

boy started him. He took up the cry and in an instant the hallways were choked by frightened guests. A rush was made for the stairways.

It was then that the crowd already collected in the street heard heartrending cries of anguish and desperation, for the fire, feeding ravenously on the tinder-like material of the lower floor, had completely cut off escape. There followed a stampede for the windows, the only means of exit left. The street below was now filled with a crowd of scarcely less frantic than the departing ones in the fast burning building.

"A Dore Picture."

"It was like a Dore picture of inferno among the flames," said one spectator in describing the scene. "The flames, looking blood red from reflection against the snow, lit up the pale, drawn faces of the people in the window with a glow that was unearthly."

The victims were literally driven by the flames to jump. Nearly every one of them flung out the window, and some prostrate bodies as they rushed to the windows, were seen to fall. One after another jumped, some to the street and some more fortunate, to the roofs of buildings adjoining.

In a short space of time the street was filled with men and women, bruised, battered, broken-limbed and half crazed. All were in their night garments.

In an hour St. Luke's hospital contained fifteen injured, while many more, chiefly those who had escaped with comparatively slight hurts, were being cared for in buildings near the scene. The fire had broken their lives to the fact that their falls were broken by telegraph wires.

Stumbled Over Bodies.

Several guests who were able to converse calmly following their escape declared that they were unable to see prostrate bodies as they rushed to the windows. The flames were literally chasing them, and the smoke made it almost impossible to breathe.

The proprietor of the hotel placed his estimate of the number of people in the building at between seventy and eighty. Those who were not so severely injured, stood for some time barefooted in the snow, chained to the spot and made unconscious of the cold by the heat of the scene. Many of them had to be led away.

One of the Missing.

At 11 o'clock the only one of the missing whose name was known was W. A. Mowrey of What Cheer, Iowa.

Two Taken Out.

The bodies of W. A. Mowrey and an unknown man were taken out of the ruins shortly after 11 o'clock. The bodies were frightfully charred. Searchers are now at work.



FRANK A. DAY.
Editor of the Fairmont Sentinel, who was elected president of the State Editorial Association to-day.

DAY IS PRESIDENT

Fairmont Man Is Chosen as Head of the State Editorial Association.

Mutual Fire Insurance Society Will Be Formed to Insure Newspaper Plants.

GRADUATING PARTS
Stillwater High School Faculty Chooses Four Participants.

RATIFY OR NO CANAL
French Company to Hold the U. S. to Its Agreement.

AN ENDLESS CHAIN
That's What It Looks Like to a Coffee Toper.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED
Editors Attend Theater—Afterwards Enjoy a Banquet.

THE HUMAN CHAIN
The training nurse has a hard task indeed during the long, lonesome hours of the night when she must keep watch and it is hardly to be wondered at that many of them fall into the use of stimulants.

THE HUMAN CHAIN
When I first entered the profession, writes a trained nurse of Kansas City, Mo., "I was required to give my patient every day a full dose of medicine, to be given in the night, and I used to refresh myself every now and then with a cup of strong coffee."

THE HUMAN CHAIN
For a time it would seem to revive me, but unless I took another cup my condition was worse than ever. In time I became extremely nervous and my strength failed me, but a sister nurse came to my relief by telling me her own experience. She said, 'I have been just where you are now, on the verge of nervous prostration, but if you will let me advise I can be restored to perfect health. If you will give up your coffee and use Postum Food Coffee, your strength will return and your nerves will be rebuilt. I have tried it and immediately quit coffee and began to use Postum Food Coffee and what a change!'

THE HUMAN CHAIN
It has been two years now since I commenced Postum, and notwithstanding the days and nights of hard work which come to every nurse, I find I am strong in every way, and I have no more of my allotted 'three score and ten.' Postum is a good friend to me and I have tried to be a good friend to Postum in return and many of my nervous patients have been greatly benefited by its use.

