



WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 19, 1906.

As was stated yesterday, under the regulation adopted to put into effect the free alcohol bill which was passed by Congress last session it has been found that the distillers' trust has a practical monopoly of the manufacture of denatured alcohol.

WITH the view of better regulating the attendance of Senators and Representatives and making them pay for their absence from the daily sessions of Congress, Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, yesterday introduced a bill, which will probably never be passed, although it created a great deal of comment, good-natured and otherwise, among members.

SECRETARY HITCHCOCK, of the Interior Department, in his annual report, in speaking of his investigation of land frauds, says he has not considered either the station or the power of the guilty, excepting to regard the higher offender as the greater criminal.

IT was stated by Mr. Hale on the floor of the Senate yesterday, during the debate on a bill to increase the artillery corps, that two-thirds of the revenues of the country are devoted to the payment of burdens of past wars and expenditures for future wars, and that other branches of the government are stunted for money because the army and navy are constantly increasing their demands.

IT was testified in the Shea trial, in Chicago, yesterday, that the Teamsters' Union strikers even stopped vehicles carrying supplies to hospitals. It has heretofore been shown that Shea ordered his men to break the legs and arms of those who opposed them and that he also directed his followers to throw acid on the horses of those teamsters that did not obey his orders.

From Washington. The commission is without authority under the law to deal effectively with the car shortage situation, declares the annual report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which was sent to Congress this afternoon.

tuted during the year is 82, relating directly to the rates and practices of 559 carriers. The commission recommends shorter hours for railway employees, saying that in the matter of long hours, the accident reports for the year 'have shown instances of even worse conditions than existed in former years.'

Senator Cannon has assigned Mr. Saunders from the Fifth Virginia district to the committee on elections No. 1 on miners and mining.

Senator Foraker was today instructed by the committee on foreign relations to report favorably the Geneva treaty amending the Red Cross regulations in regard to the care of wounded soldiers, etc.

Senator Foraker has proposed a congressional investigation of the discharge of the colored troops involved in the Brownsville affair.

Mr. Gregg, of Texas, a member of the House committee on naval affairs today introduced a bill to provide a means of coast defense for the gulf ports by the purchase of fifteen submarine torpedo boats.

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News of the Day.

The House of Representatives yesterday passed the Indian appropriation bill, carrying an appropriation of \$8,800,000.

North Carolina and Virginia furniture manufacturers yesterday argued a case before the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The Japanese consul at Honolulu says the Japanese squadron will not go to San Francisco, as originally intended, because of fear of a repetition of the Maine disaster.

Democratic leaders in the Senate intend to make the President's proposed centralization of power in the hands of the Federal government a political issue in the next campaign.

Senator Patterson introduced in the Senate yesterday a resolution for an investigation of the reports that a lobby has been endeavoring to influence matters relative to the Congo Free State.

Charles G. Washburn, republican, was elected representative in Congress yesterday for the Third Massachusetts district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rockwood Hoar. There was no opposition.

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Virginia News.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Benjamin Ferrell, of Marshall, and Annie Utterback.

The State corporation commission has postponed the hearing in the two-cent rate case, which was to have begun Saturday until some time in January.

C. P. Dean, well known in Richmond and the South as a manufacturer of pool and billiard tables, dropped dead in the Capitol square last night, while going from the library building to his home.

Mr. Graham F. Blandy, owner of 'The Tuletries,' and a well known cattle breeder of Clarke county, has sold for export to South America fourteen head of yearling Herefords for the sum of \$3,800.

Announcement was made in Winchester yesterday that the contract for the magnificent Handley Library, which is to be built in Winchester with funds bequeathed the city by the late Judge John Handley, of Soranton, Pa., has been awarded to the Manakin Construction Company, of Richmond, Va., at their bid of \$110,600.

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Today's Telegraphic News

Fire in Boston. Boston, Dec. 19.—A fierce fire, which endangers the whole shopping district, is raging in the square between Washington, Winter, Tremont and Brookfield streets. Flames were first discovered in the furniture store of Eldridge & Peabody. A general alarm has been sounded.

The fire started in the rear of the furniture store a difficult place for the firemen to reach. Unable to get at the blaze from the front, the firemen were forced to drag their hose through an alley-way, to reach the rear of the store.

In spite of firemen on the roof of the Orpheum Theatre, the flames caught there and in a short time they had eaten through the roofs and the section had caved in. The theatre is also in flames, and is doomed. The roof of the Phillips building is also in flames.

By the time the firemen had reached the top of the whole six floors of the furniture store were in flames. All floors are stocked with new goods and the excelsior in the packing boxes made food for the flames.

The flames then jumped to the old studio building adjoining, breaking through a fire wall. Then the Phillips building, occupied by Herrick Shoe Company and Allan and Brothers millinery, caught. The theatre and the Brookfield Methodist Episcopal Church came next.

