PLAN TO CIRCUMVENT PARSONS

WITH STRASBOURGER AND NEAL IN THE COUNTY COMMITTEE.

The Men Who Have Undertaken the House-cleaning Job Refuse to Be Called Off Because the Grafters Object—Woodruff and Kings for Rogers for Speaker.

Boss Odell came down from Newburgh yesterday and spent most of his time at the Fifth Avenue Hotel consulting with William Halpin and others as to the plan by which he hopes to nullify, by bushwhacking and guerilla political methods, the effect of the election of Representative Herbert Parsons on December 21 to be president of the New York Republican county committee. It was learned that as a result of Boss Odell's consultations Tammany Tax Commissioner Samuel Strasbourger, Republican leader of the Thirty-first Assembly district, is to be pushed by the Odell-Halpin cabal in the county committee for reelection as first vice-president of the county committee, and that this same cabal is to attempt to force the election as secretary of the committee of Ambrose O. Neal, Republican leader of the Eighteenth district. The Odell-Halpin cabal, it was learned, make no secret of their determination to reelect Strasbourger and to make Neal secretary.

Under the constitution of the county committee the secretary has very liberal powers, and the Odell-Halpin cabal, it was positively stated, believe that if they can have Strasbourger as first vice-president and Neal as secretary the hands of Representative Parsons as president will be effectually tied and the Odell-Halpin cabal will be the real working force in the committee. The proposition includes, it is stated, a salary to Neal of $3,000 a year. As secretary Neal would be seriously hampered in his work as district leader, and, besides, would be a constant source of annoyance to Representative Parsons, for the reason that a district leader cannot be secretary too without unhappy complications all around.

The proposition to reelect Strasbourger first vice-president is for the purpose of having a man near the throne part of whose duties should consist in efforts "to put Parsons to sleep."

Any reorganization or readjustment of the party in New York county under such auspices, it was declared, will be absolutely futile.

Timothy L. Woodruff returned from Washington yesterday and told about his pleasant visit with President Roosevelt, and then announced that the thirteen Brooklyn Republican Assemblymen would stand for Assemblyman James T. Rogers of Broome for Speaker of the Assembly. Last evening Mr. Woodruff gathered about him the thirteen Republican Assemblymen, and it was announced after the confab that the Kings county delegation while ostensibly standing for Assemblyman Edward C. Dowling of the Seventeenth district would be really and actually at all times for Rogers.

Boss Odell is busy in his efforts to try to create among his adherents in New York State an impression that President Roosevelt, Secretary Root, Secretary Cortelyou and other New York Republicans should not take any interest in the condition of their party in the State, but sit quiet and permit him and his adherents to disrupt the party and gather about him enough grafters for further raids, with not a care as to how the party is to come out next year or in the national campaign of 1908. But the men who have undertaken the house cleaning job say that the corruption, the strike bills, the whole body of graft and grafters that have marked the party since Boss Odell got control are to be cleared away, irrespective of Boss Odell's wishes.

Representative J. Sloat Fassett said yesterday to the Washington correspondent of the *Brooklyn Eagle* in response to a question whether the reorganization movement would end with the selection of Mr. Parsons as Halpin's successor, or whether it would be continued in other parts of the State:

"If the same causes exist elsewhere in the Republican organization that exist in New York county, I should think the movement would go on, inspired by the same motive. This motive is the elimination of all objectionable features from the Republican organization. If the exposures of recent months have justified a change in the New York city and county organization, the same revelations justify, even to a greater degree and in a more direct manner, with a more emphatic personal application, a continuance of the reform until the real cause of complaint has been removed."

"Do you think the President is open to criticism for participation in the reorganization of New York politics?"

"Most emphatically I do not. I have no knowledge as to the actual degree of participation by the President, the Secretary of State and the Postmaster-General in the New York situation, but I not only see no reason why they should not have participated but every reason why they should have participated. Men who have received the highest possible honors because of their allegiance to a great party certainly would not be justified in hesitating to keep that party always worthy of itself and of themselves. The game of politics can never be so one sided as to justify a man in perpetually receiving and never giving.

