

## RELIEF FOR A BOY MURDERER

No Pardon, Only More Freedom, For Jesse Pomeroy.

THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS IN CELL

Case Remarkable in Criminal History. When Fourteen Years Old He Killed a Boy and a Girl—His Youth Saved Him From the Death Penalty—Women Urged Executive Clemency.

Jesse H. Pomeroy, known for almost four decades as "the boy murderer" and held by an earlier generation to be the most desperate criminal abnormality of the age, is soon to leave his cell for greater freedom in the state prison at Charlestown, Mass., after having spent thirty-seven years in solitary confinement.

Governor Foss, impressed by evidences submitted to him from many sources of the great change in Pomeroy's character, has decided to allow the life convict to enjoy many of the liberties granted well behaved prisoners.

Governor Foss will never grant Pomeroy a full pardon, and it is generally believed no other governor ever will take such action, but to give the man who has inspired dread in the hearts of even his keepers ever since the day when as a fourteen-year-old boy he was thrust into a "punishment" cell in the Charlestown prison any portion of the freedom enjoyed by tractable convicts is considered evidence of a transformation in the criminal's makeup.

Governor Foss' determination to do what many of his predecessors have refused to do in the face of prayerful petitions signed by women in all parts of the country is set forth in a letter he has sent to John Ernest Warren, librarian of the American Dramatists' club of New York. Warren, who was a playmate of Pomeroy, recently made an eloquent plea in behalf of his life-long friend, and Governor Foss in his reply made known that Warren's presentation of the facts had much to do with his reaching his decision.

But Pomeroy's greatest champion has been his mother, now a sad faced, white haired woman nearing her seventh year. Although denied even the right to see her son and having to accept the truth of the fact that he was regarded all over the civilized world as the most atrocious example of a wanton murderer, his mother never faltered in her faith in his innate goodness nor forsook for a moment her plan to gain for him his freedom. At each holiday season, on Thanksgiving and Christmas, as well as on his own birthday, she has gone to the prison with a big basket of good things to eat, and it is she also who has kept him supplied with current magazines and books.

Pomeroy killed two children, a boy and a girl, after treating them with barbaric cruelty. He inveigled other children into isolated sections, stripped them of their clothing, tied them to trees or upon boards and then beat them until they were unconscious. He delighted in sticking pins into their unconscious forms and cut them deeply with a knife. When this juvenile monster, then fourteen years old, was finally run down and captured he barely escaped lynching. His youth alone saved him from the death penalty.

### "COMPLEXION ROOM."

It is Designed to Make All Women Diners Look Beautiful.

One of the big Chicago hotels is making a bid for women patrons through the novelty of a "complexion room."

No matter whether the fair diner's big hat is crowning a medley of jet black rats, puffs and real hair or whether her dome is topped with a bunch of drug store straw, the coiffure will look stunning in the complexion room. No matter whether the roses on the cheeks were procured at the corner chemist's or whether her countenance in general is of the "marble" variety, she will "get away with it" in the complexion room. Said the president:

"You know that certain colorings, decorations, wall paper and floor coverings will set off to disadvantage some complexions, especially by candlelight or at night, making them look far from handsome. We will overcome this and make the cafe a veritable complexion room that will enhance the beauty, natural or artificial, of any woman."

### ECCENTRIC WOMAN DEAD.

Lived With a Hundred Dogs—Wore Mourning When One Died.

The rich and eccentric Mrs. Sarah E. Gabbett of Atlanta, Ga., who was known as the "Irish peeress," is dead at the age of seventy-seven.

Before her marriage she was a Miss Richardson, daughter of a physician of Savannah. Her husband, Henry G. Gabbett, was said to be an Irish nobleman who had sworn never to live under British rule.

Mrs. Gabbett kept more than a hundred dogs in her mansion. She dressed in costly attire and made a great display of jewels. When a dog died she went into mourning.

## SCALP SEEKING IN THE THROES

Congress Probe Rent, and Its Members Yearn For Target.

WITH twenty-four separate investigations now under way before special and standing committees of the house of representatives and the nine members of President Taft's cabinet in demand as witnesses in connection with Democratic attacks upon the Republican administration official Washington is in the throes of a party probe such as has not been seen before in nearly forty years. At that time when the first Democratic congress since the civil war was enjoying power the Democrats turned loose with inquisitorial powers, just as they have in the present special session, the committee on expenditures in the executive departments and other special probing committees.

A reign of terror was created in the national capital, and as a result of the investigations Secretary of War Belknap was impeached, jobs were abolished, salaries reduced and a big cut was made in the actual expenditures.

