

# WANT 11 NEW LAWS

## The Investigating Committee Makes Its Report.

### PLANS TO STOP BRIBERY.

Assembly Is Urged to Adopt an Amendment to New York Penal Code—Would Also Put an End to Insurance Rebates.

Albany, Feb. 1.—The legislative investigating committee, of which Edwin A. Merritt, Jr., of the assembly is chairman, submitted its report to the legislature today. The resolution creating the committee provided for a report upon Jan. 15. An extension until Feb. 1 was granted by resolution adopted in both branches Jan. 15.

The report covers 288 typewritten pages and is divided into six parts. The first five deal with the evidence taken at the hearings concerning corrupt practices in connection with legislation and set forth the salient facts established by the evidence.

The conclusions reached by the committee with reference to the different subjects of corruption investigated are set forth in various subdivisions in the nature of findings. The report upon this branch of the subject concludes with some observations with relation to legislative practices and the difficulty of exposing legislative corruption, which it appears to the committee results largely from the failure of legislators to immediately make known any attempts made to bribe them.

The committee recommends the passage of an amendment to the penal law compelling any member of the legislature to report at once to either house and to the district attorney of the county any attempt to bribe or improperly influence his vote.

Failure to do so is made punishable by imprisonment for not more than ten years or by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or both, together with forfeiture of office and disqualification from ever holding any office in the state.

Eleven proposed laws are submitted with the report, which constitute the last section of the document. In addition to the proposed act providing for immediate notification of attempted bribery there are ten bills affecting fire insurance. One measure places rate making associations and organizations, including the New York Fire Insurance exchange, under the control and supervision of the state superintendent of insurance.

There is also an anti-rebate bill which prohibits the sharing of premiums and makes it a misdemeanor to give or accept rebates. The bill follows the lines of the present law relating to life insurance premiums. Another measure provided that fire insurance companies shall report to the state superintendent of insurance the amount of insurance issued by them in the congested value sections of all the large cities in the country. Provision is made in another bill for the admission to New York state of the New England Factory Mutual Insurance companies under the supervision of the state superintendent of insurance.

Another bill provides for the organization of new fire and inter-insurance organizations. The bill compels all such associations to have a guarantee fund of \$200,000 in addition to the unearned premium fund, as is now provided by law. Another of the insurance bills creates the office of state fire marshal, with sweeping powers for inspection of property and investigation of fires. He is to have two deputies. Fire marshals in cities and fire chiefs in smaller communities are made his assistants.

The legislative investigating committee includes in its membership Edwin A. Merritt, Jr., chairman; Alexander Brough, vice chairman; Victor M. Allen, Robert F. Wagner, William W. Colne, Frederick R. Toombs, Frank L. Young, James A. Foley, M. Linn Bruce, chief counsel; Alfred Hurrell, assistant counsel, in charge of fire insurance matters; Isidor J. Kresel, assistant counsel, in charge of corrupt practices; Professor Albert W. Whitney, actuary; L. H. Conant and Marvyn Scudder, accountants, and George M. Shotwell, stenographer.

The committee was organized on July 8, 1910. The first public session was held on Sept. 7, 1910. All told there were forty-two public meetings. The witnesses examined numbered 184. The testimony covered 5,500 pages of oral evidence and 1,500 pages of documentary evidence. The public hearings ended Jan. 6, 1911.

## MME. BERNHARDT

Philadelphia Bars Her Opera Because of Ministers.



Philadelphia, Feb. 1.—Mme. Sarah Bernhardt will not present "La Samaritaine" during her stay in this city. The ministerial forces which have been protesting against the impersonation of Christ on the stage have won their battle. Director Clay has informed an attorney for the theater owners that if an attempt is made to present the drama he will send police to the playhouse to close the doors. He was informed that no attempt would be made to put on the play.

### BLIND GIRL STILL HOPEFUL.

Margaret Shipley Thinks She Will Eventually Enjoy Her Sight.

Pittsburg, Feb. 1.—Though Margaret Shipley, the McKeesport blind girl who has been heralded as a "second Saviour," who was to evangelize the world, heal the sick and lame and perform other wonderful manifestations, who has been fasting for eight days in the belief that at the expiration of that time her eyesight would be restored, is disappointed that the miracle she expected did not materialize at the expiration of her fast, she is still buoyed up by the sublime hope that the Lord in his wisdom has seen fit to withhold the light from her eyes for a longer period and that she will eventually enjoy the fullness of the promise she says was made through a strange revelation a few days ago.

Those who believed with Miss Shipley were much disappointed, while the skeptics laughed heartlessly.

