

### COMMITTEE ABETS LYING, SAYS WITNESS

#### tariff Hearings Less Than Half Truth, Declares H. E. Miles.

### HAD CONFERENCE WITH JUDGE TAFT

#### Dalzell and Payne Are Running a Bluff, It Is Assorted.

RACINE, Wis., Dec. 20.—Declaring that no legislative body in the world ever put such a premium upon lying, half truth, and unsupported evidence, as is being done by the Ways and Means Committee of Congress, now engaged in revising the tariff, H. E. Miles, of the Manufacturers' Association, today scored Chairman Payne and Mr. Dalzell for their attempt to frame a new bill which would not differ materially from the Dingley law.

Mr. Miles recently appeared before the committee after a conference at Hot Springs with Judge Taft, and it was generally admitted at that time that he presented to the committee views on the question of tariff revision which had the hearty indorsement of the President-elect.

Referring, today, to his appearance before the committee, Mr. Miles said he met great opposition from the committee, because he argued that it was just as much to the interest of the nation to protect the consumer as to protect the manufacturer. A tariff of which the manufacturer was the sole beneficiary, he declared, was worse than useless and he himself, though a manufacturer, pleaded for the consumer that he says the committee is apparently disposed to get at the facts, but without any machinery to aid in this end, it is unable to secure the absolute truth, and the witness who can make the most plausible explanation of his position is the one who is most likely to win.

In this way the committee, he declared, was placing a premium upon falsehood. He added that the committee has collected nothing on the subject but treasury tabulations, and the statements of interested parties. No proof that is absolutely dependable has been adduced, and it was only within a short time that the committee had required testimony to be given under oath. He says that until the committee starts with an absolutely clean slate, and requires absolute proof of the need of protection its work is useless. The public, he added, would demand this course eventually, so the present hearings are not getting down to the real beginning of the work.

"That the tariff situation is daily changing for the better," Mr. Miles continues, "there is no question. That Mr. Payne and Mr. Dalzell thought to give the public the satisfaction of a peremptory hearing, and then get to work and frame a new schedule that would not differ materially from the old is my belief. Nowhere in the world has legislative procedure put such a premium upon lying and half truth and unsupported evidence."

### SURPRISE THEATER HAS SPECIAL BILL

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### Died

- BAKER**—Suddenly on Friday, December 18, 1908, at her residence, Capitol Heights, Md., ELIZA J., beloved wife of Isaac M. Baker.
- BERNARD**—On December 18, 1908, CATHERINE BERNARD, aged seventy-three.
- BLAKENEY**—On Saturday, December 12, 1908, at 5 p. m., at his residence, 215 12th street northwest, THOMAS C. BLAKENEY, beloved husband of the late Martha K. Austin.
- CARR**—On Friday, December 18, 1908, at Emergency Hospital, Prof. WILLIAM H. CARR.
- COPENHAVER**—On Saturday, December 19, 1908, infant son of Eugene C. and Gertrude Copenhaver.
- EXALL**—Entered into rest on December 17, 1908, at 7 a. m. WALTER EXALL, (now Davis), beloved wife of Turner Patterson Exall, in her fifty-ninth year.
- LEAHY**—On Saturday, December 19, 1908, DENNIS LEAHY, beloved son of Katherine and the late Dennis Leahy, a native of County Cork, Ireland.
- FITZGERALD**—Suddenly on Saturday, December 19, 1908, WILLIAM H. FITZGERALD, beloved husband of Maggie Kane Fitzgerald.
- Remains at J. T. Clement's undertaking establishment, Thirty-second street, Washington, D. C.
- MITCHELL**—On December 18, 1908, at her residence, 14 I street northeast, MARY FRANCES MITCHELL, in her eightieth year.
- Mrs. Mary Frances Mitchell was seventy-five years old and a life-long resident of the District of Columbia. She was the daughter of the late Patrick O'Donoghue and was a member of an old and prominent Georgetown family. She is survived by three sisters, Miss Elizabeth, Miss Ella O'Donoghue and Miss Catherine O'Donoghue, the latter a sister in a convent at De Sales, Md. Mrs. Mitchell had been a long-time communicant of St. Aloysius' Catholic Church.
- MURPHY**—On Friday, December 18, 1908, at 12:06 o'clock p. m., at 205 K street northwest, MARY F. MURPHY, beloved daughter of James J. and Mary A. Murphy.
- PHILLIPS**—On Saturday, December 19, 1908, BEULAH JEANNETTE, only daughter of Ida and Flagler Phillips, aged five months.
- SIMPSON**—On Saturday, December 19, 1908, at 4 p. m., at his residence, 1209 Rhode Island avenue northwest, THOMAS P. SIMPSON, aged eighty-two years.

