

**McCALL URGED TO QUIT BEFORE GOVERNOR ACTS**

Friends Anxious to Save Him from Ignominy of Removal.

**WILLIAMS AND WOOD ALSO SLATED TO GO**

Whitman Understood To Be Ready to Move as Soon as Charges Are Preferred.

(From a Staff Correspondent of The Tribune.)

Albany, Dec. 4.—Pressure of the strongest and most influential kind is being brought to bear on Edward E. McCall to induce him to resign as chairman of the Public Service Commission before Monday morning, when Governor Whitman will make known his decision on the charges of the Thompson committee against him. The Governor, according to persons in his confidence, has decided to remove McCall, and this information has been communicated to the Public Service Commission chairman through mutual friends.

Because of this, members of the chairman's immediate family and other relatives, it was learned to-day, have been doing their utmost to persuade him to accept the verdict and retire from the commission to avoid the ignominy of being removed by the Governor. McCall, it is understood, has shown no inclination to listen to the pleas of his family. He is said to be convinced that the Governor, if he does contemplate his removal, will weaken at the last minute and save him once more.

McCall, apparently, is the only one who shares this belief, at least so far as Albany is concerned. It is understood, however, that because of his long years of friendship for McCall the Governor finds it an unpleasant duty to take drastic action against him, and hopes to be relieved of the necessity of doing so by receiving the Public Service Commission chairman's resignation between now and Monday morning.

Goos Over Charges and Answer.

Before leaving for the Great Meadows prison, at Comstock, yesterday, Governor Whitman spent several hours going over the charges of the Thompson committee and McCall's answer to them, to satisfy himself that removal was the only decision he could make in the circumstances.

No confirmation could be obtained of the report that Postmaster Edward M. Morgan was being considered by the Governor for a place on the commission. In some quarters it was expected that friends of President Wilson were responsible for its circulation, the obvious purpose being to minimize the criticism which the President's failure to reappoint Mr. Morgan would arouse. Thus far, it is understood, Mr. Morgan's name has not been considered.

Governor Whitman, it became known to-night, has practically become convinced that George V. S. Williams and Robert Colgate Wood have lost their usefulness as members of the Public Service Commission, and their removal within the next fortnight is predicted. Charges against both are expected to be sent to the Governor by the Thompson Legislative Committee within a few days.

One of the chief reasons on which the removal of Williams will be asked is his opinion in the Kings County gas rate case, in which he has sustained the present rate of 95 cents a thousand cubic feet. This opinion has been held in abeyance by the commission at the request of the Thompson committee.

Oil Prices Considered.

In arriving at his decision Commissioner Williams testified that he had given much weight to an oil contract which the company had, although admitting that the price the company paid for this commodity was much higher than that paid by other gas companies in Brooklyn.

Commissioner Hayward, who is slated to succeed McCall as chairman, also wrote an opinion in this case, in which he recommended a rate of 85 cents, beginning January 1. Mr. Hayward testified that the oil contract looked suspicious to him, and that in fixing his rate he had taken the price paid by other companies. The difference between the two prices he said, made a difference of between 6 and 7 cents a thousand cubic feet.

The charges against Wood will be based primarily on his transfer of American Sanitary Supply Company stock to John A. Maher for \$1. Mr. Maher is the son of Edward A. Maher, vice-president and general manager of the Third Avenue Railway Company, and only a year previous to the transfer had sold the stock to Wood for \$5,000. The sanitary company was seeking contracts with the railroads for the installation of hot machines, from which one could get a clean towel for a nickel.

Senator Thompson is of the opinion

that the transfer of the stock was not a bona fide one.

The questions which the Governor asked at the hearing yesterday regarding the responsibility of the commissioners who voted to approve the sale of the 122 shares of Amsterdam stock to the Brooklyn Edison Company are believed to indicate that his mind is already made up so far as the removal of Commissioners Wood and Williams is concerned.

**DEAD AT 99, SAW LAFAYETTE**

Mrs. Holley Remembered Forty-second Street as a Cow Pasture.

Mrs. Adella Wyckhoff Holley, ninety-nine, who frequently told of seeing General Lafayette on his last visit to the United States, is dead at her home in Stony Point, Rockland County, from indigestion.

While she lived nearly to the century mark she retained strong eyesight to the last, reading the newspapers without the aid of glasses.

