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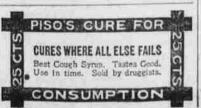
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# RYAN WOULD NOT TELL.

Mr. Jerome As'ted to Institute Proceedings Against Him.

Many Bills Introduced-Jury Censures Railroad-French Concordat Abolished-Re-Sentence of Albert T. Pat rick-Mrs. Rogers Executed-Coun try Banker Burned to Death.

The committee that is investigating life insurance conditions determined to send to District Attorney William T Jerome a request that he institute proceedings against Thomas F. Ryan, financier and owner of the majority of the stock of the Equitable Life Assurance society, to punish Mr. Ryan for refusing to answer questions before the committee.

Mr. Ryan had refused to answer when asked what E. H. Harriman, president of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroad companies, had said to him when Mr. Harriman tried to induce him to share his control of the Equitable society with Mr. Harriman.

Mr. Ryan was asked whether Mr. Harriman had threatened that results disastrous to Mr. Ryan's interests would ensue or if Mr. Harriman had told him that some action would be taken by the state legislature or any officer of the government unless Mr. Ryan consented to share his stock

Acting on the advice of his attorney, Paul D. Cravath, Mr. Ryan declined to answer those questions, although Senator William W. Armstrong, chairman of the committee, directed him to do

When Mr. Ryan was asked why ho paid nearly \$5,000 a share for stock that paid only 7 per cent dividends, he declared that he did it to avert what he feared would be the "most remendous panic that this country has ever seen." if the Equitable society were forced into the hands of the receiver by the situation prevailing when he bought the stock. Frightful losses, he said, would have followed such a receivership and his own large enterprises would have been seriously

affected. To take this company out of the hands in which it was going to destruction and give it a clean, economical and efficient management and restore its prosperity for the benefit of all honest interests Mr Ryan testified seemed to him to be worth doing and that was one of his reasons for buying control of the property.

# Many Bills Introduced.

were introduced in the house on the first day. They cover a large pine tariff, statehood, pensions, regulation of the hours of employment in the executive departments, merchant marine, increase of salaries of the vice president and members of the cabinet; requiring corporations to make full reports of their affairs to the commissloner of corporations; increasing the powers of the interstate commerce commission; investigation of campaign funds; of expenditures on the Panama canal; of insurance companies doing an interstate business; of cotton reports and of the condition of child labor; provision for a six-year term for the president, and the election of senators by a direct vote of the people.

Admission of Oklahoma and Indian Territory as one state was the subject of a bill introduced in the house The bill was prepared by Delegate Mc-Guire of Oklahoma and is almost identical with the joint statehood bill of the last session.

5,963 bills have already been in-5,963 bills which have already been introduced in the house since the opening of this session. Many of these are private bills affecting only individual interests. Holiday adjournment is expected Thursday, Dec. 21.

\$11,000,000 For Panama Canal. An appropriation of \$11,000,000 has been voted by the house toward the construction of the Panama canal. The amount was a compromise between the \$16,500,000 carried in the bill under consideration and an estimate of something over \$6,000,000 recommended by Mr. Williams to carry on the work until the middle of Jan-

# Jury Censures Railroad,

H. W. Lyons, engineer of the pilot locomotive of the Montreal express train which ran into the rear end of the Marlboro accommodation train at Baker's Bridge on the Boston and Maine railroad Nov. 26, the accident resulting in the death of 17 persons, was discharged from custody by the Middlesex county grand jury, before which body he had been held on a charge of manslaughter.

The grand jury took occasion to make a special report, in which the Boston and Maine railroad is severely criticized on the ground that its opcrating rules were insufficient for the protection of passengers,

The grand jury also condemned the railroad for its alleged practice of assigning inexperienced engineers to fast passenger trains. Engineer Lyons was found to have been greatly at fault in not slowing down sufficiently Lowe observatory was destroyed and in disregarding cautionary green lights which indicated that the local stroyed the pole line, cut off all comtrain was not over five minutes ahead | munication between the mountain and and for disregarding red fuse signals | the valley and caused a loss of \$200. indicating that the local train was 300.

