

COX
Controls the Senate.
His Ripper Bill Passes by Large Margin.
One Senator Confessed It Was Outrageous,
But Voted For the Bill Just the Same.
Senator Sieber Spoke and Voted For the Bill.

(Special Correspondence.)
Columbus, O., Feb. 15.—The Cox Ripper bill for Cincinnati was passed by the Senate late this afternoon by a vote of 18 to 13.
Senators Brown and Harbaugh were the only Republican Senators voting against it. Senators Nippert, Sieber and Harding spoke and voted for the bill.
Senators Copen, Long, Harbough and Brown spoke against it.
Senator Harding frankly acknowledged the bill to be an outrage upon the people of Cincinnati, but he defended his position by saying that it was a purely party measure.
The vote upon the Cox bill is taken as a forecast of the way the Senate will vote to defeat the Clark local option bill. The liberal use of the party lash accomplishes this result.

AGREED
That an Injunction be Granted Beckham.
Unlooked For Mora in Kentucky Governorship Fight.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 15.—(Sp.)—Chas. Wilson, one of Beckham's lawyers, said at 1:30 o'clock that the Democratic attorneys for Beckham had agreed that Judge CINTRILL would grant Beckham an injunction today against Taylor without any motion being made by Beckham's attorneys. This is regarded as a queer development.

POISON
Given a Southern Husband—Couple Arrested.

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 15.—(Sp.)—Mrs. Bella Craddock and Eldridge Dawkins are under arrest here on the charge of poisoning Wm. Craddock, husband of the former. Craddock died yesterday and a certificate of death from grip was given and he was about to be buried when an investigation was made. The body had turned black from arsenic. The husband and wife were about 25 years old, Craddock being a merchant and banker. Dawkins is 18 and had been a frequent visitor at the Craddock home till ordered away by the husband. He is reported to have visited the place when Craddock was away on business. Three negro women testify that the woman had expressed a desire to get rid of her husband. The spot left the house a week ago, saying she did not wish to see the murder done. A negro servant says the poison was administered to Craddock in his coffee. Dawkins attempted to kill himself when taken to jail. He is of good family.

MURDER.
Young Man Accused of Killing His Aged Wife.

Newport News, Va., Feb. 15.—(Sp.)—Wm. J. Garland was jailed today on a charge of murder. His wife was found dead at her home in Phoebus. The coroner found that a needle had been thrust through her heart. Garland is thirty. His wife was seventy and owned considerable real estate.
The couple were married six months ago in Camden, N. J.

PIONEER
Died Early Thursday Morning From Heart Trouble.

Henry C. Gale, died at his residence on Gale's Hill, west Exchange st., early Thursday morning. Death came after an illness of six weeks and was due to heart trouble and dropsy.
Mr. Gale had lived in Akron all his life and was one of the pioneers of the county. He was aged 66 years, 1 month and 25 days. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. W. H. Montenyold and Miss Jennie A. Gale.
Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Burial

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SETTLEMENT.
County and State
Divide Money Collected as Taxes.
Amount Credited to Each of the Funds.
Treasurers Fees and Inquistor's Annual Stipend.
Large Sum Comes Under the Head of Delinquents.

The February settlement sheet has been completed by Deputy Auditor Buckman. It shows the division of taxes collected in January by Treasurer Berger.

The total amount received was \$376,724.72.

It is distributed as follows:

Funds	1900.	1800.
Sinking	\$ 5,225.05	
University	2,438.31	
General	24,383.47	
School	17,416.80	
Total	\$40,468.63	\$ 52,375.71

County:

General	\$ 37,446.29	
Poor	17,500.92	
Bridge	8,790.08	
Building	1,450.49	
Indigent sold's	34,484.35	
Road	14,115.38	
Township	9,017.40	
School	116,117.40	
Special	6,870.06	
City & village	112,160.74	
Total county	\$27,261.09	\$945,245.43

Grand total, \$76,724.72 \$997,621.14

The delinquent tax amounts to \$243,479.32, divided as follows: Personal, \$226,740.37; real estate, \$16,738.95.

The treasurer's fees were \$2,588.53 and the inquisitor's, \$2,400.

