

EVIDENCE AGAINST BEEF TRUST.

Federal Authorities Take Precautions Against Publicity of Testimony.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Fifteen secret service men have been brought to Chicago to guard the witnesses who will appear and testify before the special grand jury which tomorrow will begin the investigation of the transactions of the so-called beef trust.

C. B. Morrison, who today was appointed district attorney to succeed S. H. Bethea, recently appointed district judge, declared tonight that any persons detected speaking to or inquiring the name of any of the witnesses will be liable to contempt of court.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The United States district attorney, General H. L. Burnett, has been taking evidence here for a week past in connection with the so-called beef trust investigation of the federal jury in Chicago. The list of witnesses has not been made public, but is reported to include the names of all the New York representatives of the big packing concerns.

Fifty-five Bodies Recovered.

BROCKTON, Mass., March 21.—Satisfied that there was no chance of recovering additional bodies from the ruins of the R. B. Grover company's shoe factory, search was abandoned at 11 o'clock tonight by the small army of volunteers, after 37 hours of constant toil.

The war office points to the fact that Linevitch was able to give his troops a day of rest as being the best evidence that complete order had been restored, and that the stories of demoralized flights are untrue.

Property Has Escaped Taxation.

SALEM, Ore., March 21.—Petitions are being prepared and will soon be in circulation for the initiation of a bill authorizing and requiring the levying of an assessment upon all property in the state not heretofore assessed since the year 1860.

Anti-Trust Law Approved.

COLUMBUS, O., March 21.—The state supreme court today upheld the constitutionality of the criminal section of the Valentine anti-trust law. The law provides for imprisonment for violation of the law.

A New Type of Locomotive.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Three thousand miles without a stop, and at the rate of 100 miles or more an hour, is the capacity of a new type of locomotive which has been ordered by the Southern Pacific railroad.

for erecting and maintaining expensive water tanks or coal chutes.

The machine is what is known as the four stroke cycle. There is a compressed air reservoir, from which the power is obtained for starting. This gives the piston its first stroke, when it takes in the air at atmospheric pressure and temperature.

THE RETREAT IS ORDERLY.

The Russians Are Encouraged By Reports From the Front.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.—The retreat of the Russian army, from the latest reports, is evidently being conducted in splendid fashion. In four days actual marching after leaving Tie pass, the rear guard has fallen back 70 miles, and the heads of the column are already entering Gunshu pass, 40 miles further north, keeping up with the Japanese column marching north over the grand trade road.

With the bridges and railroads destroyed behind the Russians, the Japanese are unable to press the rear and according to information received from the front, it is believed that the bulk of Field Marshal Oyama's army is still at Tie pass, the flanking column being comparatively weak. This news may, however, prove incorrect.

The Russian press commends General Kurapatkin highly for the fine spirit which he displayed in returning to the army in a subordinate capacity, declaring that the defeated leader is more to be pitied than blamed.

Adjusting Venezuelan Debt. LONDON, March 22.—At the office of the council of foreign bondholders the Associated Press was informed today that an agreement between the Venezuelan government and the British and German bondholders, adjusting and consolidating the exterior debt of \$28,600,000, will be signed tomorrow.

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Surprise was expressed at the dispatches from Washington intimating that the American minister at Caracas, Mr. Bowen, was seeking to prevent the ratification of the agreement, which the council of foreign bondholders contend is entirely in accord with the Washington protocol.

The British and German foreign offices have been consulted and agree that the bonds are entirely within the rights and the provisions of the protocol.

The Beef Trust Investigation.

CHICAGO, March 22.—The special grand jury to investigate the so-called "beef trust" was completed today. Three vacancies left in the panel yesterday were filled and the huge mass of testimony available was immediately attacked.

District Judge J. Otis Humphrey charged the jury to "present no one from envy, hatred or malice, nor to leave any one unprotected for fear, favor, affection, reward or hope of reward."

The charge to the jurors was delivered in a most impressive manner and was listened to with deep interest. Judge Otis Humphrey said: "This body stands between the upright and honest citizen and the malicious accuser. You are saviors of reputations, as well as the body through which the honest accuser obtains justice."

Among the important witnesses who will appear before the beef trust grand jury are Miss M. A. Dincock, private secretary to J. Ogden Armour; C. O. Young, general superintendent of Swift & Co., and Geo. C. Morgan, assistant to Young.

HELENA, March 21.—The state of Montana will receive a fee of \$454 for filing the incorporation papers of the National surety company of New York, which yesterday announced its determination to enter this field, and incidentally deposited \$50,000 in government bonds with State Treasurer J. H. Rice for the guaranty of any claims which may arise.

BILLINGS, March 21.—The board of county commissioners has made an order that the old court house which has done service in Billings since Yellowstone county was organized, be sold June 10 to the highest bidder. Sealed bids will be received by the county clerk. The building was erected in the form of a double business house pending the erection of a regular court house and stands on one of the best corners in the city.

BOZEMAN, March 21.—B. F. Maiden, a well known attorney of this city, is under arrest charged with misappropriating \$1,600 entrusted to his care by Mrs. F. E. Marshall for investment. Maiden was arrested in Butte and brought here by an officer yesterday. He was arranged before Judge W. Y. Smith and placed under bonds in the sum of \$2,000, which he was unable to furnish. Maiden will have a preliminary hearing within a few days.