Seperation of Church and State, The French senate on Wednesday adopted the bill for the separation of church and state by a vote of 383 electric wire.

"Long live the republic" and "Long live liberty."

This is the final parliamentary stage of the bill which was promulgated In the official journal next day, when It became immediately effective. The council of state will devote three months to the framing of the administrative details of the new regime.

The action of the Vatican regarding the law has not yet been announced definitely. The French clergy, while opposing the measure, appear to be disposed to conform to the new system.

In the future the state will be entirely free from connection with all religious sects.

Hermit Banker Burned to Death. James L. Blodget, the hermit bank er of Hermitage, Wyoming county, was burned to death last week in his house, which burned to the ground. He was estimated to be worth \$1,000,000. He was a graduate of Yale college, in the class of 1850. It is believed the fire caught from

an overheated stove. It is a question for authorities to determine whether or not James L Blodgett, the aged banker of Hermitage, near Warsaw, was murdered and his house burned in an effort to con ceal the crime. The body of the old man was found in the cellar with his skull crushed. It is possible that this might happen if the body fell with

the floor into the basement. Blodgett was robbed several times and it was widely known that he kept large sums of money in his possession. It is not unlikely that robbers paid the hermit a midnight visit. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon.

It is said that only a niece survives and she, provided no will is found, will inherit the big estate. Mrs. George Blackmer is the niece and only kin that is known. She lives at Silver Springs.

## Senator Mitchell's Death,

United States Senator John H. Mitchell of Oregon died at the Good Samaritan hospital in Portland on Friday from complications which followed the removal of four teeth at a dental office Thursday. A hemorrhage of unusual severity followed the operation, and despite the application of the most powerful styptics known to dental science the flow of blood could not be stayed. The senator's condition soon became alarming and it was determined to remove him to the hospital, where he died. Senator Mitchell had long been a sufferer from diabetes and other vitiating dis eases, and in his weakened physical condition he rapidly succumbed.

Many bills and joint resolutions Leader of Russian Revolution Arrested Another crisis is at hand in Russia involving the indefinite prolongation precipitation of a general strike throughout the country and the possible final struggle between the government and the proletariat

This sudden change for the worse is the result of the shedding of first blood in the telegraph strike on Saturday almost simultaneously with the action of M. Durnovo, minister of the interior, in throwing down the gauntlet to the labor organizations by arresting M. Krustaleff, president of the executive committee of the workmen's council, without warning.

Strike of Telegraphers Ending. A dispatch from St. Petersburg says the telegraphers of the capital are returning to their duties and that the strike in the provinces is disorganized.

Albert T. Patrick Again Sentenced. After making a final personal plea to the court in New York in his own behalf, Albert T. Patrick, the lawyer convicted of the murder of William Marsh Rice, last week was sentenced to die in the electric chair during the

week beginning Jan. 22 next. Sentence was pronounced by Justice Rogers in the criminal branch of the supreme court. Notice at once was given that an appeal to the supreme court of the United States on a writ of error will be taken.

# Execution of Mrs. Rogers.

Without a tremor and without a murmur, Mrs. Mary Mabel Rogers marched unconcernedly to her death at Windsor, Vt. Holding her head high in the air, she bravely mounted the gallows unaided and paid the penalty of murdering her husband, Marcus Rogers, at Bennington on Aug. 13. There were no sensational incidents in connection with the hanging. The body was sent to Hooslck Falls, N. Y., where Mrs. Rogers' mother lives.

# Duties Paid on Roosevelt Presents.

The valuable presents of Miss Alice Roosevelt's trip to the Orient were placed in her possession last week They arrived about five weeks ago but were given their turn in examination and appraisement, which was concluded on Friday. A messenger from the White House paid the required duty and a big express van brought the 27 boxes to the White House. The unpacking began immediately.