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### CARDINAL GIBBONS HEARD BY HUNDREDS

#### Yuletide Sermon Preached at St. Peter's Church This Morning, When Large Class Is Confirmed and Communion Is Given.

"May God, our Saviour, give you grace to enjoy a happy Christmas and a virtuous New Year, through Christ, Our Lord, Amen."

Such was the theme of the Yuletide sermon delivered by Cardinal Gibbons today at St. Peter's Church, at Second and C streets southeast. The distinguished prelate had spent the greater part of the day in the edifice. He celebrated mass at 7 o'clock and gave holy communion to many members of the congregation. After breakfast and a short rest, the cardinal again appeared in church for the high mass at 10:30 o'clock, and delivered a sermon, and this afternoon he is administering the sacrament of confirmation to a class of 375. The majority of these were boys and girls, but there were a number of men and women who joined the children in their solemn march to the altar railing, to receive the pat upon the cheek from the hand of the most distinguished dignitary of the Roman Catholic Church in the United States.

**Quotes From St. John.**  
In his sermon this morning, Cardinal Gibbons quoted at length from the teachings of St. John the Baptist. Quietly but impressively he told his hearers of the spiritual preparations they should make in order that they might participate properly in the annual celebration of the birth of Christ. "Fill up all the deficiencies of the soul," said the cardinal, "if you wish to prepare properly for the coming of Christ. Our pride must be subdued; our self-esteem and false ambitions must be put aside. There must be an end to double dealing, deceit and all other things that go to cause friction between our fellow-men. All of this must be done if the precepts of John the Baptist are to be followed and we are to be worthy to participate in the joyous celebration of Christ's birth."

**Relationship With God.**  
"Great leaders of antiquity thought that they were the descendants of God; they informed the people that they could do no wrong because of that relationship. But the relationship between God and man is the same today as it was a thousand years ago. We are the children of God, and God is our Father. Upon the occasion of the Christmas celebration our souls and hearts should be pure. Therefore, should you be tempted to commit a great sin say to yourself, 'I am the child of God; I was born to better things.'"  
"Remember that you are not merely the servant of the Master, but rather that you are the child of the Father."  
"Remember that it is better to put

your faith in the Father and pray to Him for assistance than to live in fear of the Master."

**Petty Jealousies.**  
The cardinal then condemned the petty jealousies of everyday life. "How prone we are," he said, "to treasure in our hearts a fancied hatred or grievance toward our fellow-men. Do not say that it is cowardly not to resent an insult or to retaliate when you are struck a blow. I say to you that it is the highest standard of manhood to forgive. Any dog will bark, when barked at; wild animals strike back when they are struck at, but a true Christian will forgive the man who does him an injury and be better for it."

In this connection Cardinal Gibbons paid a beautiful tribute to the many qualities which go to make up the character of a woman. "Woman," said the eminent prelate, "is the noblest creature of God's creation. She is the most self-sacrificing, and day in and day out she is ready to suffer pain and anguish when she believes that her duty requires it."

**Church Attendance.**  
In bringing his sermon to a close, the Cardinal urged upon the congregation the necessity for constant attendance at church.

"At this Christmas season," he said, "it is customary for the boys and girls away at seminaries, academies and colleges to return to their homes, to sit at the paternal table and be joyful. Do not forget that your Father invites you to His home every Sunday. Instead of leaning on a reed—on each other—come here and lean on Christ—unburden your souls at the sacrifice of the mass. And when the spirit of God has entered your soul, resolve that you will never again return to your former life of sin."

"May God, our Saviour, give you grace to enjoy a happy Christmas and a virtuous New Year, through Christ our Lord, Amen."

**Dines at Rectory.**  
"At the conclusion of the solemn high mass Cardinal Gibbons went to the rectory of St. Peter's, where he took dinner with the parish priests. Later in the afternoon he again went to the church, where the 375 candidates for the sacrament of confirmation were awaiting him. Clad in the elaborate robes of his office, and carrying the shepherd's crook, he passed up and down the altar railing, administering the sacrament. At the conclusion of this ceremony he gave religious instruction to those who had just received the full rites of the church, after which he pronounced benediction upon the entire congregation.

### PREACHER REQUESTS SERMON SUBJECTS

#### Gets Wide Variety of Suggestions, But All Suggest the Word.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The Rev. Dr. Carl D. Case, pastor of the Delaware Avenue Baptist Church, one of the fashionable churches of this city, has appealed to the public for subjects for his sermons. He reported this morning that the suggestions were varied indeed, and that everything was submitted from the most orthodox to the most scientific. Some appealed for sermons on current subjects and advised the preacher to draw lessons from present day life in society. He announced that all of the suggestions together had suggested one subject to him and that was "Preach the word."

