

## NEARING THE EVACUATION

### Last Joint Meeting of the Commissioners.

#### WILL BE HELD TODAY

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Havana, Dec. 22.—The last formal joint meeting of the United States and Spanish evacuation commissioners will be held tomorrow. If after that any new questions arise they will be settled by individual interviews or correspondence.

The United States commission will adopt a written resolution of thanks for the courtesies extended by the Spanish authorities at Havana and elsewhere in Cuba under trying conditions, and bear testimony to the excellent discipline and soldier-like conduct of the officers and men of the Spanish army.

Brigadier General Closs today delivered the memorandum agreement regarding the places where Spanish troops are to be stationed after Jan. 1. It will be discussed at tomorrow's meeting.

Surgeon Major Archibald has visited the Spanish hospital outside Havana, and tomorrow on behalf of Surgeon General Sternberg, will inspect the hospitals within the city limits. El Vedado, the suburb of Havana where it is situated the Hotel Trocha, which has been the headquarters of the United States military commission, will be evacuated tomorrow, when the seaward forts will be occupied by the United States troops. Guanabacoa will be formally occupied on Monday next. It is the custom of Havana folk to celebrate Christmas eve by street dancing and firing crackers. Tomorrow Captain General Castellanos will issue a panto forbidding the gathering of crowds, in order to avoid any possible disorder.

#### NEW RUBBER TRUST.

### A Combine That Is Expected to Control the Market.

New York, Dec. 22.—A new combination of some of the leading firms in the United States is now in process of formation and is expected to be completed in about a week. It will include nearly all the manufacturers of rubber goods other than boots and shoes and hard rubber. The Hartford Rubber company and the Morgan and Wright company, both manufacturers of bicycle tires, are among the firms forming the combination. It is understood the organization will have a capital of \$30,000,000; \$15,000,000 to be preferred stock and the other \$15,000,000 common shares. It is understood that Charles R. Flint, who brought about the organization of the United States Rubber company, has charge of the reorganization of the combine, and among the leading firms which will help make the combination are the following:

Boston Belting company, Boston; New York Belting and Packing company; B. F. Goodrich and Company, Akron, O.; Chicago Rubber company, Chicago; Cleveland Rubber company, Cleveland; Gutta Percha and Rubber company, New York Rubber company, New York; Stoughton Rubber company, Stoughton, Mass.; Hartford Rubber company, Hartford, Conn.; Morgan and Wright company, Chicago. The headquarters of the company will be in this city.

#### BRUTALLY MURDERED.

### Colored Man Mutilated in a Shocking Manner.

Pocomoke City, Md., Dec. 22.—John F. Turner, a highly respected colored man of this place, was taken from his home early this morning by two unknown men and brutally murdered. The affair has caused intense excitement among both white and colored, and should the murderers be caught, fears of lynching are entertained. A posse is out hunting the fugitives.

The body was found at Cross Roads, about five miles from this place. It was lying in the road, face downward, and was horribly mutilated, the throat being cut from ear to ear and his head mangled almost beyond recognition. The brains were lying beside the head. From the position of the body it is thought that the murdered man was clubbed into insensibility and then his throat cut.

There is no clue as to who the murderers are, but jealousy is supposed to be the motive for the crime, as Turner and his wife have been living together unhappily for some time.

#### Fell Through the Ice.

Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Martin Schmelter and Michael Golinak, aged 12 and 6 years, respectively, were drowned yesterday while taking a short cut on the ice across the Oswego canal in this city. The bodies were recovered today.

#### Death of a Football Player.

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 22.—Percy M. Jeffrey, center back of the Harvard university foot ball team, died today from spinal meningitis. Jeffrey was 21 years of age and his home was at Irvington-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

## BURGLAR'S STRANGE FATE

### He Had Plundered.

Quincy, Mass., Dec. 22.—The most peculiar shooting affair which has ever been brought to the attention of the police at the center home of John Shaw, in this city, when a robber, who had plundered the house, lost his life. The whole affair is very mysterious, as the occupants of Mr. Shaw's house declare that they heard no shot fired and did not know that their home had been entered until the body of the man was found by a servant, who was the first in the house to arise this morning, and who stumbled over the form. The body was directly in front of the bay window, which was open. The police were called. An officer found that the burglar's coat, hat and shoes had been left on the piazza just outside the window. The man wore a new suit, in the pockets of which a gold watch, diamond pin and two pairs of eyeglasses belonging to Mr. Shaw's family were found. Besides these articles, a jackknife, a ticket from Waltham to Boston and a piece of paper marked "James Emerson, Green street, Jamaica Plains," were found. The man was probably 35 years of age. When the body was shot by a bullet which caused his death entered three and one-half inches above the right nipple and took an upward course.

