

"Der Captain" takes a snooze. Oh, those bad Katzenjammer kids! Sunday's Funny Page.

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The Hooligans see the elephants in Sunday's Herald.

GRAPAUD BEEF PACKERS RISES IN UTAH AT LEAST COURT

Refuses to Submit Any Longer to the Insolence of the Pestiferous Castro Government.

ALL SERENE IN VENEZUELA

WARSHIPS ASSEMBLE FOR A DEMONSTRATION.

Paris, Jan. 18.—Official confirmation of Venezuela's unceremonious treatment of M. Taigny, the retiring French charge d'affaires at Caracas, has reached the foreign office. The government immediately decided to adopt the most energetic measures to attain satisfaction. Through the officials will not make any direct statement on the subject, it is understood that a naval demonstration is under preparation, the division of the French warships recently assembled in the vicinity of Venezuelan waters being utilized for that purpose. A diplomat confirmed this view of the situation, saying that President Castro's action, though not an absolute forcible expulsion of the French representative, amounted to an act of hostility since after M. Taigny had left the shore in perfectly good faith in order to obtain dispatches from the French steamer Martineau, the Venezuelan authorities without warning offered armed opposition to his re-landing. Such an act should not remain unchastised and France, the diplomat added, will have the support of the whole world in demanding and obtaining complete satisfaction, even should armed intervention prove necessary.

The Last Straw.

France, it was further pointed out, has experienced wonderful patience, but is now driven to extremities. The French cable company's officials say that they received confirmation this morning of the reports that the managers of the company at Caracas and Lagaira have also been expelled from Venezuela. The company has about ten other managers in charge of different officers in Venezuela and immediately expects to hear that they have been expelled. The officials of the company have brought the matter before the government, which has not yet announced that steps will be taken in the matter, but it is believed the United States will be asked to extend its protection to its representative in these managers. In the meanwhile M. Maubourguet, the Venezuela charge d'affaires here, has received an intimation to leave French territory, thus placing him personally in an awkward position about his private commercial relations with France, and it is also believed that he retains his French citizenship, which would make him liable to military service under the conscription law.

FRANCE RETALIATES.

Venezuelan Charge d'Affaires Escorted to the Frontier.

Paris, Jan. 18 5:30 p. m.—M. Maubourguet, the charge d'affaires of Venezuela here, this afternoon received the official announcement of his expulsion from French territory. The notification was conveyed to him by M. Gouvt, the chief secretary of Premier Rouvier, and a special commissioner of police, M. Merion, in charge d'affaires showed considerable emotion, but accepted the government's decision. He will leave Paris from the Northern railroad station at 10:38 tonight for Liege, Belgium, accompanied by the special commissioner of police, who is responsible for his security to the frontier.

The action of the French government with reference to Venezuela has not yet finally been decided. M. Rouvier is calling the cabinet council together to consider the steps to be taken. In ministerial circles it is believed that the incident of M. Taigny's expulsion loses some of its character of gravity as official notification was given to President Castro a few days ago by the American minister that diplomatic relations between France and Venezuela had ceased to exist. Therefore M. Taigny was not expelled as the representative of France, but as a simple French citizen. Meanwhile a telegram from L'Orient, the French war port in Brittany, announces that the cruiser Jean Bart and Shasseloup-Loubat are

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BEEF PACKERS AT LEAST COURT

Hearing of the Special Pleas for Immunity Begun Before U. S. District Judge Humphrey.

REAL TRIAL COMES LATER

ATTORNEY MILLER'S LONG WINDED ADDRESS.

Chicago, Jan. 18.—The trial of the special pleas of J. Ogden Armour and the other packers and attorneys now under indictment for conspiracy to restrain trade and commerce were opened today before Judge Humphrey in the United States district court. Among the defendants in court were the opening of the case were J. Ogden Armour, Charles W. Armour, T. J. Connors, Edward Morris, Charles F. Swift, Edward Swift, Edward Cudahy and A. H. Veeder.