### Biggest Sensation Promised.

To accept the word of some of the house Democrats just now one would get the idea that the big storm of nearly forty years ago was merely a zephyr to the cyclone that is gathering as a result of the labors of the present probe. As a matter of fact, however, the Democrats were exceedingly discouraged up to a few days ago at the lack of success that had attended their labors in the probing line.

Most of them had been confident that after sixteen years of Republican "misrule," as they are pleased to call it, almost any committee not too much hampered by a sense of fairness and actuated largely by a desire to stir up stuff suitable for campaign material could acquire great merit in a short time. But as a matter of fact the steel and sugar special committees and the committee on expenditures in the state department were the only three that up to recently had managed to stir up sufficient interest to secure any considerable amount of publicity, and in this connection it should not be overlooked that the steel and sugar committees have had big men prominent in the public eye before them, while the state department committee managed to discover that \$1,600 was mishandled in the state department in 1909 under a now obsolete system of book-keeping.

But the cropping out of the Wiley controversy and the charges against President Taft and Attorney General Wickersham growing out of the Controller Bay and Alaska syndicate propositions have given the Democrats renewed hope of stirring up something of sufficient size to assist in making a campaign against the present administration.

### List of Investigations.

Ignoring the Lorimer inquiry at the senate end of the capitol, here are the investigations authorized by the house which are now under way: Steel trust, Controller Bay land tangle, Indian land scandals, trust busting expenditures, Foster big fee case, effort to oust Dr. Wiley, threatened extinction of Pribilof seal herd, government of the District of Columbia, irregularities at Washington navy yard and alleged general extravagance in naval service, alleged persecution of Lewis publications, railway mail service trouble, alleged favoritism shown to Major Ray of the army and other charges.

Extravagance in the United States army, charges against Attorney General Wickersham in connection with Alaska syndicate frauds, parcels post proposition and other postal service matters, fire protection in government buildings and governmental methods of constructing public buildings, violations of civil service law, creosote un-

### HOW TO BE HAPPY IN BOSTON

Eat Beans, Read Emerson and Carry a Green Bag.

How to be happy though living in Boston or its suburbs is exemplified by a writer in the Christian Register, a Unitarian weekly. The things one must have, must do and must be are listed below in part:

Eat beans Saturday night and fish-balls Sunday morning.

Select the Puritans for your ancestors.

Have a sheltered youth and be a graduate of Harvard.

Read Emerson.

Have a profession or literary calling.

Speak low.

Be a conservative in politics and a liberal in religion.

Drop your r's.

Be fond of the antique.

Wear glasses and be fond of tombstones.

Carry your parcels in a green bag.

Be a D. A. R., a Colonial Dame or a S. A. R. or belong to the Mayflower society.

Be neighborly to the unmarried.

Shudder at the west, but go to Europe frequently.

## STATESMEN ARE OF MUCKRAKING

Nine Cabinet Officers Witnesses In Twenty-four Investigations.

dervinations, government's rental of the Union building, recoveries on sugar frauds, irregularities in the custom service.

### Jealousy Among Chairmen.

The success of a few of the committees in stirring up questionable propositions of popular interest and the non success of others have led to a good deal of jealousy among the chairmen of the many committees. For instance Representative Cox of Indiana, chairman of the house committee on expenditures in the treasury department, appealed to several newspaper men the other day to turn up something for him.

"I don't believe there is anything much wrong in the treasury department," he said in a discouraged tone "That is, our investigations so far haven't revealed anything. Can't you put me on to a good scandal or two?"

The newspaper men, confessing their inability to "produce," Mr. Cox looked over the field and decided to butt in on the activities of the committee on expenditures in the interior department which is investigating the Controller bay land tangle, by introducing a resolution asking President Taft to inform the house whether he was influenced by his brother, Charles P. Taft, or by any of the Guggenheim agents in throwing the Controller bay water from open to entry.

Being unable to get anywhere with this resolution, which will not be favorably reported, Mr. Cox decided to borrow a little of the glory of the Wiley inquiry from the committee on expenditures in the agricultural department, so he introduced a resolution asking how many kicks had been made against Dr. Wiley in recent years with the idea of showing that the interests are persecuting the government's expert. This immediately irritated Representative Moss of Indiana chairman of the agricultural expenditure committee, who had presented the subject himself.

In addition to this feud, the committees on military affairs and expenditures in the war department are now quarreling as to which shall investigate the case of Major Ray, who, it is contended, as a result of his close relations with President Taft during the 1908 campaign, has been shown favoritism in the army.