"Personally, I feel that whether they did interfere or did not they ought to have interfered. Nothing is more foolish than the murmurings about the Foger campaign and comparing it with present conditions. The circumstances then and now are diametrically opposed to each other. There are now to be no forged telegrams, no forged proxies. Now there is an effort being made all through the State to get rid of unpleasant and unsavory and untrusted domination. Then the people had a Governor they wanted to keep, but were prevented by the ruthless interference of party machinery. I do not know any reason why a man should not be as patriotic for his party as for his country, within proper limitations."

FOR ONE BIG M. O. LEAGUE.

Brooklynites Want One in the City—To Join State Fight.

The borough and county committee of the Municipal Ownership League of Brooklyn met in the Johnston building last night, with Sheriff-elect Flaherty in the chair. It was the largest meeting ever held and even the aisles were crowded. The question discussed was that of amalgamating with other M. O. L. organizations. After a discussion lasting two hours and a half a resolution was adopted to the effect that "the M. O. L. of Brooklyn invites all other organizations to enroll their individual membership in this organization, and that a committee of five be appointed to confer with a committee from Manhattan, looking to the amalgamation of all organizations, and that the committees report its plan to the borough and county committee."

A resolution was also adopted by which the M. O. L. of Brooklyn will affiliate with the Public Ownership League in order to participate in the State election next year.

Justices Bartlett, Chase and Hiscock Designated for Court of Appeals.

ALBANY, Dec. 7.—At the request of the judges of the Court of Appeals Gov. Higgins to-day designated Supreme Court Justices Willard Bartlett of Brooklyn, Emory A. Chase of Catskill and Frank Hiscock of Syracuse as associate judges of the Court of Appeals until the court's calendar is reduced to 200 appeals. There are now about 500 appeals pending in the court. These three justices are now members of the Appellate divisions in their respective departments and will be formally designated by the Governor to the Court of Appeals bench after they have filed with the Governor their resignations as members of their respective divisions.

Designers and Makers
of Gold Jewelry
Silverware
Established 1840
Chester Billings & Son
Successors to
Randel, Baremore & Billings
Billings Court, Fifth Avenue at Thirty-fourth Street

COLER STILL HEARST'S FRIEND

SAYS SO HIMSELF, BUT RELIEVED AS A PLAN-AND-SCOPER.

And Not Exactly Suiting the M. O. League With His Proposed Appointments in Brooklyn—Grateful Republican Allies Are to Give Hearst a Reception.

Bird S. Coler says that he and the Hearst Municipal Ownership League are still friends, but reports are renewed that they are not so all fired friendly.

Some of the appointments Mr. Coler has announced for January 1 do not please Mr. Hearst or his advisers. Mr. Hearst's morning paper criticises Mr. Coler because of his intention to revive the "obsolete office" of Commissioner of Highways in Brooklyn. On top of this offence Mr. Coler has made it known that he purposes to appoint Desmond Dunne his Commissioner of Public Works. Mr. Dunne is a member of the King's County Democratic Club and is a McCarren man.

Mr. Coler's apparent intention to make appointments without seeking the advice of the M. O. leaders may have had nothing to do with some happenings at a meeting held yesterday at the Gilsey House of the executive committee of the league. Until yesterday Mr. Coler was the chairman of a committee named to prepare plans for extending the scope of the Municipal Ownership League throughout the State. The committee was formed to work out the details of the proposal to transform the league into a State political organization.

It was announced at the close of yesterday's meeting that Mr. Coler and his committee had been "discharged with thanks." At the same time William R. Hearst, as chairman of the executive commiteee, was authorized to appoint a new committee on plan and scope.

Mr. Coler said last night that there was no friction between him and the heads of the league. "The committee of which I was chairman," he said, "was appointed to map out plans for forming branches of the league in all parts of the State and to make it a State organization.

"At to-day's meeting my committee submitted a draft of a charter we had drawn up and the draft was turned over to the legal members of the league to be knocked into shape and to be perfected. As the draft completed our work, I asked that the committee be relieved of further responsibility."

"Will you be an active worker in future in the ranks of the Municipal Ownership party?" Mr. Coler was asked.

"Certainly so far as my public duties as president of Brooklyn borough will permit me," was his reply.

