

## DENIES GRAFTING.

Bedell Says Sugar Money  
Constituted Mere Tips.

## "FOR FACILITATING CARGOES"

Characterizes Testimony of J. P. Hyland as Positively False and Declares That No Cash Was Received For False Weighing.

New York, Sept. 21.—George E. Bedell, the former chief clerk in the office of Deputy Surveyor of the Port James F. Vail, and who is now on trial before Judge Martin and a jury in the United States circuit court on the charge of complicity in the underweighing frauds, resumed the witness stand in his own defense under cross examination conducted by Henry L. Stimson, the special prosecutor for the government. Mr. Bedell admitted that his acceptance of the so called "house money" might have had some influence in the assignment of assistant weighers to ships or docks, but the witness adhered to his statement of yesterday that he never accepted money which he knew or understood to be part of the fruits of fraudulent weighing.

Bedell characterized the testimony of James P. Hyland as "positively false." Hyland, who was a government witness, testified that he paid Bedell a part of the money received by him from importers for underweighing.

Bedell, however, while admitting receiving money from Hyland as well as from Frederick B. Sawyer, another assistant customs weigher, contended that he never knew there was anything wrong in the payment by the steamship companies of what was called "house money." Such money Bedell said he regarded as in the nature of a tip. This money was paid for facilitating the unloading of cargoes.

Bedell admitted that part of this money was paid by certain sugar importers, but this was done, as he understood it, only when the weighers worked overtime. In no instance, he said, did he know that any of this money was derived from false weighing.

## HEAVY SEAS BATTER FLEET.

Battleships Settle Down Ready to Resume Rifle Practice.

Fortress Monroe, Va., Sept. 21.—On Sunday, after a full week's enforced idleness due to heavy seas, the breaking up of target rafts and the disabling of tugs and other auxiliary vessels, the Atlantic battle fleet settled down in calmer water, prepared to resume target practice.

Two ships lost their anchors in the heavy seas while a stiff northeaster ran from thirty to forty miles an hour for forty-eight hours. One ship lost seventy-five fathoms of chain. Two tugs lost their propellers, and collars even were driven to shelter in Lynhaven bay.

The entire fleet has been isolated, each ship from another, and only the Connecticut, Admiral Schreeder's flagship, has received mail.

The commander in chief has allowed no wireless messages except official, and a strict limit and censorship has been maintained on press dispatches.

## MARRIED AT PISTOL POINT.

Husband So Charges in Suit For Annulment.

New York, Sept. 21.—Alfred Larkin, Jr., an employee of the Staten Island Rapid Transit railway, says he was forced at the point of her father's pistol to marry Agnes Madsen four years ago, when he was just a month over eighteen and she was scarcely fifteen years of age, and he sued for an annulment.

Through her counsel Mrs. Larkin applied today to Justice Gavegan of the supreme court for alimony and counsel fee, alleging that she was dependent upon her father, Hans S. Madsen, who is poor, while Larkin is well to do. Decision was reserved.

## BAKER IS NOT REMOVED.

Leave It to Me, Says Mayor Gaynor to Mitchell.

New York, Sept. 21.—John Purroy Mitchell, the acting mayor, could not get Mayor Gaynor to assent to the removal of Police Commissioner Baker. The mayor told Mr. Mitchell that he would be back at the city hall "in a few days" and asked Mr. Mitchell to leave Baker to him.

The mayor read the police commissioner's letter to Mr. Mitchell and persuaded Mr. Mitchell not to make it public.

## Twins Give Birth Same Day.

New York, Sept. 21.—Mrs. Clara Mittleman, wife of Max Mittleman of 240 East Fourteenth street, and Mrs. Mary Waxman, wife of George Waxman of 523 Lenox avenue, are twins. On Sunday Mrs. Mittleman became a mother and on the same day her sister, Mrs. Waxman, also gave birth to a child.

## Kills Wife's Physician.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 21.—Alleging that his wife's affections had been alienated, William C. Cox shot and killed Dr. J. R. Sewell, one of the leading physicians of Atlanta. As soon as Cox was certain that Dr. Sewell was dead he put a bullet through his own head, inflicting a fatal wound.

## LIVE STOCK

## BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS.

Large Percentage of all Herds Infected with the Disease.