The police are greatly puzzled over the affair. They are working on the theory that the robbery was done by a "pal," who was watching outside, and who may have mistaken the robber for the owner of the house just as his companion came toward the window. Neighbors living near by and night workers in a bakery in the vicinity of the house say they saw a man shoot about 2 o'clock this morning. The members of the Shaw household, however, heard no such sound.

Boston, Dec. 22.—James Emerson, whose home address, Jamaica Plains, was found on the body of the man shot in Quincy, is a clerk employed in the office of the Cunard steamship company. Mr. Emerson professes utter ignorance as to the identity of the man and is at a loss to know how he came to have the address, unless he had picked it out as a good field for his operations.

#### REAR ADMIRAL SCHLEY RECEIVES HIS SWORD

Col. A. K. McClure Presides at the Ceremonies of Presentation—Miss MacNeill's Part.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—Rear Admiral Schley was tonight the recipient of a handsome and costly sword, scabbard and belt, presented to him in behalf of the people of this city and other cities in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, who contributed to a fund established for the purpose. The ceremony took place in the Temple Baptist church and Colonel A. K. McClure presided. The formal presentation was made by Miss MacNeill, the 15-year-old sister of Private Harry MacNeill, of the marine corps, who distinguished himself during the battle of Santiago by clambering out on the muzzle of one of the cruiser Brooklyn's big guns during a heavy fire and removing a four-inch shell which had become fastened in the breach.

There was a large and enthusiastic audience present and speeches were made by Governor Hastings and Mayor Warwick on behalf of the state and city. Governor-elect Stone also spoke in high terms of Admiral Schley and his achievements.

The admiral in accepting the gift thanked the people and said: "Let me hope with you that in God's providence it may never be drawn without reason, but if it ever should be so willed that it must be it will never be sheathed except in your greater honor."

The sword, scabbard and belt represent a cost of \$4,300. The blade is of fine damascus steel, appropriately engraved, and the hilt is elaborately decorated with diamonds and other precious stones.

#### GRIP AT PHILADELPHIA.

### Twenty-Five Thousand Residents Are Afflicted.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—It is estimated that between 25,000 and 30,000 persons in this city are suffering from grip, and doctors report the epidemic on the increase. At the board of health today six deaths were reported to have occurred within the past twenty-four hours, directly due to grip, and twelve other deaths were traced indirectly to the disease. At the hospitals have an unusually large number of grip patients, and in several instances the sufferers have lost their reason and had to be strapped to their beds. Of 140,000 school children nearly 10,000 are sick at home. At the city morgue a barefaced epidemic of grip there were so many absences from grip.

Reports received from eastern Pennsylvania and south New Jersey point to an epidemic of the disease in those sections.

#### RAISED THE FLAG TOO SOON.

### Major Russell Reprimanded for Flying the Colors Against Orders.

Havana, Dec. 22.—Major Russell Harrison, the provost marshal, who on Tuesday raised the stars and stripes over Fort Atares without orders and in contravention of the promise of the United States evacuation commission that no American flags should be raised in Havana or its suburbs until Jan. 1, was today formally reprimanded by Major General Lee and instructed to lower the flag. Lieutenant Lee reported that the flag had been lowered.

Nevertheless, at the hour of filing this dispatch, 4:30 p. m., it is still flying on a tall staff over the harbor fort, plainly visible from the harbor and city.

#### Death of Private Quill.

Washington, Dec. 22.—General Henry commanding at San Juan de Porto Rico, notified the war department today of the death of Private Joseph C. Quill, of the Eleventh Infantry, from a gunshot wound. He says it probably was a case of suicide.