A high wind is working the fire west. Hoseman Griffin tried to force his way into the flames on the second floor dragging a hose after him. He was overcome and but for the assistance of hoseman Bryan would have perished. Bryan carried him to the street on his shoulders.

Later two hot air explosions occurred in which fireman John Garrity, and Frank Holmes, of East Boston, and Mark I. Adams, of Roxbury, were badly cut by flying glass.

Garrity was seriously burned about the face. The first explosion occurred in the studio of John Nutting, on the fourth floor of the studio building. The second was in the rooms of the Hub Magazine Company.

At 11:30 the fire was under control. The principal damage is confined to the building, where it started. The loss is estimated at \$300,000.

Death of Bishop McCabe. New York, Dec. 19.—Bishop Charles C. McCabe, known better as 'Chaplain' McCabe, died today in the New York Hospital, from apoplexy with which he was stricken while passing through the city recently, while on his way to Philadelphia. Mrs. McCabe and the bishop's niece, who had been with him almost constantly, were at the bedside when the noted divine passed away.

Bishop McCabe was born at Athens, Ohio, October 11, 1833. He entered the Ohio Conference of the Methodist Church in 1850, and two years later became chaplain of the 122nd Ohio Infantry. He was captured at Winchester, and spent four months in Libby prison.

After the war he became pastor of a church in Portsmouth, Ohio, and later was associated with the Board of Church Extension. For more than thirty years he was popularly known as 'Chaplain' McCabe, and the title clung to him even after he had been made Bishop in 1896. Bishop McCabe was chosen chancellor of the American University at Washington in 1902.

Women's Cause. Washington, Dec. 19.—Incompatibility between Mrs. Roosevelt and Lady Durand is a reason given for the retirement from Washington of the present British Ambassador, Sir Mortimer Durand. Whether the story is true is not known, because those most concerned will say nothing about it.

Stocks Shuffling

New York, Dec. 19.—Throttled in the grip of a tight money squeeze, stocks are slumping in Wall street today, and a virtual 'rich man's' panic is in progress. Millions have already been lost in the six day crash which has forced many traders to the wall.

With the announcement of the one hundred million dollar stock issue of the St. Paul road, traders and pool operators rushed to get from under. Call money was ruling about 20 per cent, and the announcement that \$10,000,000 must be paid on St. Paul stock before the end of the year blated all hope on the monetary relief.

The Standard Oil crowd is reported on the floor of the stock exchange to have taken advantage of the situation to pound the market and bring out loosely held stock.

The Hill stocks have been under attack from bear operators for over a week, and today showed losses of 35 points in Great Northern and 25 points in Northern Pacific compared to the closing prices last Wednesday. The stock exchange floor was a seething mass of excited traders all day today.

Stock exchange houses without of town wire connections reported that hundreds of traders throughout the country unable to meet the calls for more margins, were forced to sell out and pocket losses reaching into the hundreds of thousands. Hundreds of shares of Great Northern stocks were dumped overboard this afternoon on all the way down to 193 a share, a loss of six points during the day.

Operators disappointed with the St. Paul melon, which they called a 'lemon,' sold the stock heavily causing another crash this morning. It ran down to 148, a loss of over seven points on the closing yesterday. The whole market was sagging and slumping this afternoon with St. Paul, Great Northern and Reading, the leaders in the decline.

Message on Brownsville Affair. Washington, Dec. 19.—In response to the Senate resolution of December 6, the Secretary of War today by the direction of President Roosevelt sent to the Senate, a statement, with several documents, and a letter of Gen. Nettleton and memoranda as to precedents for the summary discharge or mustering out of regiments or companies, some or all of the members of which had been guilty of misconduct. This was brought about by the President's action in regard to the colored troops at Brownsville, Tex.

The President gives a summary of the case against the colored soldiers, and his reasons for action. Accompanying the President's message to the Senate on the Brownsville affair, this afternoon is a letter from Secretary Taft transmitting the data requested of the War Department and commenting upon the alleged new evidence submitted to the Secretary by the 'Constitution League of the United States.' Says the Secretary, 'I have examined the new evidence with care and I do not find that there is anything contained in it which should lead to a different conclusion of fact from that stated in my annual report.'

Accompanying the report are reports of Maj. Augustus P. Blockson, Inspector-General's Department, Lieut. Col. Leonard A. Lovell, Fourth Infantry, acting Inspector-General, and Brig. Gen. Ernst A. Gaveling, Inspector-General, United States Army.

Administration Claims Victory. New York, Dec. 19. Both administration tickets probably won in the election in the New York and Mutual Life Insurance companies, which closed yesterday. The New York Life administration ticket claims practically by a victory of 100,000, and the Mutual says it has been sustained by a majority of 150,000. After forty or sixty days have been taken up with the counting, the policyholders' committee will carry the case into court for a decision on the allegation of fraud. In the New York Life 440,000 votes were cast, 520,000 policyholders failing to vote. In the Mutual election 345,000 voted and 345,000 failed to do so. The international policyholders' committee still claims both elections by small majorities, but it is believed by the administration woo.