### Officials Kept In Town.

The big batch of investigations has resulted in keeping all the members of President Taft's cabinet in town. In deed, it has been many a day since the official family of any chief executive was ever so pestered.

Secretary of War Stimson expects to be called before the Hardwick special sugar committee and the house committee on expenditures in the department of justice to tell how it happened that after resigning as United States attorney for the southern district of New York he was employed by the department of justice as a special assistant and was paid a big fee for his work in recovering on undervaluations of sugar imports from the sugar trust.

Attorney General Wickersham has already testified before the committee on expenditures in the department of justice concerning the trust busting expenses of the government and is to be called by the house committee on judiciary to tell what he knows of the charges of Delegate Wickersham of Alaska that he favored the Alaska syndicate by permitting the statute of limitation to run when he had in his possession evidence of fraud.

Several other committees may also call Mr. Wickersham in connection with other allegations which have been made with other phases of the work of the department of justice.

### WOMEN'S FEET BIGGER.

Nos. 2 and 3 About Gone—Average Size Now is 4 to 5.

Women's feet are bigger than they used to be and still growing, say shoe manufacturers of America. A canvass of opinions among the dealers at a recent convention held in Boston revealed that the average size of shoes that women wear today is from 4 to 5, whereas twenty years ago the average was from 3 to 5. The No. 2 size in women's shoes has practically disappeared. Only one in twenty retailers handle them.

It was also said that many firms are sending their products out with a code number in place of the actual size number. Women refused to wear the number that fitted them. Now whatever size they ask for, whether it be 2, 4 or 6, the dealer gives them the shoe that fits them best, and he alone knows what size she wears.

Pavilion of Demography in Chile. The Chilean government has let the contract for the construction of the pavilion of demography of the Institute of Hygiene at Santiago, Chile, to Jose Junens at a cost of \$37,800 United States gold. The work is to be completed before the close of 1911.

## DEFENDS THE HOUSEFLY.

Expert Says It Warns That General Cleaning Up Is Needed.

The housefly is of extreme value as a danger signal to indicate the presence of insanitary conditions, and it is these conditions, and not the fly itself, against which we must wage war, according to Dr. E. Porter Felt, state entomologist of New York.

The expert makes clear his position on the fly question, saying:

"Few people know much about the fly controversy beyond the fact that the housefly is a carrier of the germs of certain diseases, such as typhoid fever, intestinal disorders and tuberculosis.

"The fly is man's good friend and a necessity, so long as man tolerates filthy or insanitary conditions. When man as an animal becomes a clean pig the flies will naturally disappear.

"I do not see much logic in the cry 'swat the deadly fly.' The cry should be 'swat the insanitary conditions that breed flies.' When man neglects to be clean, nature provides scavengers in the shape of flies to consume the dirt, the refuse and the disease growing matter.

"I believe that if the housefly were exterminated it would tend to upset the 'balance of nature' and result in some other plague that might be a thousand times worse than the flies could ever be.

"Similar things have happened before. The decimation of the coyotes resulted in a plague of gophers. The English sparrow was imported to destroy the mousing worm, and now people are wondering how to kill off the sparrow, which has increased so alarmingly as to become a pest.

"In the event of the disappearance of the housefly there is the possibility that the stable fly might become dominant and inflict more serious annoyance upon mankind and be vastly more efficient as a carrier of disease."

### Syndicate Controls Potash Industry.

Consul Talbot J. Albert of Brunswick states that the potassium syndicate is now in full control of the German potash industry, with the exception of the Schmidtman mines (Solidt and Ascherleben), which have their representatives in the United States, where the syndicate is also represented.

### New Railroad in Spain.

A concession has been granted to the Spanish Railway company (limited) for building a steam traction line 152 miles from Madrid to Utriel, province of Valencia. This will connect with the line from Valencia to Utriel and thus afford Madrid another direct line to the Mediterranean.

There is an oblique way of reproof which takes off from the sharpness of it.—Steele.

I. G. SIMONS, Sterling, Pa.



REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

Meteors and the Atmosphere. One of the most useful results arising from the study of sporadic meteors is the light thrown upon the question of the height of the atmosphere, since it is the friction of the air that sets them on fire, and if their elevation is known at the moment of their first appearance the probable height of the atmosphere can be calculated. On Aug. 11, 1900, a brilliant meteor happened to impress its picture simultaneously on three photographic plates, at Tashkend, Iskander and Tachingan, in Russian Turkestan. The distances between these places furnished base lines from which the height could be deduced. The calculation shows that the meteor first appeared at a height of 69.45 miles above the earth and disappeared at fifty miles.

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