## IMITATED LUETGERT.

### Michael Rollinger, of Chicago, Arrested for Wife Murder.

Chicago, Dec. 22.—The coroner's inquest was begun today in the case of Mrs. Michael Rollinger, wife, the victim of a crime which she is asserted to have committed by her husband. The accused man somewhat startled the police and spectators when confronted by Lena Hecker, the woman for whose sake the crime is alleged to have been committed by her husband, and then declaring that he did not know her and had never met her before. This action on the part of the accused man, coupled with his apparent utter indifference to his surroundings, led the police to believe that Rollinger is feigning insanity.

The Journal today points out twenty points of remarkable similarity between the Rollinger case and that of Adolph Luetgert, now serving a life sentence for wife murder. Love of a woman other than the wife is asserted to have been the leading cause of both alleged murders. Each of the murders, it is claimed, were by strangulation. Both men, one of whom was a sausage maker and a German, the other a butcher and an Austrian, quarreled continually with their wives, and both suffered business reverses prior to the alleged crimes. Luetgert and Rollinger were well acquainted with each other and lived in the same quarter of the city. In the Rollinger case, as in that of Luetgert, a wedding ring will play an important part in the establishment of the corpus delicti. Mrs. Rollinger's body has been exhumed and her wedding ring cut from her finger.

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#### CORDELIA BOTKIN'S LINE OF DEFENSE

### She Denies Everything of Consequence—The Testimony of Expert Somewhat Foggy.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—The defense of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin for the murder of Mrs. John P. Dunning opened today, but the progress made in the breaking down of the case of the prosecution was very slight. Dr. George M. Tyrell was the principal witness for the defense today. Dr. Tyrell, however, was so uncertain in his testimony and contradicted himself so often that he did the defense very little good. He testified that he visited Mrs. Botkin on Sunday afternoon, July 21, between the hours of 3 and 5 o'clock and treated her for headache. This is the time and date upon which Mrs. Henry and Dillingham have insisted that she had taken the candy when they sold Mrs. Botkin a box of chocolate bonbons. Dr. Tyrell for some reason made no entry on his visit book and rendered no bill for services to Mrs. Botkin. He could not specify the time of his visit, but he says that it was "between three and five in the afternoon."

When questioned regarding arsenical poisoning, the attorney for the prosecution made it clear that Dr. Tyrell knew little if anything of arsenic. Thomas J. Ford, of the San Francisco post office, testified that the package of candy was not packed according to the rules and that it was remarkable that the box should have reached Delaware in good order. He identified the postmarks of the anonymous letters as being those of the San Francisco post office and described the methods employed in the carrying of letter mails.

John P. Dunning was recalled, by permission, and asked if he had told Mrs. Botkin that his wife and daughter had taken up their residence in Del. Del. that he had mentioned the fact several times.

W. L. Roberts, of Humboldt county, a brother-in-law of the accused, stated that Mrs. Botkin had been in the vicinity of Eureka between the 26 of June until the end of the month. The prosecution admitted this evidence. It will be remembered that one of the anonymous letters was dated about the middle of June but the prosecution will prove that a mail bag was placed on the wharf at Eureka on steamer days and that letters dropped in it were not postmarked until the steamer reached this city. Dr. W. F. McNutt testified that the only reliable way to prove arsenical poisoning was by an autopsy.

John H. Washington, food manager of the City of Paris store, where the handkerchief sent Mrs. Dunning's little daughter was alleged to have been bought, testified as to the methods used in transferring purchases from one department to another and of the delivery of goods, but nothing of importance was brought out.

Mrs. Botkin was called to the stand at a late hour this afternoon. She told of her acquaintance with Dunning, denying many of his statements. She also denied much of the testimony of Mrs. Lizzie Lyman, a reporter, who testified to the hysterical condition of Mrs. Botkin when informed of Mrs. Dunning's death and of several incriminating admissions made by Mrs. Botkin in interviews with her. She denied ever having purchased candy of the City of Paris store, where a handkerchief at the City of Paris store. She will continue her testimony tomorrow.

#### HANSCOM'S SENTENCE

### The Naval Constructor, Who Was Too Easy, Suspended for 6 Months.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The secretary of the navy today made public the findings of the court martial in the case of Naval Constructor John P. Hanscom, in charge of the construction of the battleship Vermont. He was charged with various offenses in connection with the man employed at the navy yard there. The court martial acquitted the accused officer of three of the charges, namely preparing a fraudulent voucher, inefficiency and making false reports, but convicted him of violating lawful regulation in failing to report fraudulent entries in time books.

