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SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 17, 1901.

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THE PATERSON CASE DEFENCE

Alleged Murderers of Jennie Bosschler Take the Witness Stand and Deny Everything.

PLEA OF THE COUNSEL

Begins with an Attack Upon the Moral Character of the Dead Girl. The Prisoners Acting Under Generous Impulse in Taking the Girl Out in a Hack to Get Fresh Air. The Assault and Everything Else in the Way of Evidence Produced by the Prosecution is Denied—Explanation of the Meeting in the Saloon—Quartette of Humanitarians.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Paterson, N. J., Jan. 16.—Counsel for the defense in the Jennie Bosschler murder trial today practically closed their case. William A. Death, Walter L. McAllister and Andrew Campbell, the three men on trial for the murder, went upon the stand in their own behalf and told their versions of the events of the night Jennie Bosschler met her death while in their company. They told the same story, practically, and their testimony varied but little as to details. The plea set up by counsel for the three defendants was a general and specific denial of all the accusations made against the men. He opened with an attack on the moral character of the dead girls and claimed that the prisoners were in no way responsible for the death of Jennie Bosschler. He stated that she had been drugged and that she had been ill-treated and assaulted.

McAllister, Death and Campbell were each on the stand. Their testimony was on the line that they were acting on a generous impulse when they took the girl out of the saloon to the hack. They claimed that she was "jolly drunk" for a time in the back room of Saal's saloon, said she was joking and laughing after the first drink; that she became "dopey" after taking the absinthe and then became dead drunk. They had thought a drive in the hack would do her good and had taken her across the river out into the country. The assault was denied. They had lifted the girl out of the hack because she was sick and they had conducted themselves like humanitarians in their efforts to bring her back to her senses. They had taken her to the brook to obtain water. They would have taken her home after she was dead, but when they reached the neighborhood they saw persons about.

HUMANITARIANS FRIGHTENED.

They were frightened at "the dead girl" and did not want to get mixed up in the scandal. They maintained that they had no evil intentions against the girl. The meeting in the saloon was unintentional so far as McAllister was concerned and he had drawn his friend Kerr into the case unwittingly. Campbell became mixed up in it because Death did not want to be seen on the street with the girl, lest some one tell his wife. The hack, it would appear from the statement made by the prisoners, was not connected with the party at first, but for McAllister, Kerr and two young women whose names McAllister refused to divulge, on the ground that their names had not been mentioned before and he did not want to cause them annoyances. The stop intended at Leavenworth was made with the girl they had with them, but because, although she had had enough to drink, the men had further capacity.

THE SCORPION OFF FOR VENEZUELA.

Will Sail to Guano to Protect American Interests. Washington, Jan. 16.—At the request of the state department the navy department has instructed the commander of the Scorpion to proceed at once from La Guira to Guano, Venezuela, to protect American interests, upon reports that the revolutionary movement there is increasing and the attempt is being made to take possession of the arms of New York and Bermudez company.

Dead Body in a Trunk.

New York, Jan. 16.—A trunk was picked up on the H. East river, today in which was found the body of a man who had been dead for forty-eight hours. It was identified by a woman as that of Michael Weisberger, of this city, who had been the inmate of the...

UNITED STATES SENATORS.

The Elections and Ratifications of Yesterday. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Helena, Mont., Jan. 16.—W. A. Clark was today elected United States senator to succeed Senator Carter. Concord, N. H., Jan. 16.—Henry E. Burnham, Republican, of Manchester, was today declared elected United States senator by the presence of the senate and house.

Boston, Jan. 16.—The re-election of George F. Hoar, as senator from Massachusetts for the six years, beginning March 4, 1901, was formally verified and announced at a joint session of both branches of the general court today. Augusta, Me., Jan. 16.—The senate and house of Maine legislature met in joint convention at noon today and confirmed and announced the re-election of William P. Frye to the United States senate.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 16.—A joint session of the legislature was held at noon today to canvass the vote for United States senator, as cast yesterday. It appeared that Thomas M. Patterson had a majority in each house, and he was formally declared elected. Columbia, S. C., Jan. 16.—The general assembly today unanimously re-elected Hon. B. R. Tillman United States senator, to succeed himself.

ROSEBERRY FEARS AMERICAN TRUSTS

Believes Them to Be Invincible in the Great Commercial Warfare of the Nations.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, Jan. 16.—The Earl of Rosebery, responding to a toast to his health this evening at the annual banquet of the Wolverhampton chamber of commerce, spoke of the "great commercial warfare being waged against England."

"The chief rivals to be feared," said his lordship, "are America and Germany. The Americans, with their vast and almost incalculable resources, their huge population, which will probably be 100,000,000 in twenty years, together with the plan they have adopted for putting accumulated wealth into great co-operative syndicates or trusts for the purpose of carrying on this great commercial warfare are perhaps the most formidable."