To-night at the Gilsey House a reception will be given to William R. Hearst by the Republican Assemblymen who were elected with the indorsement of Mr. Hearst's league. A dinner, to be spread on the night of Washington's birthday, is also being arranged for him. Incidentally, the statement was authorized last night that the dinner which Mr. Coler and the M. O.'s of Brooklyn had invited Mr. Hearst to attend on December 20 had been abandoned. The explanation given for the giving up of this dinner was that Mr. Hearst would be unable to be in town that night.

DICKENS FELLOWSHIP MEETS.

Listens to Five Members Read "The Christmas Carol" in Chunks.

The Dickens Fellowship held another literary frolic last night at Reisenweber's restaurant, Eighth avenue and Fifty-eighth street. The menu started off with blue points à la "Little Dorrit" and finished with "Old Curiosity Shopcoffee." After the dinner the audience settled themselves down for a real old Dickens orgie.

The Rev. Alfred W. H. Hodder opened the programme with a half hour discourse on "Visits to the Shrines of Dickens." In that half hour he took his audience to every town where the author's head had lain upon a pillow. When Mr. Hodder hushed his voice in the narration of the death scene and told the novelist's last words a long "Ah" escaped the audience.

When Mr. Hodder finished it was announced that the audience was so hungry for real Dickens that the usual papers would be put over and that a Christmas carol would be read antiphonaly by five members.

Out in the hall there was a discussion.

"I can't read all this," said one woman. "It'll take till the awful small hours in the morning."

"You must," said another, "Mr. Hodder said you would be cutting your best friend if you were to leave out one little word."

But the audience was blissfully in ignorance of this disloyalty. Charles M. Govan, the president, had begun the first stave. Mr. Govan has a flexible voice, an elastic manner and a springy action. He took the part of five characters so that the audience never forgot which was which. The second dirge was given by Mrs. Marion Leland. There were two other ghosts and one end, which was read by Miss Clara Commons. After singing "Auld Lang Syne" the meeting broke up.

PARISH CONSOLIDATION.

Disposal of All Souls' Parish Property Supposed to Have Been Settled.

The standing committee of the Protestant Episcopal diocese met yesterday, and it was understood to was decide what shall be done with the money resulting from the sale of All Souls' Church, formerly the Rev. Dr. Heber Newton's.

George Zabriskie, a member of the committee, when asked yesterday about the decision said:

"I cannot tell you what took place at the meeting, but the parish of All Souls and the parish of the Church of the Archangel will doubtless decide upon consolidation."

Bishop Potter and Bishop Coadjutor Greer are both for the consolidation.

The Weather.

Temperatures continued to rise and were above freezing yesterday at all points east of the Mississippi River, except in the central Ohio Valley and over northern Maine. In the West freezing weather extended to the Mexican border, but there was no extreme cold and the mercury rose above the freezing point almost everywhere. It was generally fair, except on the north Pacific coast and in Florida where it rained.

In this city the day was fair and warmer; wind fresh westerly; average humidity 53 per cent.; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30.34; 3 P. M., 30.30.

The temperature yesterday, as recorded by the official thermometer, is shown in the annexed table:

	1905	1904.		1905.	1904.
9 A. M.	36°	29°	6 P. M.	43°	35°
12 M.	42°	32°	9 P. M.	[illegible]	32°
3 P. M.	43°	35°	12 Mid.	40°	31°

Lowest temperature, 34°, at 5 P. M.

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

For eastern New York, New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania, fair to-day and to-morrow; light to fresh south winds.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia and Delaware, fair to-day and to-morrow; light south winds.

For New England, fair to-day and to-morrow; light to fresh southwest to south winds.

For western Pennsylvania and western New York, fair to-day and to-morrow; fresh to brisk southwest winds.

ODESSA REFUGEE HERE.

Rabbi Smolensky Tells His Story to a Jewish Relief Committee.

Peter Salman Smolensky, a rabbi, and a graduate of the University of Teheran, Persia, told a committee of the National Jewish Relief Association at the Hebrew Charities Building yesterday about his experiences in Odessa during the riots and massacres. There were scars and unhealed bruises on his face.

He reached Odessa on the first day of the outrages against the Jews. He found the city in turmoil. Every one seemed to be dazed, he said, and there were shouting and cries of despair night and day. Blood was everywhere, he said, and the streets were strewn with feathers from beds thrown out of Jews' houses. The police and soldiers looked on with indifference.