Dr. Case took the position that the Bible and gospel of Christ were up to date, and that it was the duty of all preachers of the gospel to base their preaching on Biblical truth.

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### HEAD OF SEMINARY TO WED TOMORROW

#### J. W. Rowland, of Forest Glen, Will Marry Kindergarten Teacher.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 19.—Joseph Wellington Rowland, superintendent of the National Park Seminary, at Forest Glen, Washington, D. C., and Miss Florence Bacon Smith, a popular teacher of kindergarten in this city, will be married tomorrow evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Seth W. Smith, by the Rev. Dr. C. L. Slatery, rector of Christ Episcopal Church. The ceremony will be attended only by relatives, but the reception will have several hundred guests.

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#### Days Overdue, Canadian and Cambria Limp Into Port.

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ago, her sides battered and riving torn to shreds, the Boston schooner M. C. Stetson is foundering helplessly in heavy seas, abandoned and a total loss. Her crew were rescued by the Dominion Atlantic Line Steamship Boston after they had resigned themselves to the unlucky mariner's fate. They endured, the Stetson seamen were brought into this port this afternoon. Since early yesterday morning every man aboard the disabled schooner worked feverishly at the pumps to keep the vessel afloat. She had become unmanageable, and had sprung a leak, and the crew worked desperately. In the hope that some passing ship would discern their plight and rescue them, The Boston, bound homeward from Yarmouth, sighted the wrecked schooner, and, after a perilous effort, transferred the entire crew to safety. Captain Sims of the Boston personally superintended the work of rescue, and the passengers of the steamship lined the rail and cheered the seamen's efforts.

### BLACKHAND PLOT AROUSES THE POLICE

#### Western New York Man Is Threatened With Being Blown Up.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 20.—The police of this section of the State are engaged trying to solve an alleged "Black Hand" mystery which was given birth in Canasoga, and arrests are apt to be made at any moment today. When James Mapes, a prominent business man of that village, went to his office he found a letter on his desk demanding that \$500 be placed under the platform of the Erie railway station, or his office and himself would be "blown to pieces."

### FIREBUG SUSPECT

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 20.—Mrs. Ida C. Cushman, Toledo society woman, charged with setting fire to her residence on Willard avenue by the State fire marshal department, with attempt to defraud the National Insurance Company of Cincinnati, was bound over to the grand jury. Bail was fixed today at \$500, after an agreement among the attorneys.

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Daniels has been living at 21 F street northwest, the home in front of which Reed's body was found.

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  - Ladies' 15-button \$2.50 Gloves; all shades..... **\$2.85**
  - Men's Heavy Walking Gloves, in tan and gold..... **\$1.50**
  - Men's 2-clasp Dress Real Kid Gloves..... **\$2.00**
  - Misses' 2-clasp Glace Gloves, in white and tan... **\$1.00**
  - Boys' 1-clasp Walking Gloves, in tan, beige and gray mocha... **\$1.00 and \$1.25**
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- Ladies' Chiffon Gauze Lisle Hosiery; medium and light weights; black and all colors; high spliced heel. **35c; 3 pr. for \$1.00**
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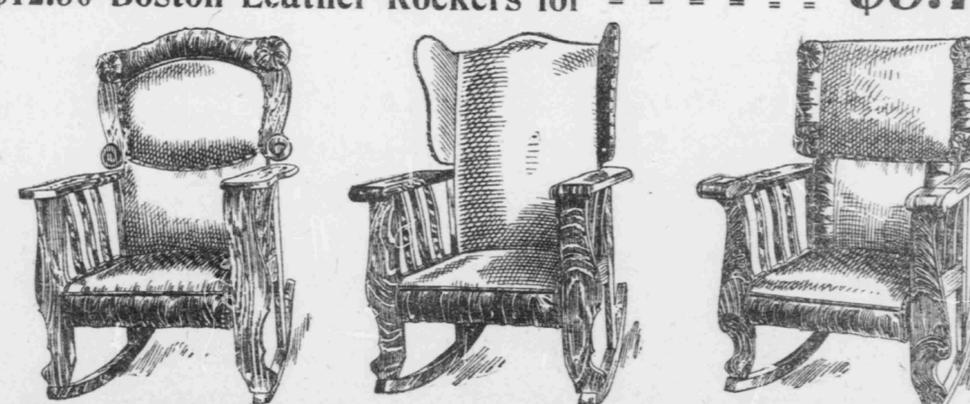
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