Immunity is Claimed.

The issue in the present case is the contention of the packers that the government should not prosecute them under the indictments found because they are entitled to immunity under a section of the law which grants freedom from prosecution to any person who is compelled to produce incriminating evidence against himself. It is claimed by the packers that they were compelled by Commissioner of Corporations Garfield to give such evidence and that they were, moreover, promised immunity by him. The result of the hearing which began today will determine whether or not the government has the right to proceed to trial under the indictments returned against the packers.

Plea of the Packers.

Attorney John S. Miller, for the packers, made the opening statement. He took up the Garfield report, explaining it and pointing out its length of fact which are involved in the case. Mr. Miller then launched into a long discussion of the law covering interstate commerce. District Attorney Morrison raised an objection to a long discussion of the law.

Senators are Not Ready

Nothing Definite Concerning the Federal Appointments in Utah.

(Special to The Herald.) Washington, Jan. 18.—The Utah senators have been in consultation concerning the federal appointments, which are to be made soon, but they have reached no definite conclusions concerning any of the appointments to be selected. Senator Sutherland's attention was called this evening to report that Spry has been selected in his candidacy for marshalship. He said no candidate has been beaten for any office and none selected. The matter of appointments is under consideration and announcement probably will be made in a short time. The recommendations which will be made by the Utah delegation. The postmaster of Salt Lake City is in the same situation excepting that this appointment will be decided upon by Sutherland himself. Both Utah senators repeatedly declared that no differences have existed between them in regard to appointments and that their action in selecting appointees will be harmonious.

UNION PACIFIC DAM BROKE

Wall of Water and Crushed Ice Rushed Down Upon Evanston, Wyo.—No Lives Lost.

Evanston, Wyo., Jan. 17.—The lower portion of Evanston is flooded by water from the Union Pacific dam above the city, which went out at 10 o'clock today. No lives have been lost but people were compelled to flee from their homes and considerable damage was done to property. The great wall of water and broken ice rushed down the canyon, carrying trees, rocks and debris. The damage is estimated at \$200,000.

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ATTEMPT TO POISON FORMER GOVERNOR PEABODY LIVES SKIPPED OUT INSTANTLY



Deadly Drug Put in Food Eaten by the Family at Breakfast—Daughter Dangerously Ill—Air of Mystery Surrounds the Affair.

Denver, Jan. 18.—A News special from Canon City says that former Governor James H. Peabody, his wife and their daughter were poisoned by food eaten at breakfast this morning, and that the daughter, Miss Cora Peabody, is in a dangerous condition as a result. The governor and Mrs. Peabody, although quite ill for several hours, recovered sufficiently to devote their attention to the daughter. Physicians are in attendance upon the young lady, and unless a change for the worse comes tonight they believe she will escape serious consequences.

Air of Mystery.

An air of mystery surrounds the affair. Enough was gleaned from friends of the family tonight to show that there is a belief that an attempt was made to destroy the family by poison. An intimate friend of the Peabodys said that several letters had been received by the former governor within the past week or two calling his attention to the manner of the death of former Governor Steunberger of Idaho, and threatening him with a similar fate.

Peabody Won't Talk.

Referring to the incident his family went through today, Governor Peabody said: "I do not want to say where I think the responsibility lies until the results of the investigations now being made are known."

Massacres in New Guinea and North Australia

Native Village Raided by a Party of Warriors and 33 of the Inhabitants Butchered as They Slept—Six Whites Victims of Latest Outrage.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 18.—Advices of massacres by the blacks in New Guinea and north Australia were received by the steamer Moana today. In New Guinea a party of warriors made a raid on the village of Ekiri, thirty miles from the capital Port Moresby, and killed thirty-three of the inhabitants, who were sleeping. The bodies were much mutilated. The village was looted and destroyed, anything of value being carried off. The village constable escaped though his loin cloth was pierced by spears thrown at him. He hid in the bush for some days at Port Moresby to report the massacre, and a force of armed constables were sent to punish the raiders.