He saw, he says, aged men beaten to death, children tortured, women cruelly treated and Jewish property destroyed and stolen. The riots occurred in all of the principal Jewish streets, and he saw men and women, wild with fright, running about crying and beseeching help.

After the riots he escaped to Warsaw, where friends of the revolutionary movement concealed him and helped him come to America.

At one time Smolensky was arrested for having in his pocket a letter from Maxim Gorky. He was sentenced to exile in Siberia, but his guards were attacked by a band of revolutionists and he escaped, with sixteen others.

LESTER F. STEARNS MUST GO.

Gov. Higgins Has Decided Not to Reappoint Him State Tax Commissioner.

ALBANY, Dec. 7.—One of the most important appointments which Gov. Higgins will have during the coming session of the Legislature will be to name a new member of the State Tax Commission in place of Lester F. Stearns of Dunkirk. Gov. Higgins has decided not to reappoint Stearns, remembering the spectacle he made of himself before the Legislature in the trial of Supreme Court Justice Warren B. Hooker last July.

Gov. Higgins will have very little patronage to distribute during the second year of his term. He will have the appointment in January of a State Superintendent of Insurance, to succeed Francis Hendricks of Syracuse, at a salary of $7,000, for a term of three years; a State Commissioner of Excise, to succeed P. W. Cullinane of Oswego, at a salary of $5,000, for a term of five years; a State Architect, in place of George L. Heins of New York city, at a salary of $7,500; a Port Warden for the port of New York, in place of Richard O'Brien of Port Chester, and a superintendent of the Onondaga Salt Springs in place of Hoyt H. Freeman. He has also the appointment of a number of managers of State institutions. There has been much complaint from all over the State against State Architect Heins, whose absence from his duties at Albany has been the rule rather than the exception, and the work of the office has been permitted to shift for itself.

SAYS DEPEW SHOULD RESIGN.

Senator Brackett Believes He Will See His Duty to the Party and Do It.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Dec. 7.—Senator Edgar T. Brackett said to-day:

"I think that Senator Depew should resign his place in the United States Senate. In saying so I do not assume to pass any judgment upon him further than that he has lost the confidence of the party.

"I have not said that I would offer in the Senate any resolution asking for such resignation, nor shall I say so. When the time comes it will be developed whether or not it will be done, but I do not believe that it will be required. I believe that Senator Depew will see his duty to the party and will do it, and by doing it will relieve the present intolerable condition, which can lead only to disaster."

EXPLORER FIALA MARRIED.

Culmination of Romance That Began Eight Years Ago.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 7.—Anthony Fiala, Arctic explorer, of Brooklyn, N. Y., was married to Miss Claire Puryear here last night. Miss Puryear comes from one of the oldest families of Tennessee and is a lineal descendant of Commodore Mathew Maury.

Mr. Fiala met Miss Puryear in Nashville eight years ago. He fell in love with her then and several times within the next few years asked her to become his wife. Miss Puryear refused until the time came for Fiala to take charge of the Ziegler expedition to find the North Pole and start for the Arctic. Then she consented. It was in 1903 that he sailed for the Far North, and it wasn't until August 11 of this year that he had a chance to greet her again—by cable from northern Norway—after it was thought that the expedition was lost and Fiala had perished.

The secret of their engagement had been well kept, and it became public only through the publication of the cablegram from Fiala to Miss Puryear, which contained news of such interest to the world in general.

Miss Puryear is the daughter of Andrew Puryear of Nashville. She comes from a well known family and is closely related to Lieutenant-Commander Maury of the navy, a hydrographic official at Washington and one of the foremost Government scientists of the last half century, the man that laid out the "ocean lanes" for Atlantic steamers.

BRAZIL ANGRY WITH GERMANS.

Newspapers Protest Against Gunboat Landing Sailors and Seizing a Deserter.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

RIO JANEIRO, Dec. 7.—The newspapers are angrily protesting against the alleged action of the German gunboat Panther in landing sailors at Santa Catarina at night and seizing a deserter without applying for the Government's permission.

An Expensive Journey

And hours of valuable time may be saved by a telephone talk.
It is economy to use the telephone.

NEW YORK TELEPHONE CO.
15 Dey Street.