She was born in New York City, August 8, 1816. She saw cows browsing at Broadway and Forty-second Street. In 1836 she was married to Hiram Holley, and went to live on a farm near Fort Montgomery, which was afterwards bought by the late J. Pierpont Morgan for his summer place. Later she moved to Tompkins Cove, in Stony Point. Her husband died twenty-seven years ago. Of her twelve children only two outlived her, a son, Fernando, of New Britain, and Mrs. Jeremiah Lavender, who lived with her. Mrs. Holley was the oldest resident of Rockland County.

**SUBURBAN BURGLAR ESCAPES IN AUTO**

Outspeeds Police After Surprise in Mamaroneck House.

A porch climbing burglar, who since he began operations last spring, is believed to have stolen at least \$100,000 in jewelry and cash from the homes of wealthy residents in Mount Vernon, New Rochelle and along the North Shore, visited the home of Harvey Miller, an official of the Fairbanks Scales Company, on Stewart Avenue, Mamaroneck, on Friday night. He was chased by the police in an automobile but got away with \$35 and two diamond rings, worth \$1,000.

Mr. Miller, returning home, saw a light moving in an upper room and went to investigate. As he entered his wife's bedroom a man dropped a bundle of jewelry and pulling his coat half over his head, dived out of the window to the roof of a bay window and dropped to the ground. Then he disappeared around the home of J. R. Disleau, which faces Boston Road. A few seconds later an automobile was heard dashing west along Boston Road.

Mr. Miller telephoned to the police and Lieutenant Martin and Sergeant Reilly reached Boston Road in an automobile in time to see a high powered car dash by with a man and a woman in it. They chased the car several miles, but could not catch it.

**STOREKEEPER FOILS ROBBER**

Beaten on Head, He Helps Capture Assailant.

Joe Eagle was alone in his hat store at 337 State Street, Brooklyn, yesterday when a man entered and said he wanted to buy a hat. As Eagle turned to a shelf the stranger struck him on the head with a piece of lead.

The store proprietor swung around and seized his assailant by the collar, in spite of several blows. A struggle followed, in which the stranger succeeded in wiggling out of his overcoat and escaping.

A crowd, attracted by Eagle's cries, set out in pursuit, and Detectives Seery and Barry caught the fugitive.

He said he was Thomas Dempsey, of 113 Congress Street, Brooklyn. Dempsey was held on a charge of felonious assault and attempted robbery.

**TRY IT OUT ON APES**

Doctors Put Bad Specs on Monkeys to Show Effect of Poor Eyes.

Baltimore, Dec. 4.—Two monkeys at Johns Hopkins Hospital are being fitted with eyeglasses in an effort to discover a cure for various diseases of the human eye.

**IDA VON CLAUSSEN IN COURT**

Brother Begins Proceedings to Have Her Adjudged Sane.

Miss Ida Von Clausen, who was a source of annoyance to former President Theodore Roosevelt, was taken from the Middletown Insane Asylum to the Supreme Court in Nyack yesterday for a hearing in proceedings begun by her brother, Matthew Clausen, to have her adjudged sane. Miss Von Clausen sat in the back of the courtroom watching Justice Tompkins and Superintendent M. C. Ashley of the asylum. Once she started a buzz of conversation with spectators and the justice rapped for order.

A deputy from Attorney General Woodbury's office appeared to oppose her release. Justice Tompkins adjourned the hearing for ten days.

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A special offering for Monday will comprise

Women's Afternoon Dresses of satin combined with chiffon; in black, brown or navy (sizes 34 to 44 inches) . . . at \$28.00

**Women's Separate Skirts**

An extraordinary Sale for Monday will consist of

Women's Tailor-made Corduroy Skirts, at the remarkably low price of . . . \$4.75

**Dress and Skirt Lengths**

of the season's desirable fabrics, including wool velour, broadcloth, cheviot, homespuns and plaids, in the most fashionable colors, will be placed on sale Monday at unusual price concessions:

Skirt Lengths . . . \$2.50 to 5.00

Dress Lengths . . . 4.50 to 8.50

**Men's Balta Lace Shoes**

of imported patent leather, taken from the regular stock, will afford a special price advantage on Monday at . . . per pair \$5.50

**Men's comfortable House Slippers,**

in a variety of styles, may be obtained in the regular stock, at prices ranging from \$1.00 to 6.50. Christmas selections will be held for future delivery.