# Echo Mountain Fire Swept.

Every building on Echo mountain in California except the Mount by fire on Saturday. The fire de-

Railway Station Burned. The Hudson Valley railway station at Saratoga, N. Y., was burned Sunday, the fire starting from a defective

# amid enthusiastic scenes and cries of FIXING MAXIMUM RATES.

Tillman's Bill Caused an Interesting Debate.

Extensive Controversies Predicted Be fore Railroad Rates Bills Are Dis posed of-No Mention of Senator Mitchell's Death-Speaker Cannon Arranges House Committees.

Washington, Dec. 12.-With spirited debates on the subjects of railroad rate legislation, arising through the introduction of a bill by Mr. Tillmar to authorize the interstate commerce commission to fix maximum rates, and the Panama canal, due to a controversy over the reference of the emer gency appropriation bill to a com mittee, the session of the senate con tinuously proved interesting for more than four hours.

An adjournment was taken without mention of the death of Senator Mitchell of Oregon. The erasure of Mr. Mitchell's name from the rolls fol lowed. Chaplain Hale called the situ ation to mind in his prayer by referring pointedly to corruption and death and by praying that members of the senate be given strength to bear each other's burdens.

The debate on the Tillman bill was engaged in by several senators. Mr. Foraker declared that the bill proved that its author believed the present laws were sufficient to correct all al leged transportation evils except excessive rates and that there was ample provision for the punishment of rebate giving.

Mr. Tillman responded that he had thought the law sufficient until the investigation begun by Messrs. Judson and Harmon into the Santa Fe case had terminated in a pitiable fiasco.

Mr. Foraker asserted that the law could not be blamed if "some person" fell short in his duty. Mr. Foraker intimated in his discussion that there would be some extended controversies before the railroad rate bills were disposed of this session.

The Panama canal bill was referred to the appropriation committee.

## THE HOUSE COMMITTEES.

Mr. Williams Shut Off Criticism of Some Assignments For Which He Is Responsible.

Mr. Williams "stepped on the lid" just in time to prevent revelations in the nature of open criticism of the committee assignments of certain of his colleagues for which he is responsible. Mr. Payne, the Republican leader, naively suggested a way by which the revelations might be made, but Mr. Williams assumed all responsibility and "declined to allow the washing of Democratic linen for the amusement

of the Republicans," The incident followed the announcement of committees. Mr. Lamar of Florida submitted and had read a newspaper clipping purporting to quote Mr. Williams to the effect that Mr. Lamar and Mr. Shackleford of Missouri had been left off the interstate and foreign commerce committee because they had failed to follow the Democratic caucus action of last session on the railroad rate bill. Speaker Cannon suggested the statement read did not constitute a question of personal privilege which entitled Mr. Lamar to the floor.

"The gentleman might proceed by unanimous consent," suggested Mr. "How much time does he want-an

hour?" It was here that Mr. Williams strode forward from his seat in the rear. He hailed the speaker with word and gesture and when he got the latter's eye he reserved his right to object only long enough to make the statement that in the interest of Democratic "harmony, effectiveness and of general good will which will not be promoted by washing Democratic linen for the amusement of the Republicans of the

house-I object." Immediately the situation became decidedly interesting. Mr. Lamar faced Mr. Williams, who stood close to him and charged him with taking the matter into the newspapers. Mr. Shackleford was on his feet vainly demanding to ask a question and many Democrats applauded the stand taken by Mr. Williams. Mr. Lamar demanded that Mr. Williams call a Democratic

caucus or allow him to proceed. Speaker Cannon wielded his gavel vigorously and declared everybody out of order and in the midst of confusion Accognized Mr. Payne for a motion to adjourn, which was declared carried and the session was over until Wed-

Before this incident the session had proceeded without a hitch. The unanimous consent necessary to increase the size of the larger committees had been given and in this manner the increased membership of the house and increased Republican representation had been provided committee places. The Democrats had lost no committee places but had made a gain of one, all of which Mr. Williams had declared satisfactory to the minority

Year's Mortality at Soldiers' Home. Elmira, Dec. 12 .- According to the report of Chief Surgeon Haskel of the Soldiers' home at Bath there were 196 deaths within that institution the past year. This is the largest number of deaths which have occurred there in any one year in the history of the institution.