The state returns \$15,069.70 to the county, making the net amount turned over to the state, \$33,684.61.

RECEPTION
Held at the First Baptist Church,
In Honor of the Congregations New Pastor, Rev. A. B. Coats.

A reception was given Wednesday evening by the congregation of the First Baptist church to the new pastor, Rev. A. B. Coats. It was attended by 300 people.
The reception was held from 6 to 8. Shortly after 8 o'clock supper was served. H. C. Corson was master of ceremonies, and toasts were given as follows:
"Welcome on Behalf of the Church," D. A. James; "Welcome on Behalf of the Y. P. S. C. E.," S. L. Warner; "Our Ladies," Miss Mattie Jones; "The Choir," Prof. N. L. Glover; "Our neighbors," Rev. C. E. Keller.
Judge J. A. Kohler paid a tribute to the older members of the church, and Irving Belford, of Toledo, clerk of the United States Circuit court, complimented the work done by Rev. Mr. Coats, during a six months' pastorate in Toledo. The concluding talk was by Rev. Mr. Coats.
All present spoke of the reception as being one of the most prominent social events within the history of the church.
The Mothers and Teachers' Circle of the Howe school will meet Friday afternoon at 3:10. Supt. Thomas will give a talk on the subject: "Discipline, or how shall we govern our children?"
Mrs. W. B. Miller, has returned from a visit in Buffalo.
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Toy will remove to Barberton this spring.
M. R. Hayne of New Haven, Conn., was in Akron Wednesday.
Mrs. A. Work and daughter Dorothy have returned from Brooklyn, N. Y.
Mrs. J. C. Bloomfield will entertain Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. J. A. Kohler, it being the latter's birthday.
Francis Seiberling is in Oberlin on business.
C. T. Grant is in Cleveland today.
Miss Mary Condit left this morning to visit with her sister, Mrs. John Coats, of Titusville, Pa.

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EYE SIGHT
Destroyed by Fumes
Arising From The Match Works Waste.

An Affidavit Filed In Shumway Case.
Harry Myers Was Given a Verdict For \$5,000.

Heirs of George Ley Disagree—Court House News.
The damage case of Margaret Burke vs. The Diamond Match company is on trial in Common Pleas court.
The plaintiff asks \$5,000 damages, because of alleged injury to the health of herself and family. A ditch, running from the Diamond Match works, empties into Wolf Creek near her home. It carries away waste material from the defendant's plant. The fumes arising from this, are alleged to have done the damage. Since the action was commenced, a little daughter of the plaintiff has become blind. Mrs. Burke will claim that this affliction is a result of the nuisance of which she complains. The jury went to Barberton this morning to view the premises.

AFFIDAVIT FILED.
An affidavit was filed Thursday by the plaintiffs in the proceeding to oust Court-landman Dwight Shumway of Cuyahoga Falls. It is sworn to by E. M. Young, another member of the municipal board. The affidavit will be used in support of the motion for a new trial. Mr. Young alleges that he had a conversation with the defendant, Shumway, immediately after a session of the Council, last September. During the talk, they referred to the illegal bill which is alleged to have been presented for Shumway's services as rodman, under City Engineer Robinson. Young says that during their talk Shumway admitted he had worked as rodman and that the bill for his services was included in the pay ordinance.
The following conversation is alleged to have taken place:
"What had I better do about it?" Shumway asked.
"I think they have got you, Shum," was the answer.
"Then you think I better not take the money for this work?"
"No, but what will you do about the money you got out of the first bill?"
"Why, I can pay that back."
Mr. Young will be used as a witness in the next hearing of the case. If the motion for a new trial is granted, a DAMAGE.
The jury in the damage case of Harry Myers vs. The Falls Rly. & Machine company returned a verdict Wednesday afternoon, for the plaintiff, giving him \$5,000. Atterholt, Marvin & Rogers and Hon. Asa Jones represented the plaintiff.
LEY WILL.
The heirs of the estate of George Ley, were in Probate court Thursday, the time set for the hearing on the probating of the will. There is every prospect of a contest. It is alleged that one of the witnesses to the will did not know what he was signing when he affixed his signature to the will.
PROBATE COURT.
The sale of a lot on S. Main st to Kraus, Kirm & Company for \$3,750 has been approved. It was owned by A. Jackson.
The will of Jennie Underwood has been approved. She gives all her property to her sister, Ad.