British Ambassador Not Appointed. London, Dec. 19.—The correspondent of the Publishers Press was informed today on the highest diplomatic authority that no appointment of an Ambassador to the United States to succeed Sir Mortimer Durand has been made. In regard to the reported selection of James Bryce, the most that can be said is that his appointment is not unlikely. In this connection it is regarded as significant that he was invited yesterday to be the chief guest at the luncheon today given by the Commissioner General of the Jamestown Exposition to commemorate the sailing of the ships bearing colonists to the new world from Blackwall in 1606.

Bombs Thrown at a Chief of Police. Lodz, Russian Poland, Dec. 19.—Two bombs were thrown at Chief of Police Chrzyszowski at noon today while he was driving through one of the principal streets. The horse drawing the vehicle and the driver were killed, but Chrzyszowski escaped with slight injuries. His carriage was completely destroyed. Several dragons, who were escorting the police chief, were mortally wounded.

Reprint, News-Herald: 'There is at least one efficient, safe and reliable Cough Cure—Dr. Shoop's—that we regard as suitable, even for the youngest child. For years, Dr. Shoop's bitterly opposed the use of opiates or narcotics in medicine, offering \$100 per drop to any one finding Opium, Chloroform, or any other poisonous or narcotic ingredient in Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. And the challenge is as yet unanswered. There is one manufacturing physician, who welcomed with much satisfaction the Government Pure Food and Drug Law. The public can now protect itself at all times, by insisting on having Dr. Shoop's, when a cough remedy is needed.' Sold by E. S. Leadbeater & Sons.

Serious Conditions in Morocco.

Tanger, Morocco, Dec. 19.—The situation here is growing more critical hourly in view of the boldness of Raisuli, the noted bandit, who practically controls the town and is evidently attempting to incite the natives to a holy war. Reinforcements have been asked for by the Spanish Ambassador in view of the danger of the situation.

A renewed demand has been made on the Sultan for the departure of Raisuli because of the insult offered by the bandit agent to American Minister Gummere who intervened when the agent was about to whip a native.

Application for Receiver. New Haven, Conn., Dec. 19.—Application was made in the Superior Court today for the appointment of a receiver for the National Wire Corporation, operating a wire mill in this city. The liabilities are given as \$2,000,000. The plant here is operated in conjunction with the National Steel and Wire Company, a Maine corporation, operating mills in various cities.

Frank J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. The following is a list of the letters remaining in the Alexandria, Va., postoffice up to December 19, 1906:

Alm, n. C. A. Lambert, Mary L. Alex Fireworks Co. Lewis, Mrs. M. B. Alanson & Durban. Moore, Mrs. John L. Bower, Ida. Mrs. Robert. Pick-C. Davis, Mrs. Eliza. Seale, F. C. Hill, Mrs. Sasia. Settle, E. J. Harlow, Horace. Strachan, Mrs. E. L. Kirtley, S. G. Smith, David. Lewis, Mrs. J. J. Wolper, H. F. Lions Mrs. J. White, Mrs. Narcissus. THOMAS BURROUGHS P. M.

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Waist Patterns. Of plain Peau de Cygne, Paillette de Soie, Tail-tail, and fancy quillets that sell up to 75c yd.; 4 yd patterns, and nicely finished for presentation. A pattern \$1.98. Gift Gloves. For Men. Kid Gloves, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Mocha Gloves, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Dogskin Gloves, \$1.00 and \$1.50. Worned Gloves, 50c and 60c.

For Women. 12-button P. K. Glass Kid Glove, \$3.00. 8-button Glass Kid Glove, \$1.75. 16-button Stance Gloves, \$2.50.

Lansburgh & Bro., 420 to 426 Seventh Street, 417 to 425 Eighth Street, WASHINGTON, D. C. Every Turkey. We shall offer you will be one of the freshest and finest Virginia products, dressed especially for this store. They will arrive in the afternoon of Friday, December 21. Positively we will not handle Tennessee or cold storage turkeys. Ours will suit you and the price will be right. We will have two h-andred runners seven to ten pounds, and one hundred running twelve to sixteen pounds. Let us have your orders, as we will have enough stock to sell you exactly the size turkey you wish. Will also have an abundant supply of Fresh Eggs, Cranberries, etc. We wish to call your attention to what we consider the sweetest Oranges in the city—our Florida Special. You could not wish sweeter fruit. Our apples, as you know, are all that could be desired.

American Fruit Store, J. M. Pettit, Jr., FRUIT SPECIALIST, Bell Phone 200. 717 KING ST. A NICE XMAS PRESENT AND ONE THAT WILL BE APPRECIATED IS A Picture. We have just received a large lot of Pictures, which we are selling at very low prices. HIRAM E. WEBB Wall Paper and Picture Frame Store, del 14 St. 921 KING STREET.