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Important Opinion By The Court.

In the case of the County Commissioners versus W. H. Brazeo, Treasurer of Forest County, the Court has filed the following opinion: Petition for writ of preremptory mandamus to compel the respondent, the County Treasurer of Forest county, to pay certain order given by the County Commissioners...

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The number of Irish enjoy any popularity in Ireland, although personally qualified to attract it. It is known the history of the country better than the children of the land. They have long memories, and by tradition what the Irish titles are historical with memories not of their own, but of their fathers. A "Union" party in the same category as the "Irish" party, which held so tenacious a stock.—London Truth.

HUNGRY TOILERS LOOK TO MINERS

Desperate Effort to Stop Suffering and End Trade Crisis.

FOR MINIMUM WAGE BILL

Ex-Premier's Opposition to Legislation Rushed to End Coal Strike Violent Down by Large Majority—Increasing Destitution.

London.—By an astonishingly large majority, the minimum wage bill was passed in Parliament and it is hoped that the unprecedented distress caused by the coal strike will cease.

It is announced that the Great Eastern Railway, which up to the present, because of its enormous coal reserve, has been able to maintain a full service, will begin to cut down. The tramway company serving the London suburbs was given notice to its employees that it will not be able to run any cars after the end of the month.

From all great industrial districts come tales of increasing destitution, intensified by the cold and inclement weather, and, in the northern country, snow and sleet. The Paisley Thread Mills were closed, letting out 12,000 workers.

The ports are all congested by idle shipping. It is estimated that tonnage amounting to 100,000 is lying idle at the Southampton docks, including the liners Oceanic, Majestic, St. Paul, New York and Philadelphia.

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Details of the hundreds of individual cases of starvation and suffering would fill pages of a newspaper. Through the Lancashire district conditions are pitiable. Relief funds have been started in Wigan, St. Helens, Bolton, Preston and other coal towns, where fully 40 per cent. of the coal workers are women and quite 10 per cent. children.

Men and women are literally starving by tens of thousands. But it is war to a finish with the miners. Their leaders vow they will starve to death before they will give in. The fight is equally bitter on the side of the operators, who insist the Minimum Wage bill is a revolutionary, blackmarking piece of legislation. Some of them hint that the mines may remain closed; but no one believes this for a moment. Their profits are quite enough to take care of the minimum wage.

\$130,000 PEARL THIEF CAUGHT.

Postoffice Inspectors Nab Man Who Stole Jewels Aboard Liner. St. Louis.—Postoffice inspectors arrested Daniel Callahan on a charge of stealing pearls worth \$130,000 belonging to Mrs. Malvina Drummond from a stateroom on the Hamburg-American liner Amerika in February, 1911.

Washington.—The arrest in St. Louis of Daniel Callahan by postoffice inspectors ends a chase of a year which took in a large portion of the United States and England. Callahan, who is 39 years old according to records of the Postoffice Department, has a long criminal career and has been the leading spirit in some of the largest robberies in the country.

INDIANA FOR GOV. MARSHALL.

Delegates to National Democratic Convention So Instructed. Indianapolis, Ind.—The thirty delegates from Indiana to the Democratic National Convention were instructed, in the platform adopted by the State convention, "to present to that body the name of Governor Thomas R. Marshall as the first and only choice of the Democracy of Indiana for the nomination of President."

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Manchester, England.—Tom Mann, the noted British Socialist labor leader, was sent to jail in Salford because he urged soldiers to refuse to shoot their fathers and brothers if called out for strike duty.

TOM MANN SENT TO PRISON.

Held Without Bail, Charged with Inciting Soldiers to Mutiny. Manchester, England.—Tom Mann, the noted British Socialist labor leader, was sent to jail in Salford because he urged soldiers to refuse to shoot their fathers and brothers if called out for strike duty.

HOUSE PASSES INCOME TAX BY LARGE MAJORITY

Eighty Republicans Join Democrats in Vote on Measure—Expect Senate to Concur.