He was sentenced to suspension of duty for six months on writing orders pay. The secretary of the navy has not yet approved the sentence.

#### Secretary Long's Illness.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Secretary Long has recovered sufficiently from his cold to resume his duties at the navy department. Secretary Hay is still confined to his home by order of his physician.

#### More British Warships.

London, Dec. 22.—The British admiralty, it is reported, has just placed orders for four warships with ship builders on the Clyde.

## FIRST REPORT OF CUBAN CUSTOMS

### STATEMENT OF REVENUE OF NEW INSULAR POSSESSIONS.

The Collections Have Been Confined to the Eastern Province of the Island, of Which Santiago Is the Chief Port—Statements of Receipts from Customs Received Up to December 15, 1898.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The new bureau of the war department, the division of customs and insular affairs, today made its first public report on the revenues of the new insular possessions of the United States, including Cuba, which is being considered for the present as United States territory. The statement says that it should be borne in mind that the collection of customs, as far as Cuba is concerned, has been confined to the eastern province of that island, of which Santiago is the chief port. On and after Jan. 1, the revenues of the island of Cuba will be largely augmented by reason of the fact that all of the ports of the island will then be in full possession of the military forces of the United States.

So far as the Philippines are concerned only the chief port of those possessions, Manila, has been locally under the control of the United States forces since the capitulation of the Spaniards to General Merritt and Admiral Dewey.

The customs receipts at the port of Santiago de Cuba under the occupation of the United States forces up to Dec. 1, are:

July	6,389
August	94,550
September	44,187
October	26,665
November	66,617
Total	\$275,215

The gross total of receipts from customs received up to Dec. 15, 1898, from the military occupation of the island of Porto Rico by the United States forces is 767,278 pesos. The total receipts from all sources of taxes exclusive of custom is 91,802.20 pesos.

The gross sum total of taxes and customs received up to Nov. 30, 1898, at the port of Manila, since the military occupation of the port by the United States, is 1,577,978 pesos.

No statement has yet been given of expenditures in these territories. Cuba under military occupation, however, will not add anything to the revenue of the United States as under the laws of military occupation, the income of the island must be spent upon its own improvement and in internal administration.

#### OFFICERS OF HIRAM LODGE.

### Installed in Osterhout's Hall, North Scranton, Last Night.

At the regular meeting of Hiram lodge, No. 257, Free and Accepted Masons, held in Osterhout's hall last evening the following officers were installed: Worshipful master, D. M. Jones; senior warden, S. H. Swingle; junior warden, Joseph Fiddam; secretary, T. S. Morgan; treasurer, C. W. Ziegler; trustees, Irving Wint, Alex. Francois and ex-Judge W. J. Lewis; representative to grand lodge, W. W. Simpson.

The installing officers were: Frank Taylor, of Hiram lodge; John Bonner and Asa Scott, of Peckville lodge, and Jesse Craig, of Dunmore lodge. After the installation a sumptuous banquet was served. Covers were laid for sixty and Caterer Hanky served the banquet. Attorney Charles Dawson was toastmaster and T. S. Morgan, Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Bessey, Frank Taylor, John Bonner, Captain Mair and H. M. Morrison, of Salford, England, delivered addresses.

Among those present were: George Griffin, John B. Littlejohn, Burton Griffin, David U. Reese, Emylin Morris, Walter B. Christmas, David A. Davis, William L. Holbert, B. S. Robinson, Charles Ford, D. H. Jenkins, Charles W. Ziegler, Finley Ross, E. L. Taylor, John Bosson, Evan B. Morris, J. M. White, A. L. Francois, Edward Fidler, Thomas Green, Dr. Bessey, W. T. Hughes, E. Tilor, Randolph Crippen, Alexander Simpson and J. Gillespie, of Hiram lodge, and William S. Ward, Warren R. Foster, Fred J. Steinhilber, Henry W. Ziegler, Asa M. Scott, Charles W. Dawson, D. H. Christmas, R. S. Callender, F. L. Northup, E. J. Barthold, William J. Bonner, A. B. Lidstone, William Reed, Charles F. Jones, John Fiddam, A. Thomas, John Vinson and A. Smith; H. M. Morrison, of Salford, Eng., and James Bodey, of St. Andrews, Toronto.