FOUR NEW WELLS
Will be Drilled by Akron Oil Company.
Its Field Is Yielding a Weekly Profit of \$500.

Lewis Andrews of the Akron Oil Company, is at Lima, O., today in the interests of the company whose wells at that place are being operated in a very profitable manner.
It is estimated that the profits of the company are each week in excess of \$500, aggregating a clear total of over \$20,000 a year.
It is the intention of the company to drill four new wells in its field, and work on the enterprise will begin this spring.
BUTCHERS' CARD OF THANKS.
The Akron Retail Butchers' Protective Association desires to formally express its thanks to the women who so generously and cleverly aided the association in preparing and serving the banquet at Music Hall Wednesday night, and also to express its appreciation of the splendid patronage given the banquet and bill by Akron's best and most prominent citizens.
Retail Butchers' Protective Association.
The Democrat prints all the local news.

ANNUAL MEETING
Of Werner Company Being Held at Cleveland Today.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Werner Company is being held this afternoon at the Hollenden hotel in Cleveland.
It is said that very few, if any, changes will be made in the official board of the company.
Use Democrat want column. It pays.

\$2,000,000
Involved In Action
Against Directors of Canadian Copper Co.

Fraud and Conspiracy Are Both Alleged.
Attorney Charles Howland Filed the Petition.
He is Stockholder in Vermillion Mining Company.

Another sensational action, involving \$2,000,000, growing out of Canadian mining ventures was filed in Common Pleas court Thursday.
Charles H. Howland, an attorney at Cuyahoga Falls, is the plaintiff. He sues on behalf of himself and the other stockholders of the Vermillion Mining company. Many Akron people are interested parties. The property is located in Ontario, Canada.
The action, in many respects, is similar to the one recently instituted by Lewis Ritchie. The defendants are George G. Allen, Stevenson Burke, Henry P. McIntosh, Charles W. Bingham, Stevenson Burke, trustee, Canadian Copper Mining company, Anglo-American Iron company and Charles Baird and T. B. Wright, executors of the will of Thomas W. Cornell. Allen, Burke, McIntosh and Bingham are directors of the Canadian and Vermillion companies.
The Vermillion Mining company was incorporated Feb. 21, 1888. It was capitalized at \$2,000,000. The petition alleges that the directors of the Canadian Copper Mining company being apprehensive that it would become a rival of that corporation, devised a plan for purchasing a controlling interest in it. To carry out this plan they entered into an agreement with T. W. Cornell, whereby he purchased 2296 shares of the stock of the Vermillion company. These shares were transferred to him as trustee. Prior to his death, it is alleged, he entered into a conspiracy to elect as directors, only those who were antagonistic to the interests of the Vermillion company. As his compensation, for this, he received a large amount of stock in the Canadian Copper company, returning dividends of from \$125,000 to \$150,000. The executors of his estate are alleged to be liable because of their assistance in the scheme since Mr. Cornell's death. Judge Burke is now trustee of the Vermillion company stock, formerly held by Cornell. The plaintiff says the defendants willfully and fraudulently refuse and neglect to work the mines in order to reap greater personal gain from the Canadian Copper company property. He claims that they have sent armed mobs to drive away parties who were examining the property with a view of purchasing, that the walls of the mine shaft have been blasted and the mine closed, in order to keep the outside world in ignorance of the enormous wealth of the property. He alleges it contains deposits of mickle, copper, platinum, gold and silver, that would if mined, pay dividends of 150 per cent on the capital stock. He says there is \$88,000 on hand to develop the property. Because of the above injuries he asks \$1,350,000 damages.
In the second and third causes of action he alleges that Judge Burke has circulated false statements of the property, claiming that it is worthless. He fears the Crown will declare the company's lease forfeited because of non-use. This is made the basis for an additional claim of \$750,000. He asks that the trusteeship of Judge Burke be dissolved that he be enjoined from voting any of the stock that he holds.
S. J. Ritchie, who was at the Hotel Buchtel Thursday, was interviewed on the matter by a Democrat reporter. He said:
"Neither my wife nor myself are connected with this suit of Howland's against the Vermillion Mining company. We have brought a suit against them. We have brought a suit against the company in the Common Pleas court at Cleveland. But it has no connection with Howland's suit filed here. The Vermillion Mining company is an Ontario corporation organized in Canada in 1888. The incorporators organized to mine for gold and sunk a small shaft upon a quartz vein from which they took the richest specimens I have ever seen. I myself had a