CENTRAL BANS FREE PASSES.

ABSOLUTELY NONE FOR POLITICIANS OR FOR CHARITY.

Annual Passes Expiring Dec. 31 Will Not Be Renewed, and No Passes Have Been Granted for Three Weeks Now—Road Found the Business Too Expensive.

Nobody will ride free on the New York Central after January 1, 1906, save officials of the road and employees. The executive officials and the board of directors have decided to lop everybody off the road's free list, including politicians and country newspaper men, and to discontinue giving passes to charitable organizations.

The action was taken three weeks ago by President Newman, his advisers and the board of directors. They looked upon the pass proposition, according to an official of the road who talked to THE SUN last night, from a straight out business standpoint. The New York Central gave out so many passes every year that it was beginning to make a serious difference in the road's income, and it wasn't good business. This official said:

"President Newman and other officials had been considering the step for months. They came to the conclusion that something stringent had to be done and that now was the time to do it. They decided that they couldn't issue passes to a few persons and refuse to give them to others, so they decided to root out the whole custom.

"Hereafter no more passes will be given out, it makes no difference who applies. I haven't an idea how many passes the New York Central gave every year, but it was an immense number. Very many went for charitable purposes, many to politicians, officials of small towns in the State were remembered and the road was always liberal to its friends.

"For three weeks now no new passes have been issued and annual passes will not be good after December 31 and will not be renewed.

"The action was taken by the directors at a special meeting called to discuss the pass evil. I understand that President Newman has been consistently opposed to the widespread pass distribution, but that the custom had got pretty solid from many years of observance and was somewhat hard to abrogate. The order is general and covers the whole State."

Only three officials of the New York Central have the right to issue passes. They are William H. Newman, president of the road, Senator Depew and General Manager A. H. Smith.

Within the past few days well known politicians, several of them Tammany chieftains with popular nicknames, have received notes from friends connected in some way with the New York Central that if they wished to make their usual holiday out of town trips it would be well to go before New Year's, unless they thought of paying their fares.

A number of politicians make an annual trip to Niagara Falls to view the frozen waters at Christmas time. They aren't so sure they are going this year. Two cents a mile.

One official of the New York Central said that some notices had been sent out regarding cancellation of passes, but that it was the ordinary notice informing passholders that annuals would be cancelled after December 31 of the current year.

He added: "It is certain, however, that the railroad is through with the pass system, and is going to be the pioneer in that respect. Some action has been taken and more definite steps will follow. The reform will be sweeping."

COL. A. P. KETCHUM DEAD.

Customs Lawyer and Official Under Grant and Arthur Passes Away.

Alexander P. Ketchum, a lawyer, of 17 Battery place, who made a specialty of customs cases, died yesterday from heart failure at his residence, 32 Mount Morris Park West, after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Ketchum was born in New Haven, Conn., in 1838, but came to this city with his parents when a baby. He was educated in the public schools, graduated from the College of the City of New York and then took a course at the Albany Law School.

When the civil war broke out he went to the front with one of the New York regiments, and was appointed on the staff of Gen. Rufus Saxton, and later to that of Gen. O. O. Howard, and in 1867 he was brevetted Colonel for special services in South Carolina.

He returned to this city, and in 1869 he was appointed Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Ninth district of New York. Later he was made Collector for the same district. President Grant made him General Appraiser in 1874 and later he was Chief Appraiser. Col. Ketchum was a stanch Republican. He was vice-president of the Republican Club at the time of his death, was president of the City College Club for a number of years, was the first president of the Mount Morris Bank in Harlem, counsel for the New York Presbytery, a member of the Loyal Legion and the State Bar Association, a trustee of the Church of the Puritans at Fifth avenue and 130th street, a member of the New York Yacht Club and vice-commodore of the Atlantic Yacht Club.

He leaves one son and three daughters.

Obituary Notes.

Mrs. Lillian Ross Hodgson died on Wednesday night at St. Luke's Hospital after a very short illness, from pneumonia. Mrs. Hodgson was the daughter of the late Elijah Jones of Elmira. Mrs. Hodgson became totally deaf when 10 years of age. She was educated wholly at home and became a proficient reader of the lips. Mrs. Hodgson was married to Edwin Allan Hodgson, editor of the *Deaf Mutes' Journal*, and for nearly thirty years instructor in printing at the Washington Heights School for the Deaf. Besides her husband, Mrs. Hodgson leaves two young daughters. Her funeral will be held from St. Ann's Church, West 148th street, near Broadway, on Sunday at 2:30 P. M., and the interment will be at Woodlawn.

