"Merry Christmas" a Mockery to the Accused Bankers in Cells

DREARY CHRISTMAS IN CELLS FOR FINANCIERS

Brown and Bartnett Find in Court a Total Lack of Holiday Cheer

There was little of Christmas cheer in Judge Dunne's court yesterday morning when Walter J. Bartnett and J. Dalzell Brown were arraigned on the charge of embezzling the securities of the Colton estate deposited in the California safe deposit and trust company. One courtroom spectator had a bunch of red berries pinned to his lapel; the others, especially the defendants, seemed far from any thought of Christmas eve.

Brown was alone in court save for the attendance of his attorneys, Hiram W. Johnson and Daniel Duffy. Mrs. Bartnett was in the courtroom and Mr. and Mrs. Peyton, the most loyal friends of the fallen financier, also were present. Attorney Oscar Cooper appeared for Bartnett.

It took 11 minutes to read each indictment. Brown was first called. He had come up from the county jail in an automobile and wore a heavy overcoat, which was not buttoned about his portly person. As the paper charging him with the crime of appropriating the securities was read by the court clerk, Brown pursed his lips under the heavy Van Dyke beard.

When the indictment had been recited McManus asked for the defendant's true name.

"James Dalzell Brown," replied the disgraced banker.

"What is your plea?" asked the court.

Johnson interposed a motion for a continuance and William Hoff Cook, the assistant district attorney in charge of the case, suggested Friday, January 3, as the date for entering the plea.

"Let it go over to January 2," ruled Judge Dunne.

Bartnett then was called to the bar. He seemed small and ashy in coloring, both of face and hair, compared to his more florid companion in frenzied finance. He stood with his hands behind his back, snuggled in his large overcoat. The clerk read the indictment to Bartnett and the case was continued until the date of the Brown hearing.

Judge Dunne issued orders that both defendants be allowed to confer with their attorneys at their offices, it having been found to be impossible to confer at the county jail.

By noon the conference was over and the two bankers were taken again to the county jail to be locked up over Christmas.

CONTRADICTS BARTNETT

Cerf's Testimony Creates Suspicion of Perjury

An important link in the chain of evidence pointing to the guilt of Walter J. Bartnett in connection with the disappearance of the Colton securities from the vaults of the California safe deposit and trust company was brought out at the hearing Monday before Superior Judge Smith of Santa Cruz, when the petition for Bartnett's expulsion as administrator of the Colton estate was under consideration.

Marcel Cerf, Bartnett's close business associate, testified at this hearing that he might have had knowledge of the alleged burning of a part of the Colton securities prior to the time of the will contest in the fall of 1906. At that time Bartnett testified that the securities were intact in the vaults of the trust company. He has since insisted that a part of the papers were burned, but has said that he did not know of this fact at the time he testified in Santa Cruz.

Cerf was uncertain in his testimony Monday, but the inference drawn from his statements was that it was generally understood, and that Bartnett himself knew at the time the will contest was on trial, that some of the papers had been destroyed, and that Bartnett perjured himself in testifying that they were still safe.

Cerf could not remember exactly the time or manner in which he received knowledge of the destruction of the papers, but said he thought it had been prior to the time of the trial and through the medium of a letter received by Bartnett.

WILLS ALL TO BROWN

T. Otway Sadleir's Last Testament Disinherits Relatives

T. Otway Sadleir, the official of the California safe deposit and trust company who committed suicide, left everything he possessed to his friend, J. Dalzell Brown, specifically disinheriting his brothers, sisters and other relatives. The will of Sadleir, making this disposition of his estate, was filed yesterday by the public administrator, together with a petition for letters of administration, Brown, although the sole legatee, having failed to apply.

Sadleir's estate, so far as is known, did not exceed $5,000. There was $574 in money on his person, an automobile worth $4,000 and other personal effects worth between $400 and $500. His safe deposit box has not yet been opened and may prove to contain property of value. Following is the full text of the will:

I, T. Otway Sadleir, being of the age of 21 years and over and of disposing mind and memory, do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

First—I declare that I am a resident of the city and county of San Francisco, state of California, and that I am unmarried and have no issue.

Second—I make no provision for my brother, W. H. B. Sadleir, my sisters, Flora Mary Bomford, Letitia Margery Gordon Sadleir, Josephine Gertrude Sadleir, Isabel Beatrice Sadleir, and the son of my deceased sister, Charlotte Quinn, as all of them are in affluent circumstances.