piece of this gold quartz weighing only five and one-half ounces from which forty-two dollars (42) in fine gold was taken. The quartz vein was lost, but the property contained something far more valuable than the gold vein. The richest copper and nickel ore ever found in Canada was found upon the property but the incorporators cared nothing about copper and nickel. They wanted gold or nothing. Other parties learned about the wonderful richness of this copper and nickel ore and were about to buy the property. Fearing this property would fall into the hands of a rival against which they could not compete, the officials of the Canadian Copper company bought up this stock, and sold it to the Copper company receiving pay for it in the stock of the Copper company. The president of the Copper company has assumed to act as trustee for both the Copper company and the Vermillion company in the holding of this stock. No work has ever been done upon this property since the Copper company has secured control of its stock, although its ores are by far the richest of any ever found in Canada. The mine contains in addition to the nickel and copper, gold, platinum and many of the rare metals never before found together in any known mine in the world. The charter of the company provides that if the property be kept idle at any one time for three years that it shall be forfeited and if kept idle for seven years the lands shall revert to the Crown. No work has ever been done upon the property during the ten (10) years it has been under the control of the Copper company, hence these suits. Both the Canadian Copper company and the Anglo-American Iron company are mixed up with and involved in these suits as they are both interested in the ownership of this Vermillion company stock. One trouble is that neither the Copper company nor the Iron company had any right under the laws of Ohio or of Canada to purchase the stock of this Vermillion company which is a Canadian corporation.
"Howland has been spending most of his time in Canada during the last eighteen (18) months, and has gathered together some very valuable copper and nickel lands and has organized a Canadian corporation to work them, and is very familiar with the whole situation, but as already stated, I have no interests in his company or in this suit."

ATTORNEY SMITH
Says There Are Two Sides to Gibbs Case—A Card.
"Editor Democrat: In yesterday's issue of your paper I saw a sensational article in which it was stated that J. L. Gibbs appeared before the Board of City Commissioners and charged Police Officer Veoa with having alienated from him the affections of his wife. In justice to Mrs. Gibbs, who is unable at the present time to defend herself from the charge thus indirectly made against her, it should be said that some two months ago, she brought suit against her husband for divorce, and that up on the hearing of the case the public will be enabled to determine from the testimony introduced whether or not there is any foundation for the charges made.
B. M. SMITH."

Special Shoe Sale.. Still Continues.
The people are taking advantage of the Extraordinary Bargains we are offering in Reliable Footwear.
Nowhere Are Such Bargains Offered

400 pairs of Men's \$2.50 to \$4 Shoes	\$1.00
400 pairs of Ladies' \$2 to \$3 Shoes, sizes 2 1-2 to 4	.75
400 pairs Ladies' \$2 to \$3 Shoes, sizes 2 1-2 to 4, better style	\$1.00
200 pairs Women's Oxfords, small sizes	.50
100 pairs Women's Up-to-Date \$4 Shoes, all sizes—great value	\$3.00

These are all the best makes of Shoes. Sale will continue to March 1st only. All goods sold for CASH ONLY during this sale.

JOHN ALLEN
158 South Main Street.
N. B.—The famous Baker & Bowman \$4 shoes during this sale at \$3.25.

RECEIVER
Will Take Charge
Of Assets of S. E. Phinney and Company.
An Order Issued Appointing C. T. Grant.
Claims That Will be Made by the Creditors
Relative to Money Received During Last Year.