Thomas Henry Clowes, one of the oldest and best known residents of Hempstead, died at his home there on Wednesday night after a long illness. He was in his eighty-eighth year, and at one time owned nearly all of the valuable real estate in that vicinity. He was County Treasurer, Under Sheriff and Supervisor for various periods. In November, 1888, Mr. Clowes and his wife celebrated their golden wedding. Three of their eight children are living. They are Anna C. Clowes, William E. Clowes and Mrs. I. W. Williams. For many years Mr. Clowes had been senior warden of St. George's Episcopal Church. August Belmont, the junior warden, will succeed him.

James H. Taft died yesterday in a sanatorium at Clifton Springs, N. Y. He lived at 480 Clinton avenue, Brooklyn, and was in his eighty-fourth year. He was founder of the commission brokerage firm of James H. Taft & Co. of this city, but retired from active business five years ago. He spent most of the time since then in travel. He was the vice-president of the American Bible Society and one of the founders of the Seney Hospital in Brooklyn. His wife died sixteen years ago. Four sons survive him.

Valentine Puster, superintendent of the German Pioneer Home in Garfield avenue, Jersey City, died on Wednesday night at his home, 17 Oak street, in his eighty-fourth year. Death was caused by a hemorrhage of the brain. He was the father of the late ex-Judge Henry Puster.

John Henry Stewart, a well known Democrat of Amsterdam, N. Y., died yesterday of pneumonia at the age of 44. He had served as a member of the Board of Aldermen and also of the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors.

Blaine Club for Levenson.

At a meeting last night of the James G. Blaine Club of the Fourth Assembly district, resolutions were adopted denying that the club was opposed to the continued leadership of the district of Joseph Levenson. The resolutions intimated that the reports that Mr. Levenson was not in harmony with his district organization were groundless and had been inspired in the interest of Julius G. Kremer.

ROYAL Baking Powder

is a pure cream of tartar baking powder, shown by U. S. Government tests the highest quality of baking powder made. In food it is false economy to use anything but the best.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

OYAMA WELCOME TO TOKIO.

Storm Prevented the Great Demonstration That Had Been Planned.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

TOKIO, Dec. 7. Field Marshal Oyama and Gen. Baron Kodama, his chief of staff, were not favored with the proverbial Tokio weather when they arrived at Tokio to-day. A storm prevented the great demonstration that had been planned. At the railroad station many distinguished officials failed to be present, but the crowds gave the Field Marshal and his staff a warm welcome.

Marquis Oyama proceeded directly to the palace, where he made a formal report of the campaign to the Emperor and was entertained at luncheon.

The newspapers assert that Oyama is the greatest living soldier and emphasize his quiet modesty. They rejoice in his excellent health.

CHINA WON'T YIELD TO JAPAN.

Manchurian Question Still Unsettled—Dowager Empress Firm.

Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN.

PEKIN, Dec. 7.—On account of the illness of Viceroy Yaun Shih-kai, one of the Chinese conferees, no meeting of the Chino-Japanese conference was held to-day. The administration of the railroads in Manchuria is still the knotty question before the diplomats.

TOKIO, Dec. 7.—The Dowager Empress of China is strenuously opposing the retention of Japanese railway guards in Manchuria and the Japanese proposals for the administration of the Manchurian customs.

GERMANY COURTING TROUBLE.

Socialist Leader in Reichstag Attacks the Government's Policy.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BERLIN, Dec. 7.—In the Reichstag to-day Dr. Vebel, the Socialist leader, attacked the foreign policy of the Government. He said that Germany was acting in a manner calculated to provoke the other Powers.

Should Germany find herself isolated it would be solely the fault of the Government. He concluded by demanding an explanation of the relations between King Edward and the Kaiser and the influence thereby exercised upon the relations between Germany and England.

BOYCOTT IN MANCHURIA.