#### ROW AT WESTWOOD INQUEST. POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Attempt to Mob Man Who Was With Her When She Killed Herself.

Schenectady, N. Y., Dec. 12.-There was nearly a riot at the inquest held touching the death of Louise Westwood, the hospital nurse who committed suicide by taking prussic acid last Tuesday evening while dining with George H. Smith, a wellknown lawyer of this city, at a Wall street restaurant.

The following evening Smith was married at Cohoes, the bride being Miss Nellie Kernaghan of the latter city, and who as a result of the notorlety is dangerously ill at her home.

Coroner Dearbarn started to hold the inquest in the common council chambers in the city hall, but the crush of spectators and hundreds of curious women, who surrounded the building led that official to adjourn to the county court rooms.

The mob surged after the coroner and his staff and witnesses, and at the court house the crowd of women caught sight of Smith, and there was a rush for him. It was with difficulty that he was taken into the court room without injury, and the sheriff and a number of deputies had hard work in keeping back the crowd.

Alleged That Juryman Is Not a Citizen Plattsburg, N. Y., Dec. 12.-Alleging that Darwin Schriver, member of a grand jury in Clinton county which returned 25 indictments last month, is an English subject and therefore was not competent to sit, former Judge Patrick J. Tierney asked County Judge Healey, before whom one of the indictments came today, to dismiss it. Mr. Tierney charged that Schriver voted in Canada in 1903 and 1904, is a resident of Hemingford, Que., and has never been naturalized as an American citizen. Tierney appeared for Frank Peets, charged with illegal liquor selling. He says if his contention is sustained at a further hearing all the indictments will be quashed.

#### Churchill Appeal Makes Seven Books.

Albany, Dec. 12.-The return in the appeal of James H. Churchill from the decisions of the lower courts in sustaining his dismissal from a captaincy in the New York city police force was filed today with the court of appeals. He was dismissed for the alleged failure to suppress disorderly houses in his precinct. The return is contained in seven volumes which aggregate 3,300 pages and is the largest ever filed with the court of appeals. Hitherto the printed record in the Albert T. Patrick case was the largest. This exceeds it by several hundred pages.

# Theodore Tilton Robust at 70.

Paris, Dec. 12. - Theodore Tilton, ce famous in cou with Henry Ward Beecher case, celebrated his 70th birthday at his home in the Avenue Kleber, but this year without the dinner party that has become traditional in the American literary set. He was temporarily indisposed, though in general robust health.

# MARKET REPORT.

New York Provision Market.

WHEAT - No. 2 red, 97%c f. o. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth 961/4 c f. o. b. affoat,

CORN - No 2 corn, old, 521/2 c f. o, affoat; No. 2 yellow, 52%c. OATS-Mixet oats, 26 to 32 lbs. 37@371/c; clipped white, 3 6to 40

PORK-Mess, \$15.25@15.50; famfly, per bbl., \$15.50. HAY-Shipping, 50@55c; good choice, 80@85c.

BUTTER - Creamery, extra, 24@ 24%c; common to extra, 16@24c; state dairy, common to extra, 16@23c. CHEESE - State, full cream, small

choice, 13% c. EGGS - State and Pennsylvania, 38@40c. POTATOES - State and Western,

## per bag, \$2.00@2.15. Buffalo Provision Market.

Buffalo, Dec. 11. WHEAT-No. 1 northern, new, spot, 92%c; No. 2 red, 90c. CORN - No. 2 corn, 504c f. o. b afloat; No. 2 yellow, 51c.

OATS - No. 2 white, 361/2c f. o. afloat; No. 3 white, 36c. FLOUR - Fancy blended patent per bbl., \$5.25@6.00; winter family patent, \$4.40@5.15.

