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JOHN A. MCCALL'S NEW-YORK HOME, NO. 14 WEST 72d-ST.

ance. Thus in thirteen years he had risen from a clerkship to the highest place in the department. Governor Hill, who succeeded Governor Cleveland, offered Mr. McCall a reappointment, but he declined it to accept the controllership of the Equitable Life Assurance Society.

When in February, 1882, William H. Beers, president of the New-York Life Insurance Company, resigned, John A. McCall was chosen to fill the vacancy. His election was hailed with delight by the financial world, for the company was in an embarrassed condition at that time, and it was thought that the new president would be able to restore it to its former solid basis.

Shortly after his election, Hamilton rendered a decision in the case of the New-York Life and its trustees, and John A. McCall, as president of the company, had the center of the stage. What was disclosed in his testimony was a revelation to the public. While in the witness chair, Mr. McCall told how the New-York Life paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to a legislative agent to stop hostile legislation by dealing with "the best fellow he could find to produce results."

In the latter part of November, 1895, Mr. McCall had retained a legislative agent to fight federal legislation at Washington. Mr. McCall testified to receiving \$20,000 a year as his salary. On January 2, the trustees of the New-York Life met and unanimously accepted the resignation of John A. McCall as president of the company. Alexander E. Orr was elected to succeed him. The salary was cut to \$20,000 from the \$30,000 that Mr. McCall received. In his letter of resignation Mr. McCall said that he had always striven to protect the best interests of the policyholders and that no officer or trustee of the company had profited improperly while he was president to the extent of one dollar at the expense of the policyholders.

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ATTACK ON JEROME.

Rescue League President Defends Claiche Witness.

An attack on the police and on the District Attorney's office was made at the Jefferson Market Court yesterday by Mrs. Charlotte Smith, president of the Women's National and International Rescue League, while defending Mrs. Martha Francis, who had been arrested on a charge of bribery by Patrolman Mallam.

SIX BLOCKS BURNED.

Loss of \$750,000 in Business Portion of Rutland.

Rutland, Vt., Feb. 18.—Six large brick blocks in the business section of the city, occupied by nearly a score of firms and many smaller tenants, were destroyed by fire to-day. The loss is estimated at \$750,000. The fire went beyond the control of the local department, and help was summoned from Whitehall, N. Y., and Burlington. The Whitehall company refused the city in time to be of great assistance, but the Burlington company did not appear.

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VALENTINES IN POLITICS.

Veres on Deal Between Democrats and Negro Republican in Delaware Sent. Wilmington, Del., Feb. 18 (Special).—The deal between the six Democratic members of the Wilmington City Council and Thomas E. Postles, the colored Addicks Republican member of the same body, whereby they control all of the municipal offices, was re-echoed on St. Valentine's Day in an amusing way. The affair was kept quiet until to-day, when the details leaked out. It has caused a sensation.

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HEARST MEN TO ALBANY

Special Trainload Going to Defend Bills.

The Hearst forces will march on Albany to-morrow to advocate a number of bills, notably the Ryan-Belmont merger, the Direct Nominations bill, the Ballot Reform bill, the Pure Food bill, the Corrupt Practices bill and the Municipal Ownership bill. Mr. Hearst will be a member of the delegation, which will include clergymen, lawyers and business men.

A special train will leave the Grand Central Station at 8:30 a. m. and will return to the city about 9 p. m. The headquarters in Albany will be at the Ten Eyck Hotel. Addresses will be made before the legislative committee by speakers who are advocates of the measures in question.

HEARST HAS EYE ON INDIANAPOLIS.

Indianapolis, Feb. 18.—The Indiana Democrats, now that "The Sentinel" has passed to the owners of "The News," and they are without any organization, are looking to William H. Hearst to start a paper in this city. His representative was here yesterday looking over the field. It is believed here that Hearst intends to be a candidate for the Democratic Presidential nomination again.

MONT PELEE ACTIVE.

Castries, St. Lucia, Feb. 17.—The United States cruiser Denver, Commander J. C. Colwell, arrived here to-day from the island of Martinique. She reports that Mont Pelee was active when the Denver left Martinique.

THE EARTHQUAKE AT ST. VINCENT.