### WANT STATION REMOVED.

Railroad Refuses to Pay Him \$18 Damages For Burning Carriage.

Utica, N. Y., Feb. 1.—Because a locomotive dropped a spark into a baby carriage Mrs. Irving Fields left standing just outside the station at Altmar and it was subsequently reduced to ashes the New York Central may have to move its station in that village. Fields put in a claim for \$18 damages. The Central refused to pay. Then Fields brought suit, and in getting up evidence it was found that the Central's station in Altmar is on village property.

This means that the company probably will have to pay for the baby carriage, and Fields has already brought another suit as a taxpayer to compel the removal of the building.

### DIX AT CHARITY BALL.

General Grant Also Attends For the Benefit of Hospital.

New York, Feb. 1.—The Charity ball for the benefit of the New York Nursery and Child's hospital was given at the Waldorf-Astoria. There were 2,700 guests, and it is estimated that \$19,000 was cleared.

The opening march was led by Governor John A. Dix and Mrs. Dix. Others in line were his staff in uniform. Major General Frederick Dent Grant and officers from Governors Island, Admiral E. H. C. Lentz, commandant at the Brooklyn navy yard, and other naval officers.

## AT THE MATINEE.

Noted Opera Singer as She Appears Off the Stage.

### THE RUSSIAN ORCHESTRA.

A Craft That Calls Real Artists to Do Its Work—Motives Borrowed From Our Own Roadside and Fields Instead of From Foreign Museums.

Dear Elsa—Don't you like to see noted opera singers off the stage where you can get them at close range and feel that they are really human and not some impersonation of the brain of Wagner, Puccini or some other great composer? I do, and this week I had the pleasure of sitting next to Geraldine Farrar at a matinee performance of the Imperial Russian Balalaika orchestra, and what a delight it was to listen to its strange and beautiful music! But to describe Farrar:

She is just as lovely off the stage as on and looks exactly like her pictures. What did she wear? A charmingly simple empire frock of black crepe de chine with yoke and very high collar of a creamy pin dotted net, and let me say in passing that this net is the smart thing to use for yokes this winter. Setting off her fair beauty to perfection were six strands—I counted them for your benefit—of magnificent pearls, small gems, but of wonderful



FROCK SHOWING MODISH MINGLING OF CHIFFON FUR AND EMBROIDERY.

luster, being about the neck in close fitting rows. What fascinated me most was the arrangement of her blond hair that seemed to be a soft mass of puffs that were not puffed, if you can understand this contradiction of terms, and curls that did not curl, clinging closely to the contour of the head. A long fur coat of skunk and a muff of black lynx—yes, I mean that the pelts did not match, for Paris this winter has declared in favor of the fur coat and coat trimmings that are different from the muffs carried with them—had an odd misfit appearance that is not attractive, but it is a charmingly economical way to use up one's odds and ends of small fur pieces.

To come back to the prima donna, her hat was a cap—now, how is that for a fashion description, but really the modes are so complex and interchangeable that one has to use them in this absurd way—of black velvet, with a puffed crown, and a narrow band of skunk fur held the velvet frill about the face. Between the intermissions her escort, an opera impresario, and Farrar studied a music score. I could hear her softly hum a line or two and say when she finished: "That's how I'm going to interpret it. How do you like it?"

I have given Farrar the center of the stage, but she paled into insignificance when the Russian court orchestra was playing. It is wonderful and has been the musical sensation of the season here in New York. Mr. Andreeff, the leader, a Svengali-like looking creature, seemed to move as if by command of the czar or on pain of instant execution if he turned on his conductor's box in a less mechanical manner to acknowledge the appreciation of the audience. But why cavil at a mannerism? The conducting was all that one could wish. The instruments used by the players were peculiar pipes producing sweetly melancholy sounds the domra, dulcimer and the balalaika which gives the orchestra its name and seems to take the place in numbers and in tone value of the violin in our own orchestra.

I know how interested you are in the mandolin, and this weird, wonderful music would have appealed to you for the balalaika is related in sound to both the mandolin and to the zither families. It has a triangular body

and a long slender neck. The musical numbers were chief Russian peasant songs, although the players are able to produce music by great masters most artistically. A butterfly waltz given was the impersonation in sounds of the flittings and final flight of these beautiful winged insects. It always hurts me to call them by this name, for they have soared so high above the grub state—indeed, one could actually feel the butterflies sipping honey from the rose and could imagine them discussing in epicurean fashion the delicious flavors.