Third—In consideration of my friendship for J. Dalzell Brown of the city and county of San Francisco, I do hereby devise and bequeath unto him, or in the event of his death before mine, to his heirs, all the property of which I may die possessed, real, personal or mixed, or wheresoever situate.

Fourth—I hereby appoint said J. Dalzell Brown executor of this, my last will and testament, without bonds, and I authorize him to sell or otherwise dispose of any property, real or personal, belonging to my estate, without any order of court or other proceeding.

Lastly—I hereby declare null and void all former wills by me made.

The will was dated April 30, 1907.

MISS SACHER COMING

Colton Claimant Is on Way Here From Paris

Little Helene Sacher, the great-granddaughter of Mrs. Ellen M. Colton and claimant of the latter's estate, which has come into such prominence in connection with the looting of the California safe deposit and trust company, will arrive in San Francisco in a short time. She is to be brought here from Paris, France, by her father, Siegfrid Sacher, who will remain in this city until the tangled affairs of the estate caused by the failure of the trust company have been straightened out.

The attorneys in charge of the Sacher contest have received word that Sacher and his daughter will start for the United States immediately after the holidays and will come direct to San Francisco.

WILL SUE TO FORECLOSE ON THE BANK'S PROPERTY

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filed as soon as the holiday season is over and the exact amount of deposits involved is determined, but the form of the action has not yet been positively settled upon.

The suit may be brought either in the name of the state treasurer or in the name of any beneficiary having an interest in any of the funds on deposit.

GLASS IS TOO ILL TO APPEAR BEFORE COURT

Physicians to Examine Convicted Briber Who Is Seeking Bail

Louis Glass was so ill yesterday that he was unable to come from the branch county jail to hear the application of Attorney T. C. Coogan for his admission to bail pending the determination of his appeal against his conviction for bribery. Coogan informed Judge Lawlor that his chauffeur, whom he had sent to the jail for Glass, had returned with the message that Glass was not well enough to make the trip. After discussion as to the proper method of presenting the application for bail, a continuance until Tuesday was ordered.

Assistant District Attorney O'Gara insisted that Glass' petition be supported by affidavits, so that the people would know what kind of a showing they had to meet. It was finally arranged that Coogan should have affidavits by physicians prepared by Thursday and copies filed with the district attorney on that day, and that O'Gara would endeavor to have counter affidavits in the hands of Coogan by Monday. That the counter affidavits may be prepared, the district attorney will cause Glass to be examined by independent physicians.

The plan of each side having an examination made and affidavits sworn to was adopted by Judge Lawlor in preference to a suggestion by Coogan that the judge should appoint a physician to examine Glass and report to the court.

DRUNKARDS WILL MEET AT CHRISTMAS FEAST

Workers Search Slums of Los Angeles for Unfortunates

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 24.—A Christmas party of 500 drunkards, gathered from the slums of this city, will be entertained tomorrow and for the six days following by Dr. Finis E. Yoakum at Pisgah home, a benevolent refuge conducted by Dr. Yoakum for the reclamation of inebriates at "$6 much per."

A band of male and female workers, almost all of them reclaimed from the drink habit through Dr. Yoakum's efforts, are searching through the city's dives tonight for guests for their house party. An especial effort will be made to secure the attendance of those who are entirely without friends and who are supposed to be irretrievably abandoned to drink.

They will be provided with baths and clean clothing and for a week will enjoy the privileges of guests. Preparations have been made for the entertainment of 500 men and women, but this number probably will be increased.

Religious services will be held daily during the week, and an effort at reclaiming the unfortunates through their sense of selfrespect will be made. Aside from this the party will be conducted as far as possible along the usual line of entertainment during the holiday season.

Dr. Yoakum is a brother of President Yoakum of the Rock Island railroad, and makes a specialty of the reclamation of inebriates through prayer.

HARRY THAW SANTA CLAUS FOR PRISONERS IN TOMBS

Wife's Motor Loaded With Presents for Wardens and Charges

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Harry Thaw is to celebrate his second Christmas in the Tombs by making the day brighter for his fellow inmates and for the men who guard him. When his wife arrived today on her daily visit to Thaw she had the seats of her electric cab piled high with parcels.