#### NEW ORE POOL.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22.—A new ore pool is to be organized. It will be known as the Non-Bessemer Ore Producers' pool and will be organized on a basis similar to that of the Bessemer pool. A meeting was held here yesterday and it is said that the preliminary steps were taken toward the organization.

#### Her Body in the Canal.

Harrisburg, Dec. 22.—The body of Miss Mary McNair, who disappeared from her home in Middletown on Monday night, was found in the canal dock at Middletown. The coroner will investigate to see whether her death was by suicide, accident or foul play.

#### Will Succeed Calvin Brice.

New York, Dec. 22.—It is announced that George L. Bradley, the present vice president and general manager of the Lake Erie and Western railroad, will succeed to the presidency of that road made vacant by the recent death of Calvin S. Brice.

## THE NEWS THIS MORNING

### Weather Indications Today:

Fair; Colder; Northwesterly Winds.

- General—Cuba Will Soon Be Evacuated. Report of Cuban Customs. Opposition to the Hull Army Bill. Report of Special Commissioner Porter.
- General—In the Playhouses, Financial and Commercial.
- Local—Five Divorces Granted.
- Editorial. Comment of the Press.
- Local—Annual Dinner of the New England Society.
- Local—Services for Christmas Day. Meeting of Common Council.
- Common Council Handles the Bond Ordinance Toughly. Address by Mrs. Ballington Booth.
- Local—West Scranton and Suburban.
- News Round About Scranton.
- General—New England Dinner (Continued).

#### SERGEANT TAYLOR DEAD

### Was a Member of Company G, Thirteenth Regiment—Malarial Fever the Cause of Death.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Camp MacKenzie, Augusta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Another member of the Thirteenth has answered the final roll call. At 5:30 o'clock this evening Sergeant Lee A. Taylor, of Company G, passed away at the division hospital, typhoid fever being the immediate cause of his death. He was taken sick Dec. 7 and sent to regimental hospital. Two days later he was removed to the division hospital where he sank gradually till the end came this evening.

The deceased was the son of J. O. Taylor, of Lanesboro, and prior to his enlistment in the National guard three years ago, he had served a term in regular army as a member of Battery B, heavy artillery, stationed at Governors Island, N. Y., from which he was honorably discharged with the rank of first sergeant.

While in the service he contracted malaria, which never entirely left his system. Sergeant Taylor was 26 years old and one of the finest soldiers in the regiment. He was universally liked and his untimely death is lamented not only by the members of his company but by all his acquaintances. The remains will be sent home as soon as possible.

This is the fourth death in G company, two of which were sergeants. Colonel Courten informed The Tribune correspondent this evening that he had been requested to at once forward to corps headquarters a complete statement of the present strength of the Thirteenth with a view of having issued to each man a Krag-Jorgensen rifle. The local arsenal is now well stocked with magazine guns. It is not known if other regiments have received a similar lot yet, but it now looks as if some definite steps are contemplated.

Richard J. Bourke.

#### THE DIAMOND REEF.

### Battleships Can Not Enter New York Harbor at Low Tide.

Washington, Dec. 22.—The naval authorities have learned to their dismay that it is not possible for one of our big battleships like the Oregon or Massachusetts to get out of New York harbor during extra low water such as prevailed when the latter battleship struck on Diamond reef a short time ago. To aid the court of inquiry now in session at New York trying to ascertain the responsibility for the grounding the navy department called upon the coast survey for special measurements of the water in the harbor near Diamond reef and upon the rock itself.

The report of the superintendent of the survey has just been received and it shows in the opinion of the naval officers that it is not possible for a ship of the size of the Massachusetts and with her maneuvering qualities to get out of the harbor without touching the bottom when the tide is ebb and the wind strong. The ship must be hoisted on the reef and then cross over to the channel between Diamond reef and the New York shore. The turn is too short for the Massachusetts to make and the best water to be found in the best course she could pick on the day she touched was one foot and four inches less than the draft of the ship as she started, namely, 26 foot 2 inches. Of course these conditions are not normal in the harbor but they may occur on any low tide with the wind in a certain quarter so the matter will be brought at once to the attention of congress with a view to securing the removal of the upper part of Diamond reef.