A great many of our dairy farmers think that there are enough regulations concerning their business, but it is highly probable that further legislation in regard to milk will follow the statement Dr. V. A. Moore recently made in Ithaca that 72 per cent of all herds of cattle in the State are infected with tuberculosis. Dr. Moore is one of the staff of the New York State Veterinary College at Cornell, and consulting veterinarian to the State Agricultural Department. He believes that steps should be taken to probe the herds and eradicate the disease. During the last year the State Department tested 2,753 cattle. Of this number 628 responded to the tuberculin test and were killed. The owners received for these condemned cows a total of \$6,819, which averages a little more than \$10 a head. The State law allowing the payment of forty per cent of the value of any animal killed by order of the State Veterinarian. This, it is claimed, is considered too small an amount by the farmers and often induces them to cover up the condition of infected animals. State Agricultural Commissioner Wetling believes the owners should be paid a greater percentage, and that the only safe way to eradicate the disease is to kill off the infected animals within a given period. To do this would require thousands of officials and an immense expenditure of money, but he is sure the State will eventually be forced to adopt the plan and will, in the end, be the better off for it.

Discussing the question, Dr. Moore recently called attention to a very common error when he said: "You will see advertisements appear drink only pasteurized or sterilized milk and avoid disease germs. Now the fact is that tuberculosis germs can not be killed under 210 degrees Fahrenheit. To heat milk to that temperature would change it to a curd like cheese. Raw milk is the natural food and the supply should be protected by the State at any cost."

## Breeding Crate for Sows.

Quite frequently a farmer has a sow that is inclined to give trouble at time of service. She may be in condition to breed yet at the same time either from fear or meanness will not.

The cut herewith shows a cheap yet practical and effectual breeding crate in use by one of my neighbors. I have had the opportunity of using this crate several times and know that it will save a great deal of time



## BREEDING CRATE FOR SOWS.

with sows that give trouble about breeding.

The crate was constructed alongside a building in one corner of a small pen. It is 4 feet long by 20 inches wide. The entire frame work was constructed out of inch material. About 12 inches up from the ground and 10 inches from the rear end of the crate a bar is placed. After the sow is driven into the crate this bar is passed in front of the hind legs and under the flank. In case of a very large sow and a young boar a small platform is laid down as illustrated.—Prairie Farmer.

## Lambs and the Self Feeder.

We all differ in our methods (in feeding lambs. Some of us "got there" much better than others, and succeed in fattening the lambs. A man that can not make them fat, does not long continue in the business. I never tried the self-feeder, for the simple reason, at first, that the evidence of the experiment stations was decidedly against the practice. As experience comes to me, I am more strongly against the practice. Station work says that gains by the use of the self feeder are more costly than gains otherwise made. Any one that has ever fed lambs, knows, or should know, that a lamb will not leave a feed that he likes till he is full and in too many instances, too full. Then he stands off until hunger impels him to feed again. If the other lambs have "blown" upon the feed that he must eat, he will not touch it till very hungry, and then he eats too much again. This "see-saw" way of feeding must belong to the self-feeder.

Then another objection to the self-feeder is, the corn must be shelled, which entails a great deal of hard labor unless a man has a power sheller, which adds much to the expense and care of the plant. In my experience, I have found it much more easy to pick the cobs out of a rack than to feed the ears into a corn sheller while the other fellow turned the crank.—John M. Jamison in the Ohio Farmer.

As a general rule a man's hair turns gray five years earlier than that of a woman.

NEWS FROM MAINE  
PLEASED BERRYGubernatorial Nominee Elated  
Over Democratic Victory.

## HE ATTACKED TARIFF BILL

Independent Republicans Quit Keystone Party, Disgruntled With the Bryanite Outfit.

[Special Correspondence.]

Philadelphia, Sept. 20.

An exhibition of partisanship which startled and disgusted the few independent Republicans present was given by William H. Berry at a meeting in this city a few nights ago, when the Keystone Party nominee, unable to suppress his jubilation, spoke exultantly of "the good news from Maine."

Not only did he express intense gratification over the Democratic victory in the Pine Tree State, but he followed this up with an attack upon the Republican tariff and the Taft administration, which so incensed Republicans that the little coterie that were there left the hall, determined to have nothing further to do with his candidacy.