"On the other hand the Germans with their calculating and cunning spirit and the energy with which they seize and use the most economical methods, are, but little less formidable than the Americans."

TRAIN WRECKER LYNCHED.

Norman McKinney Pays the Penalty in Florida.

Ocala, Fla., Jan. 16.—Norman McKinney, colored, has been lynched for wrecking an engine on this great railroad on Sunday night, in which wreck the engineer was killed. The victim implicated two others, who may share the same fate, if caught. McKinney was arrested and taken to the county jail, where a mob of fifty or more overpowered the officers and took the prisoner. He was taken back to the scene of the wreck and there confessed the crime, implicating and describing the two others, who have escaped, but are now being hunted.

Blair County Decision.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Altoona, Pa., Jan. 16.—Judge Martin Bell yesterday took occasion to call the attention of the members of the Blair county bar to the fact that in no case when the defendant is brought into court on requisition papers would he constitute a settlement. It is said he made this statement in anticipation of a settlement of the case of ex-Attorney Samuel A. McKeel, who is now being brought here by Chief of Police Seidelberg, of Norfolk, Va., to stand trial for conspiracy, forgery and embezzlement.

Pennsylvania Postmaster.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 16.—The following fourth class postmaster was appointed today: Stanca, Wagoner county, A. C. Crowley.

LEGISLATURE IN SESSION

Little or No Business Will Be Transacted Until the Committees Have Been Appointed.

ELECTION IS RATIFIED

Mr. Quay's Victory Received by Applause in the Senate—Number of Bills Are Favorably Reported Including the Bill of Senator Scott, of Philadelphia, Regulating the Fee System for County Officers.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, Jan. 16.—In the house today Mr. Quay, of Lancaster, offered a concurrent resolution that when the house adjourns tomorrow it be to meet next Wednesday. Mr. McClain explained that it was impossible for Speaker Marshall to complete his committee assignments before that time and that no legislation could be enacted until the committees were appointed. Mr. Quay, of Lancaster, objected to the resolution and spoke in favor of the house proceeding to business without further delay. The resolution was adopted. The senate ratifying the election of Mr. Quay, of Lancaster, to the United States senate, the journals of the two bodies were read, after which Mr. Gobin announced that M. S. Quay having received a majority of the votes cast in the senate and house he declared him elected for the term beginning March 4, 1899. The announcement was received with applause. The commission of Senator Quay was read after which the convention adjourned. When the house reconvened Mr. Voorhees, of Philadelphia, told on the part of that body, made his return of the vote cast for senator, after which an adjournment was taken until 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

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En-Governor Mount Dead.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Indianapolis, Jan. 16.—James A. Mount, who retired Monday from the office of governor of the state of Indiana, died yesterday at 10 o'clock tonight in his apartment at the Denison hotel. Early in the day he made a speech before the Indiana State Wood Grange association and had attended a reception given by Mrs. Mount to a number of prominent bodies of the city during the afternoon.

MR. QUAY TO QUALIFY.

Will Present His Commission at the Senate Today.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, Jan. 16.—Senator M. S. Quay left at 9:35 o'clock this morning for Washington, in company with his daughter, Miss Cora, and Private Secretary Wright. Edgar C. Werwig, private secretary of Governor Stone, went to Washington this afternoon with the senator's commission. Mr. Quay expects to qualify tomorrow as a senator and then return to Harrisburg and direct the passage of the reform bills to which the Quay Republicans are committed.

The senate and house met jointly at noon and verified the vote for senator at yesterday's session, after which Lieutenant Governor Gobin formally declared Mr. Quay elected. Both bodies will meet tomorrow and compute the vote at the last general election for auditor and the senatorial congressional districts. A recess will be taken after this formally until Monday evening, to allow the presiding officers to complete their committee assignments. The standing committees will probably be announced at Monday evening's session. The reports of the house and senate state committees are expected to be submitted and confirmed at the same time.

Speaker Marshall received a telegram today from a party of Pittsburgh manufacturers and business men requesting him to invite Governor Stone, Senator Quay and Penrose and the members of the legislature who voted for Mr. Quay to attend a banquet to be given in his honor at the Hotel Schenley, Pittsburgh, at a time to be fixed later.

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THE CHINESE WANT PEACE

They Show Solicitude in Securing an Abandonment of Military Operations.