### Real Art in Handmade Jewelry.

To change the subject, have I told you about the exquisite Christmas gift Dorothy D. made for me? Well, I really haven't had much time, for the holidays are just past, and I am still lost in admiration of my beautiful hair decoration. Dorothy is an expert craftsman in this work, and like all members of the new cut, she is going to nature as an inspiration for her designs. The best workers nowadays are not going to Italy, Egypt or the orient for their motives, but are finding them in the fields, along the roadsides and on the seashore.

The beautiful wild carrot or Queen Anne's lace is the motif for my charming piece of hand wrought jewelry. It is a sort of low tiara that any American woman could wear without being accused of a longing for strawberry leaves and a ducal coronet. Only a true lover of nature could have made the design, for even the inconspicuous little garnet flower characteristic of the wild carrot umbel has not been forgotten.

I have a passion for this sort of jewelry and can never resist a display of the work. In a case devoted to handmade jewelry in a small but very exclusive Fifth avenue shop there is a plaque pendant designed by a well known artist which is a joy to every trained eye that sees it. The plaque is of opalescent blue and green enamel subtly suggesting seaweed in the partial relief of the design. The very breath of old ocean is in the trinket.

When I give you the recipe you want for grapefruit salad I'll excuse you from further friendly torture. Here's for the grapefruit: Remove the pulp of the fruit and arrange it on lettuce leaves and then mix the juice of the fruit with a light French dressing of oil and vinegar and pour it over the pulp. Garnish with romaine or pimento olives. Simple and delicious! Lovingly yours, MABEL.

### Bargain Papering.

A young woman who thinks she cannot repair her room this season because she cannot afford it should make sure that cost is prohibitive before resigning herself to dirt.

One girl has just papered a bedroom charmingly at a total cost of less than \$3. Reading of bargains in wall paper one day, she noticed some that were reduced to a cent or two a roll.

Her family insisted the results would be dreadful, but the selection was made of a nice quality of figured cream ceiling paper at a cent a roll for the walls and a narrow rose border at 2 cents a yard.

The border was cut out by the girl herself and run at top of room and down the sides of each corner.

The paper was put on by a country paperhanger, a friend of the cook, at much less than the usual rates. It would have been possible to have done the papering oneself, but the work is not likely to give satisfaction, though many women are fairly skilled paper-hangers.

Most stores have bargains in paper, though few as cheap as the one described. By taking advantage of them a room can be freshened for a surprisingly small sum of money.

### To Stop Cough in Church.

Every woman has experienced the mortification of one of those expiring, hacking little coughs which tickle the throat and seem to grow worse the more one tries to overcome them.

They always come upon one just at a time when the kindly cough drop has been left at home and it is impossible to procure the saving sip of water.

Many a woman has hastily left her seat in a church with a red face and the echo of a hacking little cough following her down the aisle and into the vestibule when the trouble might have been conquered in a very simple way.

A cough drop is not at all essential to the stopping of a tickling cough. A bit of paper torn from the corner of a hymn book leaf or any available pamphlet or leaflet will answer quite as well as the bit of honorbound or licorice, for the action of the throat muscles in masticating the bit of paper and the consequent flow of saliva soon eases the cough, and by the time the paper is reduced to a pulp the cough will have ceased and one's nervousness will be entirely gone.

### Ribbon Neckwear.

Mademoiselle of the slender purse may contrive all sorts of clever things at little cost this season, for neckwear of ribbon is very fashionable and easily made if one has deft fingers.

Little pesky bows of two colored ribbons or Persian ribbons may readily be made. These may be worn with stiff collars or pinned to collar of a lingerie or silk blouse.

Rabats, too, are made of ribbon, closely plaited ends, with a bow at the top.

These things may be made from little pieces of silk or ribbon, not expensive to buy and usually to be found in the workbasket at home.

So, you see, sometimes fashion is kind to the girl with the limited income.

## THE TONGS AT WA.

### Opium Raids May Lead to Reopening Hostilities.

### SAY BOSTON TIPPED IT OFF.

The On Leongs Blame Four Brothers For Activity of Customs Officials and Chinatown May Again Be Battleground of Factions.

New York, Feb. 1.—The arrest Monday night of Charley Boston, otherwise Li Quong Jong, which was made in Chinatown on a warrant charging him with concealing smuggled opium, has ruptured the newly sealed peace pact between the tongs, and the New Year's festival now proceeding in the Chinese quarter will be the truce preceding hostilities.

This is because the wealthy and influential members of the On Leong tong believe that Charley Boston's part in the secret opium traffic was betrayed to the customs authorities by the Four Brothers clan and that the present investigation was thereby instituted.

Not only was Charley Boston involved in the betrayal, so it was learned from a trustworthy source, but the tipping off of the federal authorities was due to jealousies between the members of an opium ring because Boston had presumed to dictate in the circle of the illicit traffickers on account of his boasted pull with certain police officials in this and other cities and he insisted in taking to himself the major portion of the retail trade in the drug in New York city.