**The Blouse Department**

announces for initial display, new Models featuring a delicately woven fabric of opalescent tints, the effective combinations with which they are trimmed giving distinction to an unmistakably charming mode. These Blouses may be obtained in the following range of prices: \$8.25, 9.00, 9.75.

**The Baby's Boudoir**

Specially designed Nursery Furnishings may be found in a new and most attractive Department on the Fourth Floor (Madison avenue side of the store). Comfort, beauty and sanitation, essentials that go to the making of the ideal Boudoir of the modern baby, have been considered in the furniture of ivory-toned and white enamel, in the soft colors of silk tuftings, and in delicate bows of satin or silk, creating a combination that is practical, fascinating and luxurious.

All the requisites of the modern Nursery are shown in extensive assortments.

**An Eventful Sale of WOMEN'S AND MISSES' FURS AND FUR GARMENTS**

in the latest fashions for Winter will be held on **TUESDAY, December 7th**

This Sale, which is of great importance, presents for selection a wonderful variety of the choicest Furs, at prices that cannot fail to be of interest to those desiring the acquisition of modish garments, muffs and neckpieces.

Particularized are the following:

- Sports Coats of Hudson Seal . . . \$75.00
- Coats of Hudson Seal . . . 125.00 & 175.00
- Coats of Hudson Seal, trimmed with skunk, 225.00 & 250.00
- Coats of Karakul, skunk-trimmed, \$150.00, 190.00 & 225.00
- Coats of Persian Lamb, skunk-trimmed . . . 225.00

- | MUFFS   | NECKLACES           |
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| \$18.00, 25.00, 30.00 . . . Beaver . . . \$9.50, 11.50, 35.00   | 10.50, 16.50, 22.50 |
| 22.50, 32.00, 38.00 . . . Black Fox . . . 11.50, 18.00, 28.00   | 12.50, 13.50        |
| 22.50, 32.00, 38.00 . . . Smoked Fox . . . 21.00                | 21.00, 35.00        |
| 30.00, 45.00 . . . Kit Fox . . . 45.00                          | 15.00, 18.00, 35.00 |
| 21.00 . . . Natural Jap Fox . . . 35.00                         | 12.50, 18.00        |
| 45.00 . . . White Fox . . . 45.00                               | 9.75, 18.00         |
| 45.00 . . . Slate, Rose, or Dyed Blue Fox . . . 21.00           | 21.00               |
| 22.50, 35.00, 45.00 . . . Black Lynx . . . 9.00, 18.00          | 9.50, 18.00, 28.00  |
| 22.50 . . . Natural Lynx . . . 11.50, 15.00, 21.00              | 17.50, 22.50        |
| 18.00, 22.50 . . . Moleskin . . . 15.00                         | 10.50, 14.00        |
| 28.00 . . . Natural or Sabled Opossum . . . 11.50, 15.00, 22.50 | 11.50, 15.00, 21.00 |
| 11.00, 15.00, 22.50 . . . Natural Raccoon . . . 12.50           | 17.00, 21.00        |
| 21.00, 30.00, 38.00 . . . Skunk . . . 12.50                     | 12.50               |
| 14.00, 17.00 . . . Hudson Seal . . . 14.50                      | 7.50                |
| 12.50, 19.50 . . . Black Wolf . . . 7.50                        |                     |
| 17.00, 21.00 . . . Smoked Wolf . . . 7.50                       |                     |
| 12.50 . . . Dyed Blue Wolf . . . 7.50                           |                     |
| 14.50 . . . Rose or Natural Wolf . . . 7.50                     |                     |
| 7.50 . . . Persian Paw . . . 7.50                               |                     |

**MEN'S FUR-LINED AND FUR-TRIMMED CLOTH OVERCOATS**

will also be on sale at the same time, affording similar remarkable price advantages:

Men's Overcoats, of oxford cloth, and also of imported black broadcloth, lined with a superior quality of muskrat skins and finished with collar of Persian Lamb, Beaver or Hudson Seal, at the special price of . . . \$58.00 (Fur Department, Third Floor)

B. Altman & Co. have arranged to hold the following group of Special Sales on **Wednesday, December 8th**:

- Women's Glace Marvex Kidskin Gloves
- Women's Betalph Silk Hosiery
- Women's Balta Slippers, of patent or bronze kidskin at very unusual price concessions.