Resolution on the Table

Only Eight Members of Senate Favored Investigating the Mrs. Morris Incident.

Washington, Jan. 18.—There was an echo of yesterday's stormy session in the senate today when Mr. Tillman presented his resolution to investigate the removal of Mrs. Minor Morris from the White House. The resolution provoked no debate, and Mr. Tillman contented himself with a brief statement, in which he said that he would not have introduced a resolution but for the taunt of Mr. Hale. When he concluded Mr. Daniel moved that the resolution be laid on the table, and this disposition was made of it by a vote of 54 to 8. The remainder of the day was devoted to speeches on the pure food and merchant marine bills. Mr. Cumber advocated the food measure and Mr. Mallory opposing the shipping bill. Mr. Mallory was so frequently interrupted as to cause his speech to take on the aspect of a general debate. During the controversy Mr. Bacon suggested that the American corporations like the Standard Oil company engaged in transporting their own goods to market could take advantage of the subsidiary provision of the bill. Mr. Gallinger admitted the force of the objection and promised that the defect would be corrected. The senate adjourned until Monday.

Howell Introduces a Bill in the House

(Special to The Herald.) Washington, Jan. 18.—Representative Howell today introduced a bill authorizing the state of Utah to select school land or other lands granted to the state by the enabling act within the limits of any abandoned military reservation in Utah. The bill also extends the public land laws to land within the limits of the abandoned Fort Crittenden reservation.

Los Angeles Labor Leader Goes to Sleep in California, Waking in N. S. Wales.

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 18.—The steamer Moana brought news today from Sydney, Australia, that William S. Smith, a labor leader of Los Angeles, who was a victim of a strange lapse of memory during which he unconsciously traveled to Australia, is being returned home on the steamer Sierra. Smith awoke one morning to find himself in an unfamiliar country, with strange vegetation and weird gum trees, such as he had never seen all about him. He seemed dazed and inquired from strangers where he was. Much to his astonishment he was told he was in a small town of New South Wales. He said he had gone to sleep in a railway car in California six months before and the interval since then was a blank. He rang for his return. His wife died at Los Angeles during his absence.

Wide Gap in His Memory

London, Jan. 18.—Rural England is now being polled, and is returning Liberals to parliament with the same enthusiasm that already has been displayed by the towns. Few additional returns are received, but the polls in rural towns are not known generally until the following day, but those reported show persistent Liberal and Labor gains. Glasgow has gone strongly Liberal, the seven contests being marked by four Liberal and one Labor gain, while the two Unionists left in the representation are free traders. Among the well known members of parliament unseated there are A. Boar Law (Unionist), representing the Black Friars district who was parliamentary secretary to the board of trade in 1892, and Sir J. Stirling-Maxwell, conservative, representing Glasgow university. John Morley, secretary for state for India, was returned for Montrose by a good majority.

High Tide for Liberals

Rural England Voting for Free Trade—Glasgow is Also in Line.

Cambridge university returned two Unionist tariff reformers, S. H. Butcher and Mr. Rawlinson. Lancashire appears to be going strongly Liberal as did Manchester, the three results already received there recording two Liberal and one Labor gain. Among those unseated in Lancashire are Lord Stanbury, former postmaster general, by the Laborite, W. F. Wilson, with a majority of 3,123 and C. A. Cripps, by H. Nutall, Liberal and ex-Trade, with a majority of 2,878.

Eighteen Miners Meet Death in Deadly Dust Explosion in West Virginia.