THE HUMAN CHAIN
"One of these cases I will mention briefly. The patient was a newspaper editor, and his condition was such that the doctors were afraid to let him be left alone. I made Postum for him and made it good. He was delighted with it and quit coffee entirely and it was not long before he completely recovered, is now strong physically and mentally, and has resumed his editorial duties. I know the chief cause of his recovery was the drinking of coffee and taking Postum Food Coffee. It is naturally a good, strong friend of Postum." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

3... BATTLESHIPS... 3

Naval Appropriation Bill Passed The House Late Yesterday Afternoon.

It Also Calls for an Armored Cruiser, Two Steel Training Ships, Etc.

Washington, Feb. 20.—At the end of a protracted session the house, yesterday afternoon, passed the naval appropriation bill. The most important amendment adopted was one to authorize the secretary of the navy in his discretion to purchase or contract for one or more armored cruisers, after investigation of their merits and appropriating \$500,000 for that purpose.

As passed, the bill provides for three new battleships and an armored cruiser, two steel training ships and one wooden brig for training purposes in addition to the submarine boats discretely authorized.

The increase in the personnel of the navy went through as reported by the committee, an effort to limit the increase to two midshipmen for each senator and representative to the period between now and 1911 having been voted down.

Mr. Fletcher was much elated over an amendment he had incorporated. It practically gives the retiring member the right to make a recommendation for the appointment of the naval cadet that may be to the credit of his congressional district. The naval bill will probably not be approved until nearly noon, March 3. If so, it will take quick work on the part of the Minneapopolis representatives. A letter of recommendation in the files of the navy department.

In the Senate Yesterday.

In their desperate attempt to force in continuous session the ratification of the Panama canal treaty, the senate leaders met another defeat last night and were forced to take a recess at 11 o'clock, with confirmation of the convention quite as yet undecided.

The situation in the senate is unique, puzzling and altogether without precedent. One filibuster has been grafted on another and the deadlock is quite as complete as at any time during the session.

THE PROBLEM IS SOLVED

Wireless Telegraphy and the Cooper Hewitt "Mercury Vapor Interrupter."

New York, Feb. 20.—In the current issue of the Electrical Review is described an important invention in wireless telegraphy by Percival Cooper Hewitt, of New York city, son of the late Abram S. Hewitt.

This device, which is a development of the Cooper Hewitt mercury vapor interrupter, takes the place of the usual spark gap for discharging in the antenna, or sending, and it consists of a glass globe eight to ten inches in diameter, containing ten or more mercury electrodes contained in tubes sealed in the lower part of the globe.

The device is very effective and it is stated that it will enable a much more powerful electrical wave to be set up than is possible with the methods at present in use and will also make secrecy in transmission quite possible.

M. P. Phipps, professor of electro-mechanics at Columbia university, and widely known for his invention in long-distance telephony, is quoted as saying: "The Cooper Hewitt mercury vapor interrupter at once establishes wireless telegraphy on a commercial basis."

BLOW AT AMERICANISM.
Philadelphia, Feb. 20.—The select committee has passed an ordinance imposing a fine of \$10 upon any person contracting upon the floors of any public building.

TOLD IN A LINE
New York.—Three men were killed in the Fort Lafayette explosion yesterday.

THE RACE ISSUE.
New York, Feb. 20.—More than 2,000 negroes of this city met at Cooper Union last night and formally protested against the disfranchisement of their race by the southern states, and particularly by Virginia. The enthusiasm frequently reached the point of rioting, and it was greater than when President Roosevelt's name was mentioned.

HOW TO BE
Cured of Piles Without Pain.

First—Change from a sedentary occupation to a wisely chosen, more active work.

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Fifth, sixth and last, use Pyramid Pile Cure regularly and according to directions, for it is the right cure for the trouble, and will cure you as it has hundreds of others.

Do not wait until you are a helpless invalid, for a seemingly simple case of hemorrhoids, or piles, may, if neglected, rapidly lead to worse. The unnatural formations become tumorous and permanent, and the inflammation grows until abscesses form; the disease burrows into the tissues, forming tubular growths which discharge pus; cancerous conditions, and general gangrenous degeneration appear.