An order was issued Wednesday by the United States District court, appointing C. F. Grant receiver of S. E. Phinney. He filed a \$10,000 bond today.
He will take charge of the business until a trustee has been appointed. This leaves Assignee Francis Seiberling without any authority in the case.
The creditors will make the following claims in reference to Mr. Phinney's assets—Last March, when he purchased the interest in the business of Mr. Wagoner, he paid him \$2,200, an indication that the property was worth \$8,400, above all indebtedness. During the year he has received \$7,200 from insurance companies, the cash surrender value of life insurance policies. By the sale of the property of the Akron Street Railway & Illuminating Company in May, 1899, he cleared \$2,193. The sale of the Howard st. store to McKelvey & Co. of Youngstown in January brought in \$2,300. They will insist on knowing what disposition was made of this money.
A. A. Leighton, a shoe manufacturer, was given judgment against Mr. Phinney in Justice Campbell's court for \$233.77, Thursday.
A replevin action, filed by A. W. Tedlaste & Co., in Squire Hoffman's court has been dismissed.

THEATRE
At Summit Lake Park to be Improved—New Dance Hall.
The theater at Summit Lake park will be improved this spring and the capacity increased by 400 seats.
Two hundred extra reserved chairs will be added.
Menches Bros. will also erect a dancing hall, 40x80, in the park. Work on the hall will begin not later than April 1. It is the intention of the proprietors of the park to fit up the grounds in a manner to attract excursion parties, as excursion parties will be made one of the leading features next season.
The Democrat prints all the local news.

LATE LOCALS.
The funeral of George F. Allen will be held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, at the residence of G. C. Briggs, 108 Coventry st. Interment in Glendale cemetery.
The special meetings in progress at Grace M. E. church are growing in attendance and interest. The Wednesday evening services was conducted by the Epworth League. A larger congregation was present. A deep interest in this meeting was manifest from the beginning.
Judge J. A. Kohler granted a divorce to the defendant in the case entitled Clara M. Wilson vs. George H. Wilson, Thursday. The decree was granted on a cross-petition. Defendant was given care and control of two minor children.
John B. Weller was given a default judgment for \$10 against E. J. Hammer in Common Pleas court Thursday. Hammer failed to appear.
DEATHS.
GALE—Henry C. Gale, aged 66 years, 1 month and 25 days, died Thursday on West Exchange st. Death was due to heart failure and dropsy. Funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial private.
MARRIAGE LICENSES.
William Harris, jr., Akron.....31
Mary A. Metz, Akron.....29
Groom's occupation laborer.
Chas. W. J. Barlickman, Barberton...21
Martha Southwell, Barberton.....21
Groom's occupation, driller.
Ernest A. Whiteman, Akron.....26
Sophia K. Steckham, Akron.....26
Groom's occupation, printer.
Blighted Hopes.
The boy was ambitious and replied that he would like to be paid \$2.50 a week to start with.
But his employer was a hard man. "I will pay you \$18 a week," said this person brusquely.
So were the boy's aspirations crushed. He could not hope ever to become a rich man after beginning his career with any such respectable salary as that.—Detroit Journal.
Do Women Ever Waste Any Time?
She—It is said that one woman and a sewing machine will do the work of a dozen women.
He—I can readily understand why that is possible.
She—Why is it?
He—A woman doesn't waste any time talking to a sewing machine.—Chicago News.
Economics.
"We're all equal," said the earnest citizen. "One man's vote doesn't count for any more than another's."
"Of course not," answered Senator Sothum. "That's the great principle that enables us to keep the price down and make quantity take the place of quality."—Washington Star.
Her Peculiar Way of Looking.
"And you feel sure that my daughter looks with favor upon your suit?" inquired the aged parent.
"Well," replied the youth with engaging frankness, "I don't want to be too sure about it. Of course you are aware that your daughter equals."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.
Certain of It.
Wabash (at the club)—Oh, by the way, I've got a good story to tell you, old man. I'm sure I never told it to you before.
Dearborn—You are positive it's a good one, are you?
Wabash—Certainly, I—
Dearborn (resignedly)—Go ahead, then. You never told it to me.—Chicago News.