

HOW PETER POWER BLOCKED THE MERGER.

New York Youth Confessed That He Was a Tool in the Hands of Designing Parties Who Caused James J. Hill and Pierpont Morgan So Much Uneasiness.



PETER POWER, THE FAMOUS WITNESS IN THE NORTHERN PACIFIC SUIT, ON THE WITNESS STAND AFTER HIS ARRIVAL FROM CANADA.

NEW YORK, Aug. 23.—Peter Power, whose name has caused the greatest uneasiness in the United States, including J. Pierpont Morgan and James J. Hill, so much uneasiness and temporarily, at least, has thwarted the plans of other railroad magnates, is a young law clerk in the offices of George Alfred Lamb, counsel for the "striker" against the merging of the Northwestern railroads.

ROOSEVELT SAYS TRUSTS CANNOT BE ELIMINATED.

Suggests That Corporations Be Placed Under National Control and That Their Affairs Be Made Public, in Order to Combat the Acknowledged Evils in the System That Now Prevails in the United States.

URGES INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS TOWARD IMPROVING CONDITIONS.

EPIGRAMS FROM THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

"Wise laws and fearless and upright administration of the laws can give the opportunity for such prosperity as that we see about us. But this is all that they can do."

Newport, Aug. 23.—President Roosevelt closed his second day's journey through New England to-night at Newport, where he is the guest of Mr. Winthrop Chandler. Upon the conclusion of his speech at City Hall, Providence, he was driven to the residence of Senator Aldrich, at Warwick. He arrived at Newport soon afterward.

MORGAN KEEPING HANDS OFF COAL STRIKE; MITCHELL SAYS MEN ARE STANDING FIRM.

SAYS HE WILL NOT APPEAL TO MORGAN. Antiracket Operators Increasingly Confident of Success in the Fight With Miners.

President Mitchell of the Miners' Union Returns From Western Journey.

SEES NO SIGN OF SETTLEMENT. READY FOR STRIKE TO BREAK.

Says Men Are Standing Firm, but Refuses to Give Details Regarding His Efforts to Collect Funds.

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EQUALIZATION BOARD MAKES BIG INCREASE IN ASSESSMENTS.

Valuation for Railway, Telegraph, Telephone and Bridge Property Advance Over \$8,000,000, Allowing for a Decrease of a Million and a Half on Union Station and Bridge at St. Louis.

INCREASED ASSESSMENT ON CORPORATIONS OVER 8 PER CENT.

IMPORTANT INCREASES IN ASSESSMENT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION.

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531 Want Help To-Day. The Republic of today contains the following ads for "Help": Housework... 106 Trades... 101 Salesmen... 44 Cooks... 26 Boys... 26 Agents... 27 Laundresses... 10 Miscellaneous... 181

WOMEN SAT AT GAMING TABLES! WITH SAVINGS SISTER PAID BROTHER'S FINE. William Pickel was Released From Jail at Clayton by Fourteen-Year-Old Girl. HAD BEEN STEALING GRAPES. Ferguson Farmer Caught a Crowd of St Louis Youngsters in Vineyard and Turned Them Over to the Constable.

WILL MAKE NEW EFFORT TO CLEAR UP MURDER MYSTERY. Chicago Coroner Plans Exhumation of Body Suspected to Be That of Minnie Mitchell. Ladies Wagered Their Money on Faro and Roulette With Much Zest and Won Heavily.

FAST TRAIN FOR ILLINOIS. To Be Propelled 100 Miles an Hour by Electricity. MAY NOT HAVE TEXT BOOKS. Peculiar Situation Faces Kansas School Children.

KILLED GIRL WITH TOY RIFLE. Howard Sharpe Shot Miss Jump at Chester Hill. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Virginia, Ill., Aug. 23.—Howard Sharpe, the 10-year-old son of Washington Sharpe, while playing with a rifle at his home in Chester Hill this afternoon, accidentally shot Miss Jump, a neighbor, who died instantly.