

NEARLY TWO HUNDRED MILES BEHIND RECORD

Cyclists Show Evidences of Terrible Strain.

FLOYD KREBS IN BAD SHAPE

Leander's Splendid Endurance Keeps Team in First Place—McFarland Unable to Make Up Lost Lap.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—At the end of the 104th hour, 9 o'clock, the leaders in the race had covered 1,852 miles and were nearly 200 miles behind the record.

In the hour between 8 and 9 o'clock the riders took things very easy and covered only 13 miles. During the same hour in 1898, Frank Waller, who was leading, covered 22 miles.

The terrible strain under which the riders are laboring was more noticeable this morning than at any time in the race. The worn, haggard and fatigued appearance of the men is evidence enough of the torture which they are forced to endure in order to keep anywhere near the front in a six-day grind.

Leander's Splendid Endurance. Floyd Krebs, this morning gave little assistance to his partner, Leander. If this team wins the race, it will be due solely to Leander's splendid endurance.

McFarland and Maya, although a lap behind, are confident of winning. Several times this morning they started short sprints in an attempt to tire out the other riders, but their competitors did not tire easily, and the efforts were futile.

McFarland bet \$500 on himself against the field at odds of 1 to 8, Wednesday night, the faker of the big end being Charles Hill, of Philadelphia. In last night's riding the big pluggers from the Golden Gate City tried time and time again to gain a lap which he needs to put him on even terms with the leaders.

It is the general opinion, however, that the two teams who now lead the field are in too good condition to be caught by the other riders, and McFarland stands a good chance of losing the \$500.

Ten o'Clock Score. Miles, Laps. Leander and Floyd Krebs, 1,870 1; McFarland and Maya, 1,870 0; Stinson and Moran, 1,870 0; John Bedell and M. Bedell, 1,870 0; Butler and Turville, 1,870 0; Gavin and Root, 1,870 0; Keegan and Peterson, 1,850 9; Barclay and Franz Krebs, 1,850 7.

COMMERCIAL TREATY WITH CUBA SIGNED

State Department Receives Cablegram From Gen. Tasker H. Bliss at Havana.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

The Raleigh—H. L. Jordan, U. S. A.; A. D. Newton, Hartford; J. C. Clarke, New York; K. V. Hall, Norfolk, Va.; E. P. Hoag, New York City; N. Wolf, J. E. Hall, New York; P. Rehn, St. Louis; A. H. Renner, Boston, Mass.; O. B. Jamey, Richmond; D. A. Campbell, Chicago.

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DIED.

EATON—In this city, on Thursday, December 11, 1902, ELIZABETH L., wife of A. J. Eaton. Notice of funeral hereafter.

IN MEMORIAM.

BROWN—In memory of Master JAMES L. BROWN, son of James E. and Mary A. Brown, who departed this life on December 12, 1902, at the age of seven years.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

FROM GOVERNMENT SALE—Blue overshirts, 50; three 22 1/2 undershirts, 31; new ponchos, \$1.25; new horse blankets, 60c and 75c; two and three-ply roofing paper, best made, 75c and 85c; all kinds horse collars, half lined, \$1.25; B. BENNINGER & CO., 1113 and B sts., dist. of

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FINAL ARGUMENTS ON THE EIGHT-HOUR BILL

Judge McCammon Declares It Unconstitutional.

PRIVATE CONTRACT WORK

Champs' Attorney Declares This Is Not Proper Subject for Congress Legislation.

Final arguments on the eight-hour bill were made before the Senate Committee on Education and Labor this morning. Judge Joseph K. McCammon and James H. Hayden appearing for William Cramp & Sons, the Homestead Steel Works, and other Government contractors in opposition to the bill.

Samuel Gempers, president, and Frank Morrison, secretary, of the American Federation of Labor, argued in favor of the passage of the measure. The opening address was made by Judge McCammon, who gave many reasons based on constitutional law why the bill should not be favorably reported by the Senate committee.

McCammom's Plea. Judge McCammon said that the special evil of the bill consisted first in the clause "that no laborer or mechanic shall be permitted to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day."

The speaker quoted from many legal opinions in order to show that the bill was unconstitutional, and he called special attention to the testimony of Gen. Thomas L. Carey, who, in testifying in regard to a similar measure in 1882, said that such a law would be made use of to blackmail contractors.

"Why a Penalty?" In analyzing that clause in the bill which penalizes contractors for working men on Government contracts more than eight hours per day, Judge McCammon said:

"The question of first importance, however, is why is a penalty imposed? If a prohibition is violated, certainly the United States suffers no injury. The violation by the contractor cannot be a crime or misdemeanor, or, if such, the offender must be constitutionally tried. The laborer or mechanic so employed does not suffer injury, because he has either been adequately paid, or, if not adequately paid, he has the right of action against the employer."

In conclusion, Judge McCammon said: "The mere fact that if this bill should become a law it would be declared unconstitutional by the courts is scarcely an excuse for Congress to pass it. It is true that Congress has passed acts which subsequently have been declared invalid by the Supreme Court of the United States, but it must be assumed that in no case has this been done where it is apparent on the face of the act that the simplest principles of the Constitution have been violated."