What is needed at the start, or at any stage, is something to soothe this inflammation, reduce the swelling and distension, and at the same time restores the diseased parts to normal condition. These three things are accomplished perfectly by the Pyramid Pile Cure. It checks all progress of the disease, and rapidly restores the affected parts to health, besides relieving at once the pain and fearful irritation.

It began using Pyramid Pile Cure, and in order to make sure of a cure bought five packages; for the past six weeks I have not been troubled in the least, and I have not been troubled for thirty-five years, and had spent more than \$60 for different remedies; this is the first permanent help I have had, and no one could feel more grateful than I do." L. M. Williams, Connetquot, Ohio.

Pyramid Pile Cure is sold by druggists generally for 50 cents a package, and we urge all sufferers to write Pyramid Drug Co., Marshall, Mich., for their valuable little book describing the cause and cure of piles.

CONTROVERSY SETTLED

The Kaiser Issues a Statement as to What Revelation and Religion Really Are.

New York Sun Special Service.

His Majesty says he regrets that Professor Delitzsch and Gumboldt, a weekly review, publishes a letter written by Emperor William to Admiral Holman, councillor of the German Oriental society, in reference to the controversy which has been actively aroused by the theories of Professor Delitzsch.

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DA VINCI MADONNA, \$10

James Hilton of St. Louis Is Offered \$15,000 for His Bargain.

St. Louis, Feb. 20.—A genuine Da Vinci madonna, worth thousands of dollars, was sold by a second-hand dealer in Carondelet for \$2 to a St. Louis man who sold it to a friend, James Hilton, president of the Hilton Printing company for \$10. Hilton declined an offer of \$15,000 for the picture a few days after he bought it and now holds it at \$60,000, which price he says he is not at all sure is as high as it ought to be.

Experts of New York and other cities, according to Mr. Hilton, have pronounced the Madonna in his possession to be a rare gem, one of those stolen from the Vatican over 100 years ago. He has written to J. Pierpont Morgan, one of the art collectors and also to the noted art masters of Europe describing the madonna in detail and asking their opinion as to its authenticity.

Mr. Hilton says that he bought it in a friend's office and bought it for a present for a sister who is a devout Catholic. He does not pretend to be a judge of works of art, but says he was impressed by the beauty and power of the picture from the moment he saw it.

RAPID TRANSIT

Plan for Scores of Tunnels Under New York.

New York, Feb. 20.—Carrying with it an estimated expenditure of from \$45,000,000 to \$60,000,000, William Barclay Parsons, chief engineer, has laid before the board of rapid transit commissioners his plan for rapid transit in the boroughs of Manhattan, Bronx and the northern end of Queens.

The plan for all the boroughs considered, it would require at least \$100,000,000 to carry it out. The biggest single item would be the cost of the tunnel from the Battery to Brooklyn down to Bay Ridge and thence under the Narrows to Staten Island, the harnessing by subway of all the bridges across the East river, not only on the Manhattan side, but also on the Brooklyn side, incidentally tapping the tunnel of the Pennsylvania railroad beneath the East river.

Radiating in all directions in Brooklyn will be subway lines with the Long Island railroad terminal as the prominent center. Williamsburg and other remote centers will be tapped by the underground railroads.

MR. HAY WAS CROSS

He Did Not Like Mr. Bowen's Diplomacy.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Indications point strongly toward a coolness between Minister Bowen and Secretary of State Hay, arising at the present stage of the negotiations the state department took occasion to criticize Mr. Bowen's methods of diplomacy.

The particular point which drew the censure of the secretary is said to be Mr. Bowen's note to British Ambassador Herbert in which he informed Mr. Herbert that the United States was prepared to treat the situation as a water war, and that the United States would not want peace and not alliance.

This plain language which the English saw fit to call "shirshreek diplomacy," angered Sir Michael and provoked the censure of Mr. Hay.