THE PEKIN AGREEMENT

Many Difficulties Encountered in Securing Signatures of the Chinese Plenipotentiaries—The Resolution of Inquiry as to Looting Is Laid on the Table.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, Jan. 16.—The state department has been advised of the formal signature by the Chinese plenipotentiaries of the Pekin agreement, but so far it knows nothing, officially, of the difficulties which arose in connection with the affixing of the seals. Mr. Conger's failure to make any reference to this matter is taken here to mean that he did not regard it as involving any serious difficulty, an opinion substantiated by the latest Pekin advice from the plenipotentiaries. The formalities have actually been completed. The next step probably will be a re-convention of the ministerial council at Pekin, and it is probable that the gathering will be attended by the Chinese plenipotentiaries, so that the proceedings will from this point on follow closely in the line of the usual form of peace negotiations. The Chinese are showing the greatest solicitude in securing an abandonment of military operations by the foreign contingent and a speedy withdrawal of the foreign troops. If not from China, at least from Pekin or vicinity, and now that both sides have entered into a solemn engagement by the ratification of this Pekin agreement, the United States government is willing to use its offices to forward these objects.

MINE WORKERS MUST HAVE CARD

Otherwise It Will Be Difficult for Them to Secure Employment.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilkes-Barre, Jan. 16.—The United Mine Workers' convention at Edwinstown finished its labors this afternoon and adjourned. A great deal of business was transacted at the sessions today. A committee reported in favor of the legislature amending some of the mine laws now on the statute book. It was suggested that if the scheme was practical mine inspectors should be elected by the people instead of being selected by a board of examiners as at present. Several of the delegates complained that many of the laws were not enforced.

A resolution that the check weighman appointed by the miners have the same power as the weighman employed by the coal companies was referred to a committee with instructions to have the matter embodied in a bill and presented to the legislature for passage. A resolution was also adopted calling on the legislature to pass a law compelling the coal operators to pay by weight the coal mined by the miners. After the convention adjourned a parade was held, which was participated in by the delegates and all miners employed in the collieries at Edwinstown and Kingston. About 2,500 men were in line.

BOERS CONCENTRATING.

It Is Reported That 7,000 Have Congregated Under General De Wet.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, Jan. 16.—An important report received from Johannesburg that General De Wet has crossed the Vaal and joined forces with the Transvaal commandoes, if true, probably means the concentration of 7,000 Boers, with several guns, for another big attack. There is a rumor current in Cape Town that several Boer leaders are urging an attack upon the mines. It has long been understood that General De Wet had been anxious to join the invaders in Cape Colony, and this rumor may be spread to cover an attempt to break southward. As an outcome of the fact that the Boers in several instances have worn khaki costumes, a government notice has been promulgated in Pretoria prohibiting civilians from wearing khaki and notifying all persons who wear this costume, which is likely to be mistaken for the British uniform, that they will render themselves liable to arrest and imprisonment.

IRISH LEAGUE FAILS.

Unable to Drive from Public Life the Candidates Who Were Polite to the Queen.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Dublin, Jan. 17.—The attempt of the United Irish league to drive from public life all candidates at the municipal elections who voted for the address of welcome to Queen Victoria has significantly failed. Sir Thomas Pile, lord mayor of Dublin, who was created a baronet in honor of the queen's visit, and who was a special object of the rancor of the league, has been re-elected by a large majority. Several others who were opposed by the league have been re-elected, while Mr. Clancy, a leader of the anti-queen movement, who had been a member of a corporation of London for twenty years, has been defeated.

Bishop of Portland.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Rome, Jan. 16.—The Rev. Father M. C. O'Brien was appointed bishop of Portland, Me., at the last meeting of the congregation of the prophanes.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today. FAIR; COLDER.

- 1 General—Defense in the Bosschler Murder Trial. State Legislature in Session. Democratic Supporters of Quay "Roasted." The Chinese Situation.
2 General—Carbolic Acid Department.
3 Local—Grand Jury Brings Indictments Against Aldermen and Justices of the Peace. Miss Howell Makes Serious Charge Against Her Brother.
4 Editorial. Comment on the Quay Victory.
5 Local—Scranton Is Now a Second Class City. Transfer of the Pennsylvania Coal Company. New Trolley Company for Scranton.
6 Local—West Scranton and Suburban.
7 General—Northeastern Pennsylvania. Financial and Commercial.
8 Local—Live News of the Industrial World.

GENERAL DICK SCORES THE CADETS

By a Torrent of Scathing Sarcastic He Causes the Witnesses for a Time to Forget Their Own Importance.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. West Point, Jan. 16.—The congressional committee put in a good day's work at the West Point academy today. While they relaxed for a few hours in the afternoon to witness a drill of the first class in the riding school, they got down to the bottom of the hazing practices at the academy during the last four years, and while at least a dozen other witnesses have yet to be examined in this connection, the committee has laid out the work for finishing the inquiry before the end of the week. Three witnesses were examined during the day. They were Cadets Mahaffey, Dockery and Peggam. All three were thoroughly examined by Congressmen Wanger, Driggs, Smith and Clayton. Not a point was missed by these gentlemen, but what the witnesses received at the hands of these investigators was as nothing to their experience in the hands of the chairman, General Dick, of Ohio. The general questioned them in his quiet, suave manner, and led them on by easy stages to the point he desired. Then like a bolt from a clear sky he let loose his torrents of scathing sarcasm every word of which cut to the bone and made each of the witnesses wince. All three of them left the stand in a breathless condition and in a worse state of mind and body than if they had just been compelled to go through the entire curriculum of hazing, which, according to the evidence adduced at this investigation, consists of a half hundred different forms.