Washington.—The Democratic Excise bill to tax virtually everybody's income when it is \$5,000 or more a year passed the House, 259 to 40. The Democrats voted solidly for it, and carried 80 Republican votes with them. Forty regular Republicans were the opposition.

The bill now goes to the Senate, where its fate is a guess. Many Senators said that if on analysis they found the House measure would tax all classes of people alike they would support it. Democratic Senators, with a few exceptions, are expected to vote for it. Democratic Leader Martin expressed the hope that the Democratic Senators and the progressive Republicans might put the bill through. Republican leaders are depending on the President's veto to check revenue revision bills from the House.

The Excise bill, though primarily intended to produce anywhere from \$20,000,000 to \$60,000,000 a year to make up for the losses on free sugar, is also expected to be one of the offsets to general pension legislation, which seems sure to be enacted. Democratic Leader Underwood held his majority intact through the passage of the bill. Not one Democratic vote was cast against it, and the measure was passed exactly as framed.

An outburst of applause from the Democratic side accompanied the announcement of the vote, and was renewed when it was learned that 89 Republicans had voted for the measure.

The bill would extend the existing Corporation Tax law to include a tax of 1 per cent. on the yearly net incomes of all firms or individuals in excess of \$5,000.

N. DAKOTA FOR LA FOLLETTE.

Results of the First Presidential Primary Ever Held. Fargo, N. D.—Senator La Follette carried the primaries in North Dakota by at least 15,000, and he may have more votes than Roosevelt and Taft combined. It is not probable that he carried every one of the forty-nine counties. The Progressive Democrats went for him almost to a man. There was no real contest in the Democratic ranks and as a consequence the radicals in the party voted for La Follette, as they can under the primary system in this State.

BANDITS HOLD UP TRAIN.

Blow Open and Rob Express Safe on the M. & O. Road. Corinth, Miss.—Mobile & Ohio passenger train No. 4, northbound, was held up and the express safe blown open and robbed seven miles south of Corinth by four men, heavily armed and masked. After accomplishing the robbery the men took to the dense underbrush of the Tusculum River bottoms.

MILLIONS FOR ORPHANAGE.

Lord Wandsworth's Will Provides \$6,250,000 for Institution. London.—A bequest of \$6,250,000 figures in the will of the late Baron Wandsworth for the foundation of an orphanage.

Sydney.—James Stern first Baron Wandsworth, who died recently, leaving no heir to the title, was the son of Viscount de Stern, from whom he inherited the title of viscount in the kingdom of Portugal and a large estate. Lord Wandsworth never married.

STRIKES ADJOURNMENT GAIT.

House Passes \$25,000,000 Rivers and Harbors Bill in Three Hours. Washington.—Evidence of a disposition on the part of both Democrats and Republicans of the House to hurry up the work of the session so that Congress may adjourn in ample time for the national conventions of the two parties was furnished when the rivers and harbors appropriation bill, carrying cash appropriations of \$24,662,520 and contract authorizations of \$2,200,000, were put through.

LEGISLATORS FACE INQUIRY.

Four Members of New Mexico House Accused of Bribery. Santa Fe, N. M.—The trap set by the Republican State Central Committee in which four members of the House—Jose P. Lopez, Julian C. Trujillo, Manuel Cordova and Luis R. Montoya—were arrested, charged with accepting bribes to vote for certain senatorial candidates, was declared by the accused men to have been set by themselves to catch the "higher ups." The accused men resigned.

Substitute for Soap.

Bolled potatoes make an excellent substitute for soap if your hands have become blackened with contact with pots and pans. Take a little of the potato and rub well into the skin, then rinse it off with warm water.

Cornered.

"That chauffeur was a great disappointment." "I thought he would be." "But you gave him a letter of recommendation." "Of course. And I advise you to do the same. It's the only way to get him to an peacefully."

MARQUIS OF HERTFORD DIES.

His Hair Former Husband of Alice Thaw of Pittsburgh. London.—The Marquis of Hertford, father of the Earl of Yarmouth, died on March 23 and the Earl of Yarmouth, the former husband of Alice Thaw of Pittsburgh, succeeded to the title and what there is of the estate. Yarmouth, who went through bankruptcy for about \$100,000, succeeds to an estate that is impoverished and mortgaged heavily, and debts of various descriptions abound.