HELENA, March 21.—William Pringer, aged 56, was found dead tonight in a Walter street house, where he had been residing temporarily. Owing to the fact that he had only recently been discharged from a hospital where he had been treated for pneumonia, Coronet Bennett decided his death was due to a relapse, and will hold an inquest.

GREAT FALLS, March 21.—A telegram was received this afternoon announcing the death at Alvarado, Tex., of W. T. Kelly, one of the best known gamblers of this state, formerly of this city. Death was caused by consumption of several years' duration. Kelly was 39 years of age and had been a resident of Montana for 16 years, having come to the state from Texas as a cowboy for the old Home Land and Cattle company, which had ranges in Valley county. He was generally known as Kid Kelly.

HELENA, March 21.—A most important contest, involving a tract of land adjoining the Pittsburg-Montana smelter on the flat near Butte, is being tried before Register Miracle and Receiver Freeman of the federal land office. The contest is that of Mayor Pat Mullins of Butte against Emanuel Lees. There are about 15 witnesses present on each side. Considerable expert testimony was given to establish the mineral character of the land. The hearing will continue several days.

Roosevelt Names Cadets.

WASHINGTON, March 22.—The president has designated principal and alternates for examinations for admission to the United States military academy in 1905. Among the principals are Thomas Jackson Christian, a grandson of General Stonewall Jackson; Burton Young Reed, grandson of Lieutenant General S. B. M. Young; Charles Walter Rowell, grandson of the late Major General Frank Wheaton. All the nominees are sons of soldiers.

Castro Backs Down.

PARIS, March 22.—The French Cable company has received a further dispatch from M. Braun, its representative at Caracas, confirming the postponement of a decision of the court relative to the company's concessions. He says the postponement was since die.

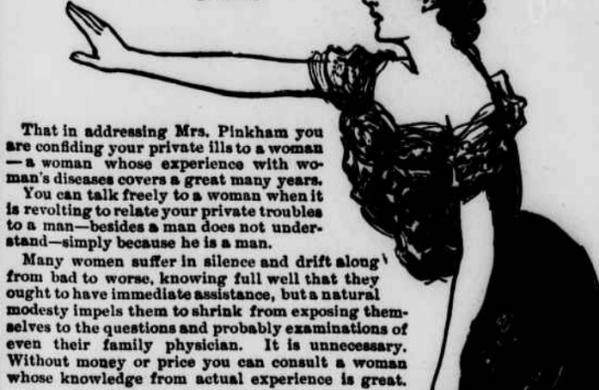
The company's officials here say the postponement resulted from the representations of the French minister. It is understood that the representations pointed out that the company is a government concern and that an unfriendly attitude toward it would amount to an unfriendly attitude toward the French government.

The company is reticent as to its future attitude and is still unadvised of any cutting of cables and expressed a desire for an amicable adjustment with President Castro.

Cattle Sold For Taxes.

BOZEMAN, March 22.—County Treasurer Weaver went to the border of the county, near the Jefferson county line, Monday, to sell some cattle belonging to Mike Murphy, whose residence is in Jefferson county. The cattle were in Gallatin county on March 1 at noon, but Murphy had reported them and had them assessed in Jefferson county; hence the dispute. County Attorney C. F. Stranahan of Jefferson county telephoned to County Attorney Walrath that he had instructed Murphy to defend his property, with a shotgun, if necessary, against the Gallatin treasurer. Accordingly the county attorney instructed Sheriff Reynolds to accompany Weaver, and he did so. The shotgun was in sight, but no one offered to use it, and the sale passed off peaceably. Six head of cattle were put up for sale and were bid in by Sheriff Reynolds for \$50.98, the amount of the taxes and costs.

STOP! WOMEN, AND CONSIDER THE ALL-IMPORTANT FACT



That in addressing Mrs. Pinkham you are confiding your private ills to a woman—a woman whose experience with woman's diseases covers a great many years. You can talk freely to a woman when it is revolting to relate your private troubles to a man—besides a man does not understand—simply because he is a man.

Following we publish two letters from a woman who accepted this invitation. Note the result. Dear Mrs. Pinkham:—For eight years I have suffered something terrible every month with my periods. The pains are excruciating and I can hardly stand them. My doctor says I have ovarian and womb trouble, and I must go through an operation if I want to get well. I do not want to submit to it if I can possibly help it. Please tell me what to do. I hope you can relieve me. Mrs. Mary Dimmick, 52nd and E. Capitol Sts., Benning P.O., Washington, D.C.

Notice of Final Proof. UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE, GREAT FALLS, MONT., Feb. 21, 1905. Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before Chas. H. Boyle, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Fort Benton, Mont., on Thursday, April 6, 1905, viz: Jerry Mullin, who made homestead entry No. 1887, for the W 1/2 NW 1/4, SW 1/4, section 21, township 21 north, range 10 east.

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GEORGE L. OVERFIELD. Cattle brand as shown on cut; also A on left hip only; B and C on the right ribs.

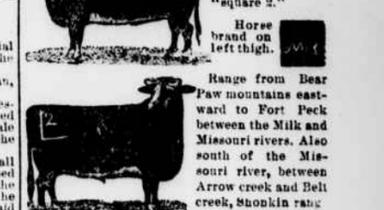
Increased brand on left ribs or right from fall of 1894.

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