COMMITTEE TO WAIT ON SILLIMAN

Street Railway Employees Met This Morning and Discussed Seelye and Keller Cases.

At a meeting of the motorman and conductors employed by the Scranton Railway company, held at 2 o'clock this morning in Carpenter's hall, the question of asking for the discharge of C. W. Seelye and Charles Keller, the entire curriculum of hazing, which was let go just before the recent strike, and Michael Rouss, a member of the same committee, who was discharged the day after the men went back to work.

DELAWARE CONTEST.

Ballot for Senator Yesterday Resulted in No Choice.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Wilmington, Del., Jan. 16.—The ballots for United States senators in the joint session of the general assembly at Dover today resulted as follows: For the full term: Richard B. Kenney, Democrat, 23; J. Edward Addicks, Union Republican, 16; Colonel Henry A. DuPont, regular Republican, 8; William C. Spruance, Levi C. Brod, Charles F. Richards and Benjamin Niels, regular Republicans, 1 each; absent, 1. Total vote, 51; necessary to choose, 26; no election. For the short term: Willis Salisbury, Democrat, 23; John G. Gray, Democrat, 1; J. Edward Addicks, Union Republican, 16; Charles P. Richards, regular Republican, 9; William S. Hilles, regular Republican, 2; Benjamin Niels, regular Republican, 1; absent, 1. Total vote, 51; necessary to a choice, 26; no election. Adjourned until noon tomorrow.

WILL OF SAM LEWIS.

The London Money Lender Leaves Large Sums to Charity.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Jan. 16.—Forecast for next 24 hours: Wednesday, fair and colder; Thursday, brisk to high westerly; Friday, brisk; Saturday, fair.

DEMOCRATS ARE ANGRY

Legislators at Harrisburg Denounce Members of the Party Who Aided Mr. Quay's Election.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Representatives Squier, Shutt, Kain, Fake, Rothrock, Garvin and Galvin Are Expelled from the Democratic Party—The Speaker of the House Asked Not to Consider Them as Democrats When Making Up His Committees.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, Jan. 16.—A joint caucus of the senate and house Democrats was held this afternoon, at which resolutions were adopted expelling from the party those Democrats who aided the Quay Republicans in the organization of the house, and William J. Galvin, of Shenandoah, who voted for Mr. Quay for United States senator. None of the Democrats present whom the resolutions are directed was present except Representative Samuel H. Rothrock, of Lycoming, Senator J. Henry Cochran, of Mifflin, and Representative Fisher, of Northumberland, who was not present.

The resolutions were offered by Representatives E. H. Crawford, and originally did not name Messrs. Rothrock, Shutt, Kane, Fake and Galvin. Representative Cotter, of McKean, moved that their names be inserted and the motion carried. Mr. Fisher, of Northumberland, suggested that action be postponed on the resolution that the Democrats have more time to consider the matter, but this was not done and the resolutions were unanimously adopted. They follow: The Resolutions. Whereas, William J. Galvin, of the First legislative district of Schuylkill county was elected last November as a Democrat and pledged to represent faithfully a Democratic constituency; and Whereas, the said Galvin has basely betrayed his constituents as well as the county and state organization of the Democratic party, first by voting for W. T. Quinn, a Republican, for the house and again by voting for M. S. Quay for the United States senate; he therefore Resolved, That we denounce the said William J. Galvin as a traitor to his party, an enemy to good government, a man unworthy of respect and one who should never again be entrusted with any position of honor, profit or responsibility. Resolved, That the action of A. H. Squier, of Wyoming county, who permitted himself to be counted as a party on the vote for senator with a man who was not a member of the house and at a time when the party organization had been made for voting, thus playing into the hands of the enemy, leaves the unqualified condemnation of every loyal Democrat and such act should force said Galvin into political exile. Resolved, That every Democrat who interposes the Fifth senatorial district and who for years has been most violent in denouncing Quay and Quinn, who voted for the said Galvin as a traitor to his party, an enemy to good government, a man unworthy of respect and one who should never again be entrusted with any position of honor, profit or responsibility. Resolved, That the names of Messrs. Squier, Shutt, Kain, Fake, Rothrock, Garvin and Galvin as Democrats.

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