BUTTER - Creamery western, extra, 24@2414c state and Pennsylvania, creamery, 23c; dairy, choice to fancy,

CHEESE - Fancy full cream, 4c; good to choice, 13@13%c. EGGS-Selected fancy, 33c POTATOES - Western, fancy, per ou., 68c; home grown, per bu., 62@

# East Buffalo Live Stock Market.

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native lambs, \$7.75@8.00; yearlings, heavy, \$6.20@6.50; handy wethers, \$5.75@6.00; mixed sheep, \$5.25@5.75. HOGS - Best Yorkers, \$5.15@5.20; medium and heavy hogs, \$5:15@5.20; pigs, light, \$5.20@5.25.

# Buffalo Hay Market,

HAY - Choice timothy, \$13.00; No. 1, 12.00@12.50; No. 2, \$10.60@

Summary of the Week's News of the World.

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#### Wednesday.

Secretary Bonaparte recommends building two new battleships and 11 other war vessels for the navy. Rate regulation through a federal commission with power to define rea-

sonable charges is urged in the annual report of Attorney General Moody. Wall street financiers heard that George W. Perkins in April will abandon his place as vice president of the New York Life Insurance company.

Dead in recent disorders at Kieff are estimated at 165. Kischineff re ports new riots. St. Petersburg is still cut off by wire and the strikers continue to defy the authorities. Mr. Balfour, British prime minister,

formally tendered his resignation, together with that of the members of his cabinet, to King Edward. His majesty intrusts Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman with the formation of a new liberal ministry.

## Thursday.

James R. Parsons, Jr., United States consul at Mexico City, was killed and his wife severely injured in collision with a street car in the Mexican cap ital

The immense arch roof over Charing Cross station, London, wildenly collapsed, injuring many persons, and that sort witnessed by white men in many dead are believed to be buried in the ruins.

The New York state court of appeals decided that theater managers may refuse resold tickets, if a prohibition is printed on their face, thus killing the "ticket speculation" business. Senator Chauncey M. Depew of New

York has tendered his resignation as a director of the Equitale Life Assurance society. It will be presented to the board of directors at its next meeting.

Friday. Mme. Sarah Bernhardt was assailed by a mob at Quebec in revenge for an interview, in which she criticized the French Canadians. Mr. Ryan, "Territorial Delegate" of

the Isle of Pines, is about to leave Havana for Washington to claim a seat in congress, says a cable dis-Lieutenant General Sakharoff, former Russian minister of war, is assas-

alarms the empire, showing a new turn of revolutionary activity. France formally ends the relations between church and state, the senate passing the separation bill, to take

sinated by a woman. The tragedy

effect immediately, which was adopted by the chamber of deputies, Albert T. Patrick, after making an impassioned appeal for a further delay, is again sentenced to die in the electric chair in Sing Sing for the murder of William M. Rice, an aged million-

Saturday. In a massacre at Kieff fifteen hundred persons are reported killed and revolutionists have seized the arsenal at Ekaterinodar.

that Corea must look for help against the United States. United States Senator Mitchell died at Portland, Ore., yesterday from loss

At the state department it is held

of blood following the extraction of a tooth the day before. Andrew Carnegle declared before the national conference on immigration that he would pay a premium to every allen who came here and became

District Attorney Jerome, eager to take up the insurance question, has been promised the first volume issued of the testimony taken before the in-

# vestigating committee.

Count and Countess Boni de Castellane will spend \$200,000, an entire year's income, in a reception to King

Carlos of Portugal in Paris. Roman Catholic church in France will prosper under the law separating it from the state if politics and religion are kept apart, says J. Cornely.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has formed a new British ministry, among its members being John Morley, Her bert Gladstone and Sir Edward Grey. Many experts, according to a cable dispatch, attribute the collapse of the Charing Cross station roof in London to the excavations for the new sub-

Loss of 1 per cent in membership of the New York diocese of the Protestant Episcopal church was reported by

the Living Church Annual. This year's Nobel prizes were dis tributed at the Royal Academy of Music in Stockholm by King Oscar of Sweden in the presence of a distinguished gathering.

in his annual report that he is more concerned about efficiency of administration of the postoffice department than about its deficit. It was declared the battle in this

Postmaster General Cortelyou says

country for the metric system has nearly been won and a bill making the use of decimal calculation compul-11.00; No. 1 rye straw, \$10.00@11.00, sory will be introduced in congress.