Japanese Discriminate Against American and British Goods.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PEKIN, Dec. 7. There is a boycott against foreign goods in Manchuria which threatens to become serious. The agent of the Standard Oil Company at Newchwang complains that no sales were made to the Japanese Government or to the police and military in November.

The Japanese police destroy the placards of American and British tobacco firms in Manchuria, and there is no recourse.

FRESH OUTBREAK IN SPAIN.

Troops Sent to Quell Political Disturbances at Mugia.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

MADRID, Dec. 7. There are serious political disturbances in the town of Mugia, district of Corcubion.

In a furious encounter between the rival parties many persons were injured, several mortally. Troops have been sent.

Balfour Supporter Holds His Seat.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Dec. 7.—The bye election in the New Forest division of Hampshire yesterday resulted in the return of the Unionist candidate, Mr. Compton, with a vote of 4,539, the Liberal candidate, Mr. Hobart, receiving 4,310 votes. At the last previous election the Conservative candidate received a majority of 755.

To Control Education in China.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

PEKIN, Dec. 7. The National Board of Education yesterday appointed Jung Ching, a Mongolian, who has been assistant president of the Chinese Imperial University, president, with full control of the educational system of the empire.

KAISER TAKES SULTAN'S SIDE.

Urges Powers to Accept the Latest Macedonian Proposal.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 6 (Delayed).—The German Ambassador, Baron von Bieberstein, is strongly urging upon the Powers the acceptance of the Porte's latest amendments to their demands regarding Macedonia. The British Ambassador, Sir R. N. O'Conor, is taking an opposite view.

Hundreds of Turks are working actively upon the fort on the European side of the Dardanelles, putting into position two large guns and making entrenchments.

ALFONSO IGNORED POPE.

Semi-Officially Announced That Rome Wasn't Consulted About Marriage.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ROME, Dec. 7.—It is semi-officially announced that the Vatican has not been consulted regarding the marriage of King Alfonso or the religion of his bride, should the latter not be a Roman Catholic.

Pope Sends Photograph to Archbishop Glennon.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ROME, Dec. 7.—The Pope has twice received Father Papin of St. Louis, to whom he spoke of America in the most cordial manner. He commissioned Father Papin to present to Archbishop Glennon a photograph of his Holiness, signed by himself, as a token of his benevolence toward the United States.

Slump on the Russian Bourse.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 7.—There was a great slump on the Bourse to-day. Russian 4s closed at 74. Many banks are in a precarious condition.

Distinctive
Overcoats for Men
TOURIST BOX PADDOCK
At $20.00, $25.00 & $30.00

Little things manifest great principles---an apple demonstrated the law of gravitation.

Along these lines analyze this condition. Go to the average shop for an overcoat at twenty, twenty-five or thirty dollars. The man will take your measure. His tape string demonstrates it to be forty, normal. Yet the coat in normal size forty has nothing in common with your proportions. With a supreme confidence and a sublime faith in luck he asks you to try another forty!

That hit or miss condition demonstrates the garments to be the product of the old school manufacturers who blindly hold that cutting from six to a dozen garments at a time is economy.

As though logic did not demonstrate that the simple action of the knife would cause the top and bottom of the pile of cloth to vary at least a fraction of an inch!

The perfect proportions of our overcoats at twenty to thirty dollars manifest the principle involved. We maintain our own workshops. Each garment is cut and tailored individually.

You will find that our forty coat measures exactly forty, whether it commands $75 or $25.

And you will also find the higher attributes which tend toward distinctiveness and character and for which the to-order tailorman demands one-third more than our prices.

Scarfs of the Finest Imported Silks
English Squares and Four-in-Hands, $1.50

Klotz, of Paris, weaves the silks for the scarfs, through which the most exclusive shops maintain their right to that term. He gave us his sample lengths of silk, each enough for one or two scarfs. That explains the difference between the standard prices and ours—about one-half. The scarfs are in a diversified variety of designs and colors.

The New Dress Shirts for Men

You may accept this assurance absolutely: no other shop has them ready-for-service. The fabrics were woven in France.

The bosoms are of white batiste with white hairline, welted cords, overplaids, checks and individual figures. The bodies are of white figured chambray; coat model, cuffs attached.

Even to the most minute detail the shirts measure up to the to-order shirtmaker's standard. The price does not. His is at least six dollars; ours $3.50.