Yes, Berry had "heard the good news from Maine," and his old-time Democratic spirits were revived; he could not help but rejoice in a triumph for a party with which he fought for so many years. While he is a bolter this year from the Guffey Democratic state organization, Berry still holds allegiance to the national Democracy, particularly to the Bryan wing of that party, for which at Denver he deserted Guffey for Bryan—Guffey who had done so much for him, nominated him and financed his campaign for state treasurer, and even though he was then getting \$8000 a year salary from the state treasury, loaned him \$15,000 upon collateral which when put up at public sale realized but \$700, and then suit had to be entered in court in an effort to obtain payment of the balance, \$14,300, with not a dollar's worth of interest paid upon the loan.

While Berry's ingratitude to Guffey is not a matter of public concern, and is not a factor in the present political campaign, Berry's adherence to the Democracy, his intense loyalty to the Bryan leadership, is the subject of widespread comment.

## Could Not Stand Berry.

In this city, especially, Berry's nomination upon the independent ticket at once estranged thousands from that movement who might under certain conditions have been inclined to favor an independent Republican for governor. Others who at first declined to say what attitude they would take in the campaign, have since come out squarely in favor of the full Republican ticket.

This was the logical outcome of the revelations as to Berry's financial dealings with Guffey, followed by Berry's erratic course upon the stump, his flamboyant and rambling oratory culminating in his sensational and uncalled for attack upon the newspaper men of the state simply because they published the facts relating to his getting money from Guffey, the same Guffey who was himself a heavy borrower from banks in Pittsburgh holding state funds, of which Berry was the custodian for the taxpayers, and Berry's gratuitous insult to every Republican in his public felicitations with the triumphant Democrats of Maine and his denunciation of the framers of the new tariff act, in which the industrial, farming and business interests and the welfare of every wage earner of the Keystone State were safeguarded by the two Republican United States senators and all of the Republican members of the lower house from Pennsylvania.

Berry's admission at a public meeting here "that there was not a dollar in the treasury of the Keystone Party" simply emphasized the fact that substantial men, men of affairs, property owners and business men, to whom the importance of electing a safe and sane man to the governorship appeals most strongly, will have nothing to do with his candidacy or the hybrid combination of disappointed and cast-off politicians back of the Keystone Party.

## Desertions on Every Side.

Berry talks and acts like a man who knows he has not got a chance to win the governorship. He admitted in his West Philadelphia speech last week that when he accepted the nomination he had no idea of being elected.

Developments since the Keystone ticket was put in the field all show that his candidacy has been constantly getting weaker rather than stronger. Desertions of independent Republicans and Democrats from the Berry movement are noted every day. Resignations from Keystone Party committees are being announced on every hand, and newspapers which gave encouragement to his cause at the outset have since either turned in for Teller, the Republican, or Grinn, the regular Democratic nominee.

While Berry still declares he is a Democrat, there are not a half dozen Democratic newspapers in the state now favoring his election, and there are about a like number of so-called independent newspapers for him.

Saturday Night  
Talks By Rev. F. E. DAVISON  
Rutland, Vt.THE GREATEST FOE OF THE  
KINGDOM.

International Bible Lesson for Sept. 25, '10—(Col 5: 15-26)

Drunkness is a world wide vice. Ever since fruit ripened and grapes and apples grew and fermented the nations have indulged in strong drink. Noah was a preacher of righteousness, but in a world where there was at least no lack of water he got drunk upon wine. And the whole human race has come staggering and reeling down the ages, inebriation having introduced another deluge of alcohol.

The Bible is dramatic with the story of the evil effects of drunkenness as seen in the history of individuals, tribes and nations, and it thunders its warnings against the use of strong drink. So universal has this plague become that multitudes of children are born with an appetite for liquor that they inherit from a drunken ancestry. They are nursed on a black bottle. Their first step out of the cradle is toward the dram shop. They take to alcohol as other children do to milk. They are born drunkards. A great army of men and women is marching on in all lands who have had bequeathed to them by generations of ancestors, evil habits, fiery appetites, destroyed reputation, signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of the harpies of hell.

## Slavery of Appetite.

Society punishes such people with pains and penalties, because it is impossible for them to do what those who have not had their inheritance are able to do, avoid the temptation to drink. Other men can totally abstain, or drink with moderation all through life and never become intoxicated. But one taste of alcohol to these victims of hereditary appetite is like a spark in a powder magazine. There is no power on earth to prevent its blowing up. They will drink though they are assured they will die in five minutes. Though the cup be beaded with the tears of wife and children, though the froth of everlasting anguish floats on the brim, they will drink to their wife's shame, to their children's rags, to their barren homes, to their wind-swept, bramble-covered graves, to disgust of the world, and eternal oblivion.