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highlander no small amount of dexterity. The usual way was to lay it on the floor and after carefully arranging the folds to lie down upon it and then buckle it on. The lower end was fastened at the right hip. The utility of such a dress in the highlands is obvious, for the plaid rendered the man indifferent to storms and prepared to pass a night in the open air in the most inclement weather, while the loose undergarment enabled him to wade rivers or ascend mountains with equal ease. It was thus peculiarly adapted to the warrior, the hunter and the shepherd.-London Mail.

### PRAIRIE DOGS.

Choked Up a River While Traveling From Oklahoma to Texas.

"The prairie dog migration from Oklahoma to southwestern Texas during July, 1874, eclipsed anything of this country," said a veteran who saw It. "Millions of the frisky little barkers must have been in quest of new pastures or perhaps feared the approaching legions of home seekers would surely exterminate the dogs and plow up the dog towns. The prairie dog migration from the north to the southwest lasted six days during the month of July, 1874. The traveling dogs while crossing the Red river interfered to a great extent with the cattle that came to that stream to quench their thirst. Some cowboys that were on the banks of Red river during the time when the prairie dogs swam across say that the stream was check full of the little rascals for many miles up and down the river. The thirsty cattle were either unable or unwilling to stick their mouths into the water through the moving mass of living prairie dogs. The cowboys were getting ready to drive the famishing stock to a distant stream, but the Red river became clear of the repelling swimmers after blocking the useful drinking place for about a week. It was generally supposed that the dogs halted when they had reached the staked plains of Texas."-Kansas City

The Pin In England. The date of the first manufacture of pins in England is shrouded in uncertainty, but it is authentically recorded that as early as 1464, when money was "tight," extensive cloth workers compelled their laborers to accept in payment for their work "pins, girdles and other unprofitable wares instead of money." The march of improvement had begun and kept on steadily until toward the middle of the sixteenth century pins began to win appreciation so high that statutes were enacted pro tecting their manufacture, and rigid laws were passed prohibiting the im-Japanese aggression otherwise than to | portation of numerous minor articles, including pins, gloves, knives, tailors' shears, scissors and irons. Up to this period female dress was fastened with ribbons, laces, clasps, hooks and eyes and skewers of brass, silver and gold. The latter were, in fact, pins without

# heads.-London Globe.

Wild Flowers of Alaska. Up in "green Alaska," as John Bur roughs found it, the predominating color of the wild flowers is blue. The wild geranium is blue and tinges the slopes as daisies and buttercups do with us He speaks of "patches of a most exquisite forgetmenot of pure, delicate blue with yellow center that grew to the height of about a foot. A handful of it looked like something just caught out of the sky above." In another paragraph he speaks of the forgetmenot growing round an Eskimo encampment at Plover bay, within sight of the Siberian coast, that was scarcely an inch high, of deep ultramarine blue, "the deepest, most lutense blue I ever saw

Pish Out of Water.

Many people think that fish when taken out of water die because alr has a fatal effect on them. The real reason, however, is that their delicate gill filaments or membranes become dry and stick together, so that no nir can can pass between them. Thus they lose the power to imbibe necessary oxygen, and the circulation of their blood stops. The painful gasping of a fish out of water is nature's effort to free the pas-

# sage through the filaments.

"Don't you think the custom of throwing rice at a newly married couple is idiotic?" asked the fuffy hair ed muid.

"Sure," answers elor. "Much vo . a great deal more appropri

# Genealogy,

Small Boy (just home from school)-Mamma, Miss Simpson says I'm deseemded from a monkey. His Mother (glancing severely at her husband)-Not on my side, darling. - Harper's