This was more than a month ago and just before two members of the Chinese embassy in Washington came here and had representatives of the On Leong tong and Four Brothers society sign an eternal peace treaty.

If the struggle between the tongs is renewed it will be bitter, for the Four Brothers society is believed to be out to secure a hand in the opium business, once having displaced Charley Boston and his majority. The trade in the drug brings far richer fruits than did the old gambling privilege, which used to be the perpetual cause of war between the On Leongs and the Hip Sing tong.

Charley Boston appeared before Commissioner Shields to answer to the charge of keeping smuggled opium, which had been sworn to by Acting Deputy Surveyor Isaac Harris. Bail was set at \$2,500, which was paid, and Feb. 6 was set as the date for the hearing.

### SHEEHAN 12 VOTES SHORT.

Murphy and Dix Confer and It is Thought About Settlement.

Albany, Feb. 1.—Again on the eleventh joint ballot of the legislature there was no choice for a United States senator. On this ballot William F. Sheehan was twelve votes short of election and his nearest competitor, Edward M. Shepard, eighty four votes short of election. There were fifteen absentees because of illness and pairs.

Before going to New York Governor Dix had a talk with Charles F. Murphy and Assemblyman Shortt of Richmond, one of the latter day insurgents. Mr. Shortt attended the joint caucus and on several ballots voted for Mr. Sheehan. While neither the governor nor Mr. Murphy cared to say what actually transpired between them, the feeling is that the senatorship will be eventually settled according to party usage.

Senator Roosevelt and several of his friends in the insurgent camp continued to reiterate that under no circumstances would they vote for Mr. Sheehan.

### YOUNG JAY GOULD TO WED.

Engagement to Miss Anna D. Graham Will Be Announced Feb. 7.

New York, Feb. 1.—It is learned that at the wedding reception of Miss Vivien Gould and Baron Decies Feb. 7 it is planned to announce the engagement of Jay Gould, youngest son of George Gould, and Miss Anna Douglas Graham of 15 West Sixty-seventh street. The wedding will take place in June.

Young Gould's fiancée is the daughter of Mrs. Hubert Vos, wife of the famous portrait painter. By marrying Miss Graham, Jay Gould goes his sister one better and marries into a royal family instead of mere nobility. The royal family in question is not now a reigning family. It is the royal family of Hawaii. Mrs. Vos, Miss Graham's mother, was before she married Douglas Graham the Princess Kalki Inai.

### SHIP SINKS IN STORM.

All Hands Reported Lost When Sailing Vessel is Wrecked.

London, Feb. 1.—A violent north-west gale is sweeping along the channel coast, and the coast guards report an unknown ship ashore between Kingsdown and Walmer. A sailing vessel is reported wrecked off Goodwin sands. All hands are lost.

### New York Broker Dies in Dublin.

Dublin, Feb. 1.—Andrew Phillips, a real estate broker of New York, died suddenly in this city. Mr. Phillips was the plaintiff in an action which was being heard in a court here concerning an automobile collision.

## PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

Attorneys-at-Law.

H. WILSON, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW. Office adjacent to Post Office in Dimmock office, Honesdale, Pa.

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F. P. KIMBLE, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW. Office over the post office, Honesdale, Pa.

M. E. SIMONS, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW. Office in the Court House, Honesdale, Pa.

PETER H. LOFF, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW. Office—Second floor old Savings Bank building, Honesdale, Pa.

SEARLE & SALMON, ATTORNEYS & COUNSELORS-AT-LAW. Offices lately occupied by Judge Searle.

CHESTER A. GARRATT, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW. Office adjacent to Post Office, Honesdale, Pa.

## Dentists.

DR. E. T. BROWN, DENTIST. Office—First floor, old Savings Bank building, Honesdale, Pa.

DR. C. R. BRADY, DENTIST, Honesdale, Pa. Office Hours—8 m to 8 p. m. Any evening by appointment. Citizens' phone, 33. Residence, No. 86-X.

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### TALE OF THE WEATHER.

Observations of the United States weather bureau taken at 8 p. m. yesterday follow:

Temp.	Weather.
New York . . . . . 28	Cloudy
Philly . . . . . 18	Clear
Pitt City . . . . . 28	Cloudy
Albany . . . . . 20	Cloudy
Scranton . . . . . 20	Snow
Watkinsville . . . . . 42	Cloudy
Buffalo . . . . . 56	Clear
Chicago . . . . . 30	Clear
St. Louis . . . . . 30	Snow

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