The more conventional dress shirts begin with us at one dollar and go upward at intervals of fifty cents.

Saks & Company
Broadway, 33d to 34th Street.

English
LUNCHEON AND TEA BASKETS
Fitted complete for Picnics, Travellers and Yachting.
LEWIS & CONGER.
130 and 132 West 42d Street and 135 West 41st St., New York.

BEWARE OF SUBSTITUTION.
SELTERS
MANUFACTURED FROM DISTILLED WATER BY
CARL H. SCHULTZ.
430-444 1st AVE. C.P. 6th M.S. NEW YORK.
LOOK FOR THE LABEL.

POST & McCORD DENY.

Affidavit That They Are Not a Part of the American Bridge Company.

Further violence by the strikers on the contracts of Post & McCord were reported yesterday by the emergency committee of the employers. When the new men went to work on the Altman building, Thirty-fifth street and Fifth avenue, it was said they found the ropes on a large derrick so cut that if it had been moved it would have fallen, carrying the workmen with it.

It was also reported that seven of the new men were attacked by a crowd of fifty men on Wednesday evening near the Brooklyn Bridge. The men were instructed by the employers to change their routes every night on returning home.

William H. McCord, of Post & McCord, gave last night the firm's side of the story of the strike.

"The attitude of the leaders of the iron workers' union," said Mr. McCord, "is beyond my comprehension. This company has offered repeatedly to produce absolutely positive proof that it has no connection with the American Bridge Company, still Mr. Ryan, the president of the international body, refuses to accept or even to consider the offer, and continues the strike.

"As to the American Bridge Company, any construction concern in this city may, and many are all the time, purchasing material from that corporation. But this strike is not aimed at the American Bridge Company's material. Were that the case, the Title Guarantee and Trust Company's Building at Broadway and Liberty street, the McCreery Building, the New York Central's terminal work and many other large contracts would be held up. But the strike is directed only at our contracts and all because of an ungrounded assumption on the part of Mr. Ryan that we are a constituent company of a corporation with which his union had a dispute in Pennsylvania."

In an affidavit Mr. McCord says: "The said corporation of Post & McCord is controlled solely by its board of directors, consisting of William M. McCord, William C. Post and Andrew J. Post, and none of the said directors is connected, directly or indirectly, as stockholder, director, officer or manager, with the American Bridge Company, the Empire Bridge Company or any of their subsidiary companies."

Life Insurance Policies

Whereas, the practice of persuading a policyholder to lapse a contract in one regular life insurance company for a similar contract in another "company" called "twisting" results to the disadvantage of the policyholder; and

Whereas, all the leading life insurance companies have expressed in writing their opinion agreeing with this view; and,

Whereas, Senator Armstrong and Counsel Charles E. Hughes of the legislative investigating committee have recommended policyholders not to give up their policies; therefore, be it

Resolved, that this Association, comprising the active field representatives, including agents and managers of practically every life insurance company, deprecates the practice of any irresponsible or unthinking agent who, seeking his own profit at the policyholder's expense, advises discontinuance of a policy in any regular life insurance company. To that end this Association suggests that the policyholder insist that such proposal be made in writing, which should be submitted to the agent who insured him, or to the company, or to this association for information and advice. A pamphlet containing the letters above referred to, will be forwarded upon request.

THE LIFE UNDERWRITERS ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK
Secretary's Office, 229 Broadway, N. Y.

City College Speaks for the Jews.

At a crowded mass meeting held in the chapel yesterday afternoon the students of the College of the City of New York expressed their sympathy for the massacred Russian Jews. Among the speakers were Bernard Hirshkoff, representing the students; Prof. Charles Downer of the department of French, who deplored the alliance between Russia and France, and Edward Lauterbach, who spoke for the alumni.

THE "pear-drop flavor"—a rare bouquet in Scotch Whisky—is quite pronounced in Munro's
Long and Short
This delicate bouquet comes from an especially rare quality of home-grown barley and imparts a rich, fruity flavor peculiar *only* to old fashioned
Pot-still Whisky
At Clubs, Cafes, Hotels and of Dealers.
The Cook & Bernheimer Co.
NEW YORK, SOLE AGENTS.