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Spring Lines.

Pleasant to contemplate after the chill we have experienced the past few days. Never mind, the warm days are not far distant and we will enjoy them the more if prepared for them, properly clothed, etc.

Colored Dress Goods.

The Danbury News man once wrote that when shopping time was on only the top knots of the clerks could be seen, so high were the piles on the counters. We have the goods on shelves and we want you to come and see them—new and bright, attractive shadings and handsome weaves. The soft, clinging effects are to be the popular things the coming season, and we have them in all weaves—

Mohair Voile
Barege
Eolienne
Etamines
Canvases
Chevlots

London Twills
Wire Cloths
Batiste, silk and wool
Mohair Melanges
Homespuns
Thibets

Spring Suitings

The best line we have ever shown—new weaves and combinations—including

Donegal Crashes
Scotch Tweeds
Nappe
Scotch Plaids

Hairline Stripes
Moulines
Etamines
Checks

White Wool Goods

for Waists, Skirts and full Suits.

Mohair Sicilian
Albatross
Serges
Eolienne
Etamines
Pebble, Sanglier,

Sharkskin
Mistrals
Whipcords
Buntings
Oatmeal
Tissues, etc.

Suit Department

Advance styles arriving daily. We are now showing New Walking Skirts, New Walking Suits, New Long Skirt Suits, New Fancy Skirts, And other late style garments.

Wool Waists. A few odds and ends left; former prices \$4 to \$6.75 each, at... 1/3 off

COMMITTEE PLACES

What the Minnesota Delegation Is After.

Washington, Feb. 20.—At a meeting of the Minnesota delegation late yesterday, it was decided that each member shall be inclined to give up labor and devote his time to the national capital, visiting with his Minnesota friends, and looking on at a very interesting period of legislation in congress. The governor, without doubt, call on President Roosevelt, and his doings may cause a flutter in political circles.

Toronto.—In a week near Henry Linday of Forest Lake, Wis., was slightly hurt.

A Telephone Service . . .

to be valuable and meet the requirements of business, must have not only ALL the local subscribers, but have also a complete long distance service. This company is the only one in the Northwest which offers you these advantages.

35,000 subscribers, 2,000 Cities and Villages in the Northwest reached by 30,000 miles of copper wire.

John Lind desires a place on the democratic end of the judiciary, which has six vacancies in the republican side, but there is only one democratic vacancy, and Lind probably stands a better chance of securing this assignment than Stearnson does for getting a republican place.

To Cure Cold in One Day.
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

REMNANT SHOES.

We still have several thousand pairs of Remnant Shoes that we will sell, in many instances, at less than HALF PRICE. They're displayed on tables.

Ladies' Shoes. 69c
Old odds Ladies' \$1.50 to \$2.00 shoes. Remnant price, choice. 69c

Men's Shoes 98c
All broken odd lots of Men's \$1.50 and \$2.00 shoes, while they last, per pair. 98c

Boys' Shoes. 98c
Here are some excellent bargains in boys' shoes; all odd lots of boys' shoes, while they last, per pair. 98c

Girls' Shoes. 69c
All odd lots and short lines of Girls' Shoes, worth 98c to \$1.48, choice. 69c

Babies' Shoes. 29c
Odd lots of Child's shoe lines, worth 49c to \$1.25, at 69c, choice. 29c

Ladies' Slippers 39c
Several odd lots, worth 75c to 98c, choice. 39c

Rubbers 25c
Several odd lots at Low Prices: Ladies' medium Toe Storm Rubbers, per pair. 25c

Home Trade Shoe Store
219-221 Nicollet
BATES & HEFFELFINGER.

Men's 49c
Little Giant's 200 Rubbers, for this sale, per pair. 49c

Men's 49c
Men's 25c heavy rolled edge dull rubbers. 49c

Men's 49c
Men's 25c storm Rubbers. 49c

Men's 49c
Men's medium toe storm Rubbers. 49c

Men's 39c
Men's 25c storm Rubbers. 39c