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CONCLUSION OF THOM TRIAL NEXT WEEK

Hearing Resumed This Morning in District Court.

The trial of Charles Thom for the murder of his wife, Ida Thom, on May 4 last, was resumed today in Criminal Court No. 1, before Justice Anderson. Despite the efforts of counsel on either side to finish the trial this week, it is now admitted that the hearing will go over into next week.

The arguments on the question of the admissibility of certain testimony relative to the defendant's sanity, which were begun yesterday afternoon, were resumed this morning. The testimony under consideration is the opinions of George F. Suppes and William W. Rollo, who have known the defendant for twelve or thirteen years. Both of these witnesses testified that they always considered Thom as "queer." This opinion, they said, was gained from their daily intercourse with him.

Counsel for the defense contended that the testimony of these witnesses should be submitted to the jury, which can take it for what it is worth.

District Attorney Gould said the testimony should be excluded because, as laymen, the witnesses are not competent to give an opinion as to the defendant's sanity or insanity. They are merely competent, Mr. Gould said, to state what the defendant did or did not do or to repeat what he said on certain occasions.

Justice Anderson did not give a final decision in the matter and the further testimony of the witnesses was postponed.

In their testimony yesterday these witnesses said that they knew Thom for many years and he always acted "peculiar." Mr. Suppes said that Thom made frequent mistakes in his delivery of bread, and nearly all the time made an incorrect count of the number of loaves to be sent out.

Mr. Rollo said that he visited Thom in the jail and the prisoner told him that his dead wife had been to see him. He also said that Thom often told him that if he, the defendant, had \$50,000,000 he would do nothing but travel around the world, smoke good cigars, and have a good time.

RETAINS THREE OF HIS PREDECESSOR'S STAFF

Governor-Elect Chamberlain, of Connecticut, Announces Appointments. Son to Be His Secretary.

HARTFORD, Conn., Dec. 12.—Governor-elect Chamberlain today announced the following appointments: Executive secretary, Alfred R. Chamberlain, of Meriden, the governor's son. Commissary general, Mathewson W. Potter, of Deep River. Quartermaster general, Watson J. Miller, of Shelton. Paymaster general, Matthew H. Rogers, of Bridgeport. Judge advocate general, W. B. Smith, of Winsted. Surgeon general, Dr. Charles C. Godfrey, of Bridgeport. Potter, Rogers, and Miller are members of the retiring staff of Governor McLean.

INDIAN ASSOCIATION CLOSES ITS SESSIONS

Numerous Recommendations to Congress Made.

The closing session of the convention of the National Indian Association was held this morning at the Church of the Covenant. The meeting was devoted to the report of the committee on resolutions and discussion of the extension of the work.

Addresses were made by Dr. M. E. Gates, secretary of the board of Indian commissioners; William E. Jones, Commissioner of Indian Affairs, and S. M. Brasius of this city.

An interesting paper on "The Best Work of the Field Matron," written by Mrs. L. W. W. Quimby, of Tacoma, Wash., was read by one of the members.

Resolutions reported were as follows: Vote of thanks to Congress, Secretary of the Interior, and the commissioners for the great progress already made in Indian elevation and citizenship; second, continued petitions for civil service reform to be applied throughout the Indian service; third, for payments of debts due from Government to Indians, such payment to be made to the individuals; fourth, trust patents for lands to be made independent of any power of annulment by any Indian official; fifth, special appeal for relief of Navajo Indians and for provision for their self-support; sixth, allotment of land of New York Indian reservation; seventh, common school education of all the Indian youth; eighth, earnest appeal for the support of all Christians and patriots for missionary work among Indians.

This meeting finishes all the work of the convention. Most of the out-of-town delegates will take their departure this afternoon, while some will remain over for a day or two.

The delegates of the association participated in one of the social features of the convention last evening. A brilliant reception in their honor was given by Commissioner and Mrs. William A. Jones at their home, 1220 Vermont Avenue, which was largely attended.

HAD NARROW ESCAPE.

Mrs. Frank S. Gannon, wife of General Manager Gannon, of the Southern Railway, narrowly escaped death from a collision between her carriage and a street car on Connecticut Avenue yesterday afternoon. The carriage was overturned and Mrs. Gannon was unable to extricate herself. She received several painful bruises. She was carried to her home, 2725 Columbia Road, where she is resting easily. The carriage was damaged about \$100 and the horse was badly injured. Conductor Eugene Wood and Motorman Frank Richardson were in charge of the car, No. 315 Washington Traction Company.

MISSOURI SOCIETY TO MEET.

A pleasing program has been arranged by the Missouri Society for its fortnightly meeting Saturday evening. Hon. Richard Bartholdt, of St. Louis, will make an address, and there will be music, recitations, refreshments and dancing. The Missourians in Washington have built up a large society and its members find great pleasure in their meetings where old acquaintances are renewed and strangers in Washington from that State are made to feel at home. The society meets at 19 Sixth Street northwest, and all Missourians are invited to attend and take part.

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Gift Neckwear. Boxed Free. Fancy Silk Scarfs, in Tecks, Four-in-Hands, Clubs, and Batwings, exclusive and in the same quality of silk usually used in making up the Neckwear. Each Scarf will be boxed separately if desired. Choice. 25c.

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