**THE SHOPPING LIST**

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| Men's Silk Shirt, satin striped, \$5.00             | Babies' Record Book . . . \$1.90                | Leather Wrist Bag, oval . . . \$3.50            |
| Men's Silk Four-in-hand Scarf, 1.50                 | Babies' Cashmere Afghan . . . 6.25              | Leather Envelope Purse, oval . . . 1.50         |
| Men's Silk Sweater . . . 25.00                      | Babies' Worsted Sackie . . . 1.75               | Bill and Card Case, pin seal . . . 2.00         |
| Men's Wool Sweater . . . 10.00                      | Babies' Silk Sweater . . . 5.25                 | Bill Fold of pin seal . . . 1.00                |
| Men's Fancy Waistcoat . . . 6.00                    | Babies' Worsted Sweater . . . 2.45              | Tourist Writing Case . . . 2.85                 |
| Men's Silk Hat . . . 6.00                           | Telephone Table . . . 10.00                     | Leather Frame, for photo 4x7, 3.50              |
| Men's Cape Gloves, per pair . . . 1.50              | Tennis Racket . . . 2.75                        | Brief Case of tan leather . . . 5.00            |
| Men's Leather Collar Bag . . . 1.00                 | Racket Cover, waterproof . . . .85              | Nest of Six Ash Trays . . . 4.00                |
| Men's Fitted Dressing Case . . . 4.85               | Golf Bag, canvas . . . 2.75                     | Novelty Ash Stand . . . 1.25                    |
| Boys' Bathrobe . . . 3.50                           | Brownie Camera . . . 2.40                       | Mahogany Table Lamp, with silk shade . . . 5.50 |
| Boys' Rubber Storm Coat . . . 2.45                  | Photo-print Album . . . 2.00                    | Mahogany Serring Tray . . . 4.00                |
| Boys' Cap to match . . . .70                        | Humidor, for fifty cigars . . . 4.50            | Boudoir or Desk Lamp, silk shade . . . 3.50     |
| Boys' Wool Sweater (with rolling collar) . . . 3.50 | Imported Checkerboard, with Checkers . . . 1.65 | Cat Glass Bowl . . . 4.00                       |
| Boys' Silk Four-in-hand Scarf, .50                  | Sterling Silver Cake Server . . . 2.75          | Cat Glass Vase . . . 4.75                       |
| Babies' Satin-covered Coat Hanger .50               | Sterling Silver Tea Ball . . . \$2.50           |   |

**In the Lace Drapery Section**

an additional offering Monday of Hand-made Lace Curtains and Panels, this season's importations, will comprise the following:

- Hand-made French Lace Curtains, pair \$4.50, 5.85, 7.50 to 16.00
- Hand-made Filet Lace Panels, each 13.00, 15.00, 17.50 to 33.00

The above price quotations represent important concessions from actual values.

(Fourth Floor)

**Decorative Lace Pieces**

will be placed on sale, commencing to-morrow (Monday) at extremely low prices.

This collection of Hand-made Filet Lace Pieces will afford an opportunity for the selection of gifts of daintiness and refinement:

- Table Covers of Hand-made Filet Lace, \$3.25, 4.50 to 39.00
- Scarfs of Hand-made Filet Lace at \$9.00, 11.00 to 47.50
- Chair Backs of Hand-made Filet Lace, \$4.00, 5.50 to 15.00

This Sale will be held on the First Floor.

**Red Cedar Chests**

An extraordinary offering for Monday and Tuesday will consist of genuine Cedar Chests, handsomely trimmed with bands of brass. The construction of these Chests and their generous size make them most desirable, as durability and good craftsmanship are combined; size: length 42 inches, height 19½ inches, width 18 inches; fitted with lock and key, at the very special price of each . . . \$8.85

**Japanese Screens**

A number of richly embroidered Japanese Screens (direct importations of B. Altman & Co.) will be on sale at the same time. These Screens, representing the individual and highly decorative art of Japan, are constructed with four panels, are five feet, six inches high, and are specially priced at each \$8.75, 10.85 & 22.50 (Fourth Floor)

All Charged or Paid Purchases (including heavy and bulky shipments) will be forwarded Free of Charge, by mail, express or freight, to any point in the United States. The methods of shipment are optional with B. Altman & Co. and no discounts are allowed.

Many of the Store's patrons will find the Madison Avenue Entrance most convenient.

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 Model Gowns  
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