IS GIVING AWAY HIS REAL ESTATE

Phipps Tired of the Burden Its Care Entails

TEN MILLION GOES TO SONS

Were Not Previously suffering for Necessities of Life—Public Benefactions of Donor Have Been Many.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Henry Phipps, Sr., has divested himself of his realty holdings in this city, estimated at \$10,000,000, by giving it to three sons, John S., Henry and Howard Phipps, all of Nassau county, New York. The gift includes the Fulton, Bessemer and Manufacturers skyscrapers, all on the banks of the Allegheny, the McEwen Furniture Company's building, the Phipps model tenements on the North Side, besides other less well known but valuable parcels. Included in the gift are two farms, one in Ross township and another in Jefferson township.

The deed is an ordinary typewritten document in which no space is wasted with recitals other than describing the properties. Nothing is said about how the three sons are to share in the ownership of the property; the \$10,000,000 more or less of skyscrapers and other real estate is just given them in fee. Henry Phipps and his wife, Mrs. Annie C. Phipps, signed and acknowledged the document in New York city, the date in the transfer being March 12, 1912.

Less than a month ago Mr. Phipps gave his "boys" \$3,000,000 worth of Chicago real estate, and neither the father nor the sons would comment upon that gift which, it was said, was simply to relieve the parent of work and worry. It was not because John S., Henry C. and Howard need the real estate. The elder ones, John and Henry, have mansions of their own in Long Island that are as imposing as their father's in New York. They own enough of the United States Steel Corporation to enable them to have homes in Pittsburgh and estates in Scotland. The youngest son, Howard, lives mostly with his father, and also has a few bonds of the Steel Corporation in his deposit vault.

The sisters of the Phipps boys, who do not share in the Pittsburgh real estate, are Helen, now Mrs. Brady Martin, and Amy, now the wife of the Hon. Frederick Guest.

Mr. Phipps a few years ago spent \$1,000,000 building model tenements in Philadelphia, his birthplace. He gave a similar sum to Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md., for the study of insanity.

A few of his other benefactions have been: \$100,000 for the aid of the Beer families distressed by the war with England; \$50,000 to Paris to fight tuberculosis; \$100,000 for scientific research in India; \$10,000 for a memorial to Henry Ward Beecher, and \$10,000 to the Educational Alliance of this city.

LATHAM RELEASED BY McGR-W.

Old Timer Has to Make Room for Youngsters—Seeking a Job. Dallas, Tex.—Archie Latham, one of the most famous of all the old-time baseball players, and one of the characters of the modern-day game, who has been carried by the New York Giants in the capacity of coach for the past four years, has been released.

Latham's value to the club as a drawing card was quite definite, but he had to be included in the 25 ball players allowed a manager after May 15, and McGraw drew in so many valuable youngsters this year that he finally had to make room for them somehow.

Walter Arlington Latham celebrated his fifty-third birthday in camp at Marlin a few days ago. He was the oldest man in point of service earning a livelihood out of the game by still appearing in uniform, having been coach for almost 40 years. He was one of the greatest basemen of all time and of the best fielding and hitting third basemen.

REAL RECALL IN OHIO.

Socialists Will Try to Oust Mayor Who "Fired" One of the Faith. Lorain, O.—Thomas Pape, the Socialist Mayor of Lorain, has been officially notified by Secretary Goll of the Socialist party that, unless he appears at a meeting of the party next Thursday and satisfactorily explains why he discharged G. A. Storck, a Socialist, from the office of service director and appointed I. A. Dawes, a Republican, he will be recalled by the party and his resignation sent to the council. Mayor Pape says that he will not attend the meeting and will ignore the official notification. There are but two Socialists in the council and the resignation will not carry in that body.

HEARS SHOTS, FALLS DEAD.