Kingstown, St. Vincent, Feb. 16.—The most severe and protracted shock of earthquake which has been experienced on this island since 1902 was felt at 1:40 o'clock p. m. to-day. A slighter shock occurred at 3 p. m. Buildings of every description were rocked violently and the people rushed from them to the streets. So far as has been ascertained, no serious damage resulted, but the cracking of walls of houses here, at Georgetown and elsewhere. A small landslide occurred at The Cedars, in the Windward District.

HONOR FOR A PATRIOT.

Body of James Wilson To Be Moved to Philadelphia. Philadelphia, Feb. 18.—The body of James Wilson, signer of the Declaration of Independence and one of the framers of the United States Constitution, and founder of the University of Pennsylvania Law School, after lying obscure and unhonored for 103 years in a little burying ground in Edenton, N. C., is to be brought to Philadelphia, where he lived and had his fame, and placed in the yard of the Old Christ Church.

The plan to bring the body to Philadelphia is not a new one. Ex-Judge Harry White, when he was in Congress from Indiana County years ago, spoke in the National Capitol urging that fitting honors be paid to the memory of Wilson. Afterward on the bench he offered extra salary, which he would not accept, to be devoted to a statue of the great lawyer, and still later brought the matter before the Pennsylvania Bar Association. Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, to whom more than to any other is perhaps due the credit of keeping the matter alive, finally, during the last year, organized a committee, and now all is in readiness for the actual removal of the body.

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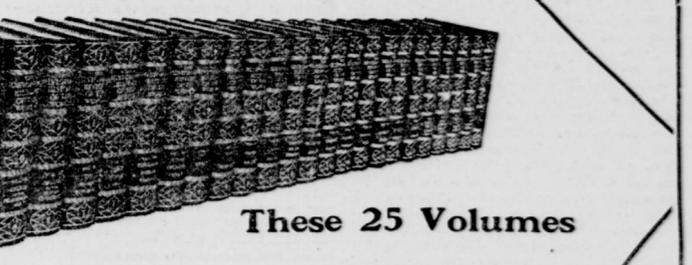
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MINERS CHARGE DELAY CONSIDER ARBITRATION.

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The anthracite miners' sub-committee of seven took up the question of amending the methods of arbitration of the conciliation board under the award of the Anthracite Strike Commission, yesterday, at the Ashland House. This question is considered second in importance only to the general eight hour demand for all the miners which it has been decided to make.

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C. F. U. WANTS BATTLESHIPS BUILT HERE

James Wilson, of the International Association of Machinists, brought up yesterday, at the Central Federation Union meeting the question of building battleships in the Brooklyn Navy Yard, instead of in private shipyards. He said the Connecticut was nearly completed at the navy yard, and if another battleship was started, a great many persons would be thrown idle. Resolutions were passed to be sent to the Navy Department, asking that the battleships be constructed at the navy yard. The socialist delegates objected to the resolution, declaring that battleships were only murder machines.

DESPONDENT BAKER KILLS HIMSELF.

Fastens Noose About His Neck and Slowly Chokes to Death. Bernard Parkony, a Bohemian baker, of No. 409 East 90th-st., killed himself by hanging yesterday. The man had been out of work for seven months, but, with his wife, was acting as janitor of the house in which they lived. Parkony was morose on Friday afternoon, and, leaving the house, told his wife she had better have a certain undertaker look for his body if he did not return. He returned, however, about 6:30 o'clock yesterday morning. He went to his room, removed his clothing, fastened to the bedstead a clothesline, and retired with a noose about his neck. The rope was not long enough to allow his head to reach the pillow, and in this way he slowly choked to death.

IMPORTANT DAY FOR HUNGARY.

Budapest, Feb. 18.—To-morrow bids fair to be a significant day in the conflict which the Hungarian people, represented by the parliamentary coalition, are waging against the throne for the recognition of constitutional liberty. Parliament will be dissolved by the Crown by force of arms, if necessary. The coalition has no programme of action. It is prepared to enter its protest in any way possible and has provided for all contingencies. The last meeting held by the party showed that its spirit was clearly for resistance. It was reiterated to-night that the government had brought a regiment of Rumanian troops to Budapest. If the resolution of Parliament will still be important for Hungary, for the Crown will have to call new elections, in which the coalition is fully confident of maintaining its majorities, or, failing to call the elections, it will mean the breaking of the Constitution by the King, which would cause the introduction of stern measures.

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