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 18.—Eighteen men are believed to have been killed in a terrific explosion today in one of the mines of the Detroit & Kanawha Coal company at Detroit, on Paint Creek, this county, twenty-five miles from here. The men who were in the mine at the time of the explosion and who are believed to have perished are: Isaac Pancake, Benjamin Snyder, Charles Snyder, Isaac Snyder, A. N. Sovie, James McArdie, Patrick McArdie, Stephen McArdie, G. P. Neal, Peter Bridgeman, Edward Bridgeman, Philip Bridgeman, Melvin Bridgeman, John Mickel, Edward Mickel, Claude Saunders, Patrick McLaughlin, John McLaughlin. The four Bridgemans were brothers, as were the three Snyders the three McArdies and two Mickels. The McLaughlins were father and son.

The Hills Trembled.

The explosion occurred at 12:30 o'clock. Had it been either before or after the noon hour the death list would have been still more appalling as hundreds of men would have been in the mine at the time of the explosion. Tons of wreckage and debris were hurled from the mouth of the mine, blocking the entrance and making the work of rescue difficult. The first body reached was that of G. P. Neal, which was discovered 150 yards from the entrance. The mine superintendent says that the other men were working much further back than Neal and he has no hope of rescuing them until tomorrow morning. Even though the men survived the explosion, it is almost certain that they will fall victims to the deadly after-damp. The cause of the explosion is not yet fully determined, but it is believed a blast ignited the dust which accumulates in the mines. The Detroit & Kanawha Coal company sold its holdings a few days ago to a syndicate consisting of the Mucklow brothers of this city, W. D. Doyer of Scranton, Pa., and other Pennsylvania capitalists, who purchased the mine and the Detroit and Paint Creek collieries company to operate them. The transfer of the properties was made last Monday and a few days before the transfer the mine was examined by the mine inspector, who reported that it was in good condition.

Human Skulls in Heater

Evidence Accumulates Against Oregon Man Accused of Murdering His Wife.

Tillamook, Ore., Jan. 18.—Deputy District Attorney Cooper and Sheriff Woolfe declined the report that the bones found in the old iron heater which was in A. J. Hembree's house when it was burned down at Sand Lake some time ago are those of human skulls. As soon as the news of the finding of the bones in the heater was received here the officials started for the scene and are now on their return trip to this city with what is alleged conclusive evidence that Hembree, who is now confined in the Yamhill county jail, killed his wife and daughter and then buried the bodies and the bones in the heater. Hembree was removed to Yamhill county for safe keeping.

Coalville Youth, Aged 17, Takes Morphine and Dies

Frank Warburton Leaves a Note for His Girl Asking Her to Forgive Him for Something He Had Said and Ends His Life.

(Special to The Herald.) Coalville, Utah, Jan. 18.—With cold-blooded premeditation Frank Warburton, a boy of 17, took morphine and ended his life in a room in the Coalville House here Tuesday night. His body was not discovered until this afternoon, when the room where it lay was forced open. He had locked the door and barricaded it with the washstand and some chairs. In the room was a note addressed to a Coalville girl, whose name the officers refuse to divulge. The note read: "When you read this I will be far away from you. Gorgive me for what I said to you last night." Threatened to End His Life. What he said, according to the officers, was that he intended to end his life. He had told several of his friends that he intended doing so, but none of them took

COULD NOT GIVE GAR SYSTEM TO CHANGED HANDS

Poultney Bigelow in Contempt of the Senate Committee on Inter-Oceanic Canals.

WILL APPEAR AGAIN TODAY

DISTRICT ATTORNEY MAY GET HIM.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Poultney Bigelow, the magazine writer, whose arraignment of the administration and management of the Isthmian canal affairs, in an article published in the Independent, which was denounced by Secretary of War Taft, proved to be a contemptuous witness before the senate committee on inter-oceanic canals today and involved the committee in a controversy which caused two executive sessions and must be considered again tomorrow before action can be taken. The recalcitrancy of the witness was shown as the result of a statement by him that many eminent engineers had declined to accept the employment of the government because of physical conditions on the isthmus.

Declined to Give Names.