Mrs. Murray Mistook Them for Feu! at Court House Murder Trial. London, Ky.—Shots fired as a fire alarm here and mistaken for the sounds of a feud battle at the Court House, where Gen. May is on trial for murder, so excited Mrs. W. H. Murray that she fell dead.

Friend of Dumas.

There Lives at St. Die, France, in a little commune near Rebaupain an old woman of good figure and undimmed eyes, notwithstanding the fact that she was borne 111 years ago. Centenarians are not at all uncommon about the Vosges. Her name is Mme. Viry and for a long period she was in the service of Alexandre Dumas pere.

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105 LOSE THEIR LIVES IN MINE EXPLOSION

Disaster in Oklahoma Caused by Accumulated Gas—Had No Chance to Make Escape.

McCurain, Okla.—One hundred and five lives is accepted as an approximately correct estimate of the human toll taken when mine No. 2 of the Sans Bois Coal Company here was wrecked by an explosion. Of 115 men of the day shift only eleven are known to be alive. The others are entombed behind the debris. In the opinion of Government experts and mine officials they are dead, and a special train which brought physicians and nurses from Fort Smith, Ark., returned at once because they were not needed. Five physicians remained in the faint hope that some of the imprisoned men may be found alive. Among those unaccounted for are members of a surveying party, headed by W. D. Roper of Clo, S. C. Forty-three Americans were employed in the mine.

Frank Fields, a miner, was the first to stagger out of the mine. He was walking in an entry and heard the explosion, he said. Nine other miners escaped through a "man-way."

Superintendent Brown of the coal company led the first rescue party into the mine, but they could proceed no further than the sixth level. They returned to the surface with the body of John Colvas, 17 years old.

All night half a hundred rescuers worked in relays. They took out four bodies. The bodies are blackened and burned and are practically unrecognizable. Brown said the force of the explosion was such that only by the remotest possibility could any of the entombed men be alive.

The explosion resulted, mine experts said, from either accumulated gas or coal dust.

Seranton, Pa.—Mine gas creeping through crevices into the cellar of a dwelling in Dunmore, this county, in which nine persons, seven of them children, were sleeping, reached the kitchen where an oil lamp was burning. In the explosion that tore the house to fragments two mothers and six children were killed outright and the seventh child was fatally hurt.

The dead are Mrs. Jean Batiste Covello, 48 years old; her children, William, aged 21; Lizzie, aged 14; Lucy, aged 12; Dominick, aged 8; Mrs. Vito Summa, aged 28, a married daughter, and her children, Rose, aged 4; Frank, aged 5.

The seventh child, Mammie Summa, was found lodged in the branches of a tree in the street in front of the wrecked house when dawn broke two hours after the explosion.

ROOSEVELT FEARS OLIGARCHY.

Tells Audience Taft Doesn't Believe in Popular Government. New York.—Speaking to a large, attentive and enthusiastic audience in Carnegie Hall, Theodore Roosevelt, in his first appeal made in this State for the Republican nomination for the Presidency, explained his Columbus speech, enunciated a more moderate doctrine than he laid down then, attacked President Taft unqualifiedly for the latter's Massachusetts address, and stirred the audience to applause in a passion of oratory which carried the radical portion of his audience with him.

That President Taft does not believe in popular government that he inclines to oligarchy or government of the many by the few, and that representative government in this country is tending to oligarchy and has got to be altered to a true democracy, are some of the things Colonel Roosevelt told his audience.

JOINED IN DEATH AS IN LIFE.

Three Aged Women, Seeking Health Together, Die Within Three Days. Jersey City, N. J.—The Misses Mary and Alice McCarran, the first 80 and the other 78 years old, and their sister-in-law, Mrs. Susan McCarran, also 78 years old, went into Orange County, New York, some two weeks ago, for their health.

A few days after their arrival they caught the grip. Mary died on March 16, her sister-in-law the next day, and Alice on March 19.

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SIDE BY SIDE IN LONG SLEEP

Aged Couple Pass Away Almost Simultaneously

WIDOW'S WISH CARRIED OUT

"I'm Coming John," She Said—Lovely Close of Long Devoted Companionship—Marriage Antedated Civil War.