At her husband's direction she had brought for each of the keepers and deputies, 47 in all, a box of 50 cigars. For each of the 12 matrons she had also a box containing half a dozen Irish lace handkerchiefs.

Tomorrow morning every man and boy prisoner in the big prison will be handed two cigars, a box of prepared cocoa and a half dozen lumps of sugar.

Warden Flynn has prepared turkey and mince pies for his charges, but Thaw will have a hot dinner sent down to him from Delmonico's. He will eat it in his cell alone with a spoon; no knife or fork is allowed. It is probable that Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw will pass the day at home in her apartments.

STILL URGES RECEIVERSHIP

Warren Olney Jr., attorney for the Western Pacific railway company, announced yesterday that his company had not altered its position on the question of a receiver for the California safe deposit and trist company. Olney said yesterday that rehabilitation was out of the question, and his corporation desired to terminate the matter as speedily as possible. The Western Pacific will not attempt to interfere with the committee of depositors, but nevertheless will take the position that the bank is insolvent and should be liquidated through the medium of a receiver.

REQUISITION FOR PEDRO

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 24.—A requisition on the governer of Arizona for the return to Modesto of Juan Pedro, wanted on a charge of murder, was issued at the governor's office today. The fugitive is being held at Benson, Ariz.

BARTNETT'S COSTLY HOME IS ATTACHED BY WOMAN

Mrs. Kate O'Connell Levies on Residence for $1,774 Claim

The home of Walter J. Bartnett at Silva island in Marin county was attached late yesterday afternoon on behalf of Mrs. Kate O'Connell of San Francisco, administratrix of the estate of George P. O'Connell. The papers were served by Deputy Sheriff Peter Craine. Bartnett's daughter was at home alone at the time.

The attachment was filed for a claim of $1,774, which, it is alleged, the California safe deposit and trust company owes the O'Connell estate. In the suit J. Dalzell Brown, David F. Walker and other officers of the bank are made defendants. The attachment was levied on Bartnett's house, as Brown's property already had been attached. The home of David F. Walker in San Mateo had been transferred to Mrs. Walker and could not be reached through an attachment suit.

Bartnett's home is a costly one and stands on a 10 acre island. The entire property belongs to Bartnett and is worth many times as much as the claim.

HAS ANOTHER PLAN

Raphael Confident New Restoration Scheme Will Succeed

J. W. Raphael, chairman of the executive committee of the depositors' association of the California safe deposit and trust company, announced yesterday that several stock holders of the defunct institution have become interested in a new plan proposed for the rehabilitation of the wrecked concern without the appointment of a receiver, and are ready to advance a large amount of capital to put the plan into execution if it meets with the approval of the depositors.

So confident is Raphael of the success of the plan now under consideration that he declared his firm belief yesterday that in spite of the many setbacks the restoration movement has met the bank will be put back on a sound basis and the creditors of the institution eventually paid in full. He refused to give any details of the plan which is being worked out, but said it would be ready for announcement by Friday or Saturday, and that he felt so confident of its success that he expected depositors to be satisfied and capital to become interested in the proposition at once.

"This plan," said Raphael, "is now being worked out in detail by stock holders of the bank who are ready to back it with capital, and promise of more capital to help carry it out has already been obtained. The proposition is attractive and undoubtedly will satisfy the depositors of the institution as well as interest others who can help to make it successful.

"I am so certain of its worth that I promise you right now that the bank is not going out of business, but is going to be completely rehabilitated. These people are going to make a bank of it, and no receivership proposition will ever be allowed to go through. The appointment of a receiver is the worst thing that could possibly happen for the interests of the depositors, and we intend to prevent it. This plan will be in shape by Friday or Saturday, and will be presented to the executive committee of the dpositors' association at once for ratification."

DEPOSE RAGLAND

Creditors Will Liquidate Insolvent Citizens' State Bank

A plan for the rehabilitation of the Citizens' state bank through the retirement of President R. E. Ragland and his entire board of directors in favor of a new board of directors composed solely of depositors is to be presented to the depositors of the bank for ratification at a mass meeting Friday night at 8 o'clock in Franklin hall, in Fillmore street between Sutter and Bush.

The plan of reorganization has been evolved by the executive committee of the depositors' organization after several days of earnest work, and is one which, it is believed, will ultimately give each depositor the full amount of his deposit with the insolvent institution. The plan contemplates the management of the bank by the new board of directors for purposes of liquidation only, and the committee which has prepared it will urge its adoption when it is presented to the depositors Friday night.

