roald Amundsen of Norway, on the steamship Gjoa, had succeeded in finding his way from the Atlantic to the western Arctic ocean after a voyage of thirty months and was wintering at King point, with all on board well. Captain Amundsen is said to have found the true magnetic pole on King William Island. The search for a northwest passage began in the latter part of the sixteenth century, but it was not until 1819 that William Perry navigated the passages between Greenland and the mainland reaching toward the arctic. It was in an attempt to follow his track that the expedition of Sir John Franklin was lost in 1845.

Lowell's Photographs of Mars.

Professor Percival Lowell has now told in an article for Popular Astronomy how at last he succeeded, after four years' effort, in getting photographic plates of the canals of the planet Mars. The two principal difficulties were the varying air waves and the insufficient speed of photographic plates. Professor Lowell therefore had a camera made on the pattern of a biocopic film, in which many successive pictures could be taken rapidly. He also used a diaphragm instead of the full objective, thus getting better definition. He says that these negatives thoroughly confirm the eye in showing not only the extent of the canals, but the fact that they are continuous lines and not the synthesis of other markings.

RELIGIOUS

Unitarians Make Answer.

The excluded Unitarian delegates to the recent interchurch conference on federation—namely, President Elliot of the Unitarian association, John D. Long and the Rev. Dr. Edward Everett Hale—in a letter to Boston churches protest against the action of the conference. They affirm that the doing of the will of the Master is the vital thing and that spiritual efficiency is the only test to Christian discipleship. They say they will wait until their brethren, in other denominations know them better, when Unitarians will be found ready to co-operate in "establishing the kingdom of God on the earth."

Telephones in the Pews.

The idea of utilizing telephones in church pews is not new, but its application has been rare. In the Munn Avenue Presbyterian church at East Orange, N. J., telephone receivers have been placed in the pews connected with a transmitter in the pulpit in line with the Rev. Dr. James Ludlow's voice waves.

SOCIOLOGICAL

Would Reward Immigrants.

Under the auspices of the National Civic federation a three days' conference on immigration was held at New York. Discussion ranged over the entire field from proposals to examine and select emigrants in their own homes to a more rigid exclusion policy. Those representing the industrial and agricultural interests of the south and west, where hardy settlers and laborers are much in demand, advocated the new policy of distributing immigrants through governmental agency. On the first day the delegates went to Ellis Island to witness the arrival of immigrants, and many of them passed through the wickets and past the medical examiners and inspectors just as if they were arriving aliens.

Samuel Gompers, speaking for labor, demanded more protection against cheap immigrants, but this idea was ridiculed by President Elliot, who said it was "not a generous talk." Andrew Carnegie went so far as to suggest that if he owned the country and was running it as a business he would give every man who earned his way to our ports a premium for getting here.

Second Child Labor Convention.

The national child labor committee held its second annual convention at Washington, opening with a statement by Secretary Lindsey on recent legislation in this country to restrict child labor. A preliminary session was held at Philadelphia, and still another session is to be held at Chicago Dec. 16.

For Old Age Pensions.

Vice President Vanderlip of the National City bank of New York makes an important contribution to the December North American Review regarding the industrial dependence of the average active workman. He notes that when this man is forced from his occupation by sickness, accident or old age his condition is far worse than in former years, when business and industry was carried on by

small units. Out of 2,000 American corporations queried to have adopted some plan for retiring old employees on part pay. Germany has gone farther in this direction, funds being formed from contributions by both unions and corporations and administered by joint committees of the employers and workmen. Mr. Vanderlip says that both sides are benefited by this policy, the radical socialists becoming conservatives and the employers acquiring a broader view. He makes it plain that those concerns which have adopted the old age pension scheme have not done so from sentimental consideration, but rather for the sake of economy and of efficiency, and he suggests that a thorough investigation of the whole subject by a private or public commission would yield valuable results.



Frank A. Vanderlip.

MISCELLANEOUS

Carnegie Against Corey.

In view of the admitted separation of President Corey of the United States Steel corporation from his wife and the fact that he had consented to her residence in Nevada for the purpose of securing a divorce, presumably in connection with his known attentions Mabelle Gilman, an actress, a movement was set on foot among the di-

rectors of the company to oust Corey and put in his place Thomas Morrison, a cousin of Andrew Carnegie, who came to this country in 1896 and has worked his way from the bottom of the steel trade. Mr. Carnegie did not conceal his preference for Morrison.

Accidents.

The coasting steamer Lunenburg was wrecked off the coast of Cape Breton, and eleven of the crew were drowned.

A section of the roof of the Charing Cross (London) station fell, carrying down forty workmen who were engaged in repairs. Two men were instantly killed and several fatally injured.

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—The DEMOCRAT \$1 for a year.

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