Reynoldsville, Pa.—The oldest couple of this town, in residence as well as age, are dead. They are Mr. and Mrs. John S. Smith. Mr. Smith, aged 86, died last Friday morning and his wife, aged 78, Sunday morning. They will be buried side by side Wednesday, according to a request made by Mrs. Smith last Friday.

Many times Mrs. Smith had said: "If my husband dies first I want to live long enough to know that he is dead." She was greatly attached to him. They had been married 62 years, and when he was serving in the Civil War she put her four children in an ox-cart and drove from Reynoldsville to Georgia, Tenn., to be near him and to take care of him should he be wounded.

Both had been ill over a week from pneumonia. When the husband died the aged woman, in another room, knew by the hush that had suddenly fallen over the household and the sad faces of her children that her companion had gone. She called them to her bedside.

"John is dead, isn't he?" she asked. She was told the truth. An expression of eagerness came over the wrinkled face. "Don't bury him till Wednesday," she said calmly. Those at the bedside knew she wished this delay in the hope that she would be buried beside him.

Sunday morning she said, as if to herself, "I'm coming John." Then a smile passed over her face and she went to sleep.

Mrs. Smith was born in Panic, five miles from Reynoldsville. She and Mr. Smith were married 10 years before he joined Company 1, One Hundred and Fifth Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry for service in the Civil War. Mrs. Smith was left with four small children. Besides taking care of her house she worked in fields, nailed logs and cut timber. She could endure this but a year, when on going to be near her husband overcame her, and she traveled to Tennessee in an ox-cart with her children. Her husband's regiment was here. She remained there till the war was over.

Mr. Smith was born in Clinton county. As a young man he taught school when schoolhouses were log huts with windows of greased paper. Later he became a civil engineer and staked off the pan for Reynoldsville. He survived nearly all the roads in Jefferson county.

The following children survive: Sidney F. Marietta, O.; Frank D. Washington, D. C.; W. L. of Painsawtoney; J. D. of Lynchburg, Va.; Mrs. Joseph Coonan of Woodsfield, O., and Mrs. Walter Fleming of Buffalo, N. Y.

Newboy Confesses to Being Firebug.

Butler, Pa.—The source of the incendiary fires which have annoyed Butler the past week is said to have been "leared up when Mike" Flint, a nine-year-old Italian newsboy admitted to "help of Police that he (Flint) started him. He is alleged to have said he started the two fires because the two tenants did not buy newspapers from him and had explained the blame to County Surveyor George Pflieger's office because Pflieger "kidded" him and because he wanted to see if the automobile fire truck could get to the fire faster than the horse-drawn engines. "Mike" is very industrious and is well known about the courthouse. He was given a lecture by Burgess Amy and Chief of Police Schultz and permitted to go home on the promise that he would start no more fires.

New Freight Record Established.

Harrisburg, Pa.—The Philadelphia Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company handled 8,425 freight cars March 23 and broke all records for movement of freight cars between Philadelphia and Harrisburg. By an odd coincidence the books of Superintendent William B. McCaleb show that the best previous record was 8,149, made on March 23, 1907, five cars to the day. The average movement of freight cars on the division for the 10 days previous was 7,237 daily.

Vile Wretch Gets Swift Justice.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—Quick Justice was dealt out here when George Parry, aged 28, arrested Friday charged with attacking an 11-year-old girl, was sentenced to serve 61 years in the State penitentiary. Parry was paroled in 1910 after serving nine years of a 20-year sentence on a similar charge.

Interstate Commerce Commission.

decided railroads must take same rate between states as within any state and that federal law transcends state law, in all interstate commerce.

Whole Life in One House.

Salisbury, Pa.—Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Heselbarth, who celebrated their golden wedding recently, have spent their entire wedded life here. Mr. Heselbarth is a native of Germany and came to America when 24 years old. His wife, who was Lydia Jively, was born in Salisbury. She has lived her entire life, 72 years, in the house in which she was born. They have seven children.

Annual report of Carnegie Foundation showed much improvement in general education.