#### CUBA WILL BE EASY.

### All Parties Prepared to Be Pleasured with American Government.

London, Dec. 22.—The Havana correspondent of the Times in the course of a letter published this morning says: "President McKinley will have an unfeigned hand here. A majority of the Cubans are prepared to accept unreservedly any regime treating them justly and ensuring the tranquillity of the island. "The Spanish residents also are contented to accept the inevitable, believing that their interests will be protected and themselves fairly treated. Therefore, the way is clear to establish any system of government the Washington authorities may see fit to impose."

#### WEATHER FORECAST.

- Washington, Dec. 22.—Forecast for Friday: Fair, clear, cold.
- Saturday: Fair, clear, cold; fresh to brisk.
- Sunday: Fair, clear, cold; fresh to brisk.
- Northwesterly winds.

## TO INCREASE THE ARMY

### House Substitute Proposed for the Hull Bill.

#### STANDING ARMY OF 30,000

Washington, Dec. 22.—The bill for the increase of the regular army which the minority of the house committee on military affairs will offer as a substitute for the Hull bill was drawn by Representative Hay, of Virginia, and is now in the hands of the war department, where an estimate is being made of the cost of such a military establishment as it provides. The bill, as drawn, provides for a standing army of 30,000 men; 12,000 artillery, 8,000 infantry, 6,000 cavalry and 4,000 engineer, ordnance and signal corps and general staff. To meet the existing exigency for troops in Porto Rico, Cuba, the Philippines, Hawaii and the Ladrones, the bill provides that the president may issue his proclamation for 50,000 additional volunteer troops to be enlisted for two years. These latter troops are to be commanded by officers appointed by the president. The organization is to be the same as in the regular army, the strength of the different arms of the service to be determined by the president. The present volunteers are to be mustered out within sixty days after the passage of the act, but volunteer organizations now in the service shall be given preference for enlistment in the new volunteer army if they so elect within fifteen days. The bill provides that no regular army officer who was in the army prior to the war with Spain shall be mustered out of the service.

#### HAY WILL FILE THE BILL.

Mr. Hay will file the bill and the minority report on the Hull bill tomorrow with the clerk of the house. The main contention of the report will make for the minority plan as against the Hull bill for a standing army of 100,000 men. It is that the future of the Philippines and Cuba is undetermined but that if the standing army is increased to 100,000 it will be almost impossible no matter what may happen in the future, to reduce it. The report will say that a standing army of 100,000 men will cost the people of the United States \$165,000,000. This added to the \$145,000,000 for pensions will bring the cost of the military establishment up to \$310,000,000, the largest charge in the world for a military establishment.

The naval establishment would bring the total up many millions more. Mr. Hay estimates that a standing army of 30,000 with 50,000 additional volunteers would cost \$100,000,000, but this charge might continue only for two years. The creation of a volunteer force for temporary purposes would always keep it within the power of congress to adjust the strength of that force to the existing condition.

#### STANDARD OIL CASE.

### Testimony of the Man Who Burned the Company's Books.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22.—The taking of depositions by Attorney General Monnet to attempt to prove that the Standard Oil company had destroyed a lot of its books and papers a few days before the Supreme court ordered the books to be produced as evidence in the investigation of the Standard Oil company, was resumed today.

John McSorley, who had been in the employ of the Standard company for over two years, said that on Saturday morning, Nov. 19, he was ordered to burn a lot of the Standard Oil company's books.

He burned them about 8 o'clock in the furnace of the car shops. About 10 o'clock Monday morning he saw a man named Norman burning boxes of book and six sacks of paper.

The regular Standard Oil inquiry before Special Master Commissioner Brinsmade was not taken up today, because Messrs. Rockefeller, Squire and Severance, who were wanted to testify, could not be found. Attorney General Monnet desired to proceed with the hearing and to subpoena bookkeepers and other employees of the Standard.

#### Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Dec. 22.—Salati: Edam, Amstordam; Germania, Liverpool, Queenstown; Britannia, from Liverpool, New York; German-Austral; Aqueduct, Victoria; New York Bremen—Arrived: Saarlo, New York; Rotterdam—Salati; Maerlam, New York.