The committee demanded the names of such engineers and Mr. Bigelow declined to give them, on the ground that to do so would be to violate confidence and submit these persons to embarrassments. He intimated that the displeasure of the administration would be exhibited in such manner that their reputations would be worth nothing after the official records had been compiled.

Wanted to Punish Him.

Two opportunities were given to Mr. Bigelow to answer, but he persisted in his refusal. Senator Morgan, who conducted the last examination, warned the witness in such manner as seemed to commit the committee to punishment if he continued to bring himself into contempt, but the advice was of no avail and the doors were ordered closed for a second time. The committee was agreed that the offense of Mr. Bigelow was of such a nature that there could be no doubt of the committee's power to have him dealt with summarily. Senators Knox, Hopkins and Morgan favored a certification of his recalcitrancy to the vice president for submission of the case to United States Attorney Baker for the District of Columbia.

Two Senators Objected.

This course met opposition from Senators Gorman and Simmons, on the ground that it would prevent further examination of the witness on other subjects mentioned in the magazine article which makes charges against the canal management. Several members of the committee said that Mr. Bigelow's usefulness as a witness had been destroyed. They argued so vehemently against any delay in proceedings against Mr. Bigelow that Senators Gorman and Simmons declared that their purpose seemed to be to interfere with the thorough investigation of canal affairs which was ordered by the senate.

Denied by Freeman.

Providence, R. I., Jan. 18.—Regarding Poultney Bigelow's assertion before the committee on inter-oceanic canals today that he would present further examination of the witness on other subjects mentioned in the magazine article which makes charges against the canal management, Mr. Freeman said that he had declined no appointment of the kind.

Financial Status of the Company.

The financial status of the Utah Light & Railway company was set forth as follows by the Commercial & Financial Chronicle: The company's authorized capital is \$1,000,000, of which \$500,000 is paid up. The company's assets are \$1,000,000, consisting of \$500,000 in cash and \$500,000 in property. The company's liabilities are \$500,000, consisting of \$500,000 in bonds. The company's net worth is \$500,000.

Why Curtis Comes to Salt Lake.

Attorney W. J. Curtis is coming to Salt Lake City at this time to secure control of the property for his clients if possible. He is under the impression that the world over, and although his name does not appear, he is one of the influential members. It was Sullivan & Cromwell that fought the Panama canal issue for the French a few years ago. Recently the same firm has handled the Milwaukee street car deal, a transaction of unusual magnitude. The business of the Utah Light & Railway company has become complicated and reorganizations that have taken place, so much so that it is difficult for those who are not closely acquainted with the situation. Control of the bonded indebtedness of the property is held by the Gas, Water & General Investment trust.

Fight to Control the Stock.

Control of the stock of the company is in doubt, and here is where the fight is to be fought. English investors have held a good block of the stock for years. A. W. McCune and men closely connected with the stock have endeavored to hold 40 per cent of the stock. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is said to hold 10 per cent of the stock. The situation an interesting one for the reason that A. W. McCune and his close friends do not enjoy the idea of being side-tracked, and do not intend to be side-tracked if they can help it. This may be done in defiance of all opposition, especially if the church surrenders its stock to the syndicate represented by Attorney Curtis.

Crying Need is More Cash.

It was hoped that A. W. McCune would put \$500,000 cash into the system at the time of the consolidation of the two systems, but he invested his money in South America. The statement upon which the syndicate has authority that if the syndicate represented by Sullivan & Cromwell secures the absolute control of the property, \$500,000 will be invested for the purpose of securing additional power and improving and extending the entire street car and light system of the city. The Utah Light & Railway company was incorporated in Utah Jan. 2, 1904. It is a consolidation of the Utah Light & Power company and the Consolidated Railway & Power company. It controls all the electric light and power in the city. The street railway business except that represented by the West Side Rapid Transit company, in August last it was granted by the state a franchise covering street railways, gas and electric lighting running to July 1, 1913.

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System of Overweights and Underweights Acknowledged by A. J. Judy, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Traders' Exchange.

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