What does the ordinary person know of appetite like this? Absolutely nothing. Therefore we hurl epithets at drunkards, and throw them into vile places of detention not fit for swine to inhabit in many cases, and drag them before police judges and sentence them to jail for days and weeks and months,—and license establishments in every city and town to cater to that appetite and fatten on the depravity which burns in the breasts of these unfortunates. Instead of making it hard for these victims of ancestral sin to do wrong and easy for them to do right, we build for them a toboggan chute to hell and lubricate the way to expedite their passage. Society gets nervous if there is a stagnant pool of water in the neighborhood to breed a few mosquitoes, but deliberately permits alcoholic cesspools, steaming with miasma, polluting the air with a moral pestilence.

## Run An Anarchist.

We hear a great deal in these days about the enemies of the laboring man. Labor is vociferously crying out against oppression from one source or another, and some of it is wise and some is otherwise. But when did labor organizations pass resolutions against the workingman's worst enemy—strong drink. In nine cases out of ten when great calamities befall—rum is at the bottom of it. The mind is clouded, the eyes are blurred, the hand trembles and a disaster follows that shocks the nation. What is the reason that so many men live in cheerless homes, and are obliged to wear shoddy, and their wives never have but one dress, and their children go barefooted and ragged? Look in the saloon keepers till you will see your answer. Rum bills have to be paid, the grocer, the baker, the clothier must take what is left.

Rum is the anarchist of the centuries, and it has boycotted the body and soul of American labor. It annually swindles industry out of a large per cent of its wages. It halts the mechanic and the operative on his way to work in the morning, during the noon intermission, and on his return to his cheerless home at night. And in the evening the dram shop is all aglitter with radiance, vocal with music, seductive with companionship, "the poor man's club." It is indeed a "club," pounding out his money, his character, his reputation, his life. If the money which has gone across the saloon keeper's bar in the last fifty years had been properly used by the toilers of this country, every workingman could have had a house, and every garden could have been filled with fruits and flowers, every workingman's wife and sons and daughters could have been well-clothed, well-fed, well-schooled, and not only the necessities, but the luxuries of life could have been theirs. If the workingmen of the country will proclaim a strike against their old and inveterate enemy—rum, within the next twenty years prosperity will come to this country such as the nation has never known.

## Candidates On the Go.

The itinerary of the Republican state candidates this week takes them to the picnic of the Patrons of Husbandry, at Center Hall, Center county; the convention of the State League of Republican Clubs, at Pottsville; then to Reading and to the opening meeting of the campaign in Lehigh county, near Allentown.

State Chairman Henry F. Walton says he is determined to have the candidates visit every county in the state, and in order to do this they will be kept constantly on the go from now until election day.

This year the progressive western end of the state has been recognized in the selection of the party's standard bearer, and within the last few days there has been an exhibition of appreciation of this fact in a remarkable demonstration in honor of Mr. Teller by his admirers in Charleroi and surrounding towns representing all shades of political opinion and religious belief, and in tributes of esteem from the toilers of Pittsburg and vicinity.

## His Exact Weight.

Angler (who is telling his big fish story)—What weight was he? Well, they hadn't right weights at the inn, but he weighed exactly a flatiron, two eggs and a bit of soap.—Punch.

## Art Today.

"She is being fitted for the stage."  
"Studying hard, I presume?"  
"Oh, no; just being fitted with the necessary gowns."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## The Dixon Line.

Thomas Dixon, Jr., who has been at various times a lawyer, member of the North Carolina legislature, preacher, author, and dramatist, had a hard time getting his first book, "The Leopard's Spots," published. The firm which finally got the book out at first refused it, and wrote Dixon a curt letter to that effect.

He sat down and wired a member of the firm:

"I expect to be in the business of writing books for some time. If, on mature deliberation, you do not want the book, please return the manuscript immediately. If you want it, all right."

The man who got the telegram read the book that afternoon and accepted it by wire.

## How to Clean Up Congress.

In the effort to make sure that Congressmen shall actually represent the interests of their constituents, who literally hire them as delegates at Washington for that purpose, Frederic C. Howe in Everybody's argues the adoption of the system of heckling which has been so effective in England. This means merely that the voter should ask the candidate how he stands on certain well-defined issues, and thereby discover whether he expects to represent the people's interests or the interests. Everybody's Magazine suggests a list of issues for the purpose, and offers to send printed forms to those who would like to use them in such a cause.

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