In announcing the plan the committee has declared that its members have lost all confidence in Ragland and his ability to straighten out the affairs of the bank. Ragland himself has given full consent to the proposal for a new board and has promised to aid in putting the new organization into effect. The following letter has been received from him by the committee:

Mr. A. M. Alexander, Chairman of the Committee of Depositors of the Citizens' State Bank:

Dear Sir—I have attended the meeting of the committee of depositors of the Citizens' state bank held on December 23, 1907, and have heard read the proposed plan of reorganization to be submitted to the depositors by your committee, with a recommendation that it be approved, and I hereby give my consent to the plan, and hereby promise and agree to do each and all of the things which I am requested to do to carry out the proposed plan, whenever thereunto requested by you as chairman of the committee, and to hold myself in readiness to do all in my power to aid the committee in carrying out the proposed plan of reorganization. Yours very truly,

R. E. RAGLAND.

DEMANDS STOCK

Bartnett Agrees to Send for Western Pacific Shares

Formal demand was made on Walter J. Bartnett yesterday morning by B. P. Oliver, temporary president of the California safe deposit and trust company, for the 15,000 shares of Western Pacific stock which Bartnett drew from the bank in September.

"The stock is in New York," Bartnett said. "I will telegraph for it and have it here directly."

It is believed that the demand made by Oliver was preparatory to the beginning of further proceedings against the former bank director, though Oliver would not admit that this was his plan. Oliver met Bartnett in Judge Dunne's court, where the indicted banker had been haled to be arraigned on the charge of embezzling the securities of the Colton estate. They had a private conference and were joined by Oscar Cooper, Bartnett's attorney, and by Peyton, Bartnett's friend.

After the adjournment of court Bartnett said: "I told Oliver that the stock was in New York and I would have it here shortly. All the shares are safe."

BAD LOANS CAUSE FAILURE

H. H. Brown, president of the bank of Calistoga, which closed its doors Monday, called at the office of the bank commission yesterday and conferred with the members. Brown explained that he had been unable to collect loans made on the wine crop. He expressed the belief that the bank would be able to pay its depositors in full.

BRITON DENIES STORY OF WARLIKE MOVEMENT

Naval Officers Interested in Rumor of Formation of New Fleet

TREATY WITH JAPAN

Requires That Either Party Hasten to Aid Each Other

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Naval officers had some interesting to talk about today besides the change officially announced in the office of the bureau of navigation. It was reported by cable from London, though immediately denied by British officials, that Great Britain was preparing to organize a Pacific fleet to follow the movements of the American fleet now on its way to the Pacific coast.

Diplomatic circles were also put on the qui vive by the rumor. Aside from the truth or falsity of the report, it is bound to intensify international interest in the cruise of Rear Admiral Evans. Of course if it should prove true it would signify that Great Britain was purposing to fulfill her part of the Anglo-Japanese treaty negotiated about thirty months ago, following termination of hostilities between Japan and Russia.

Article 2 of that compact, which is to last 10 years unless it is denounced by one or both powers, reads: "Should either of the contracting parties be involved in war in defense of its territorial rights or special interests, the other party will at once come to the assistance of its ally and both parties will conduct a war in common and make peace in mutual agreements with any power or powers involved in such war."

Great Britain has not yet renounced this treaty, and until she does she is stopped from nullifying its provisions by a counter convention with the United States or any other power by this provision of article 5:

"The high contracting parties agree that neither will without consulting the other enter into a separate agreement with another power to the prejudice of the objects prescribed in this preamble."

Hospital Ship to Sail South to Meet Evans and the Fleet

Accommodations for 600 Will Be Provided With 20 Doctors

SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CALL

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—With great rapidity and every possible attempt at secrecy the government is assembling a hospital staff at Washington and San Francisco ready for installation on the United States hospital ship Relief, which is being hastily placed in commission for service.

When the plans are completed, which, it is expected, will be in 30 days, a staff of about 20 doctors and 30 nurses, with a complete complement of hospital stores and surgical instruments, will sail out of the harbor of San Francisco and steam south until it meets and joins the fleet which Admiral Evans is taking to the Pacific coast. The hospital ship will be capable of caring for about 600 sick or wounded men and will be one of the finest service ships in the world.

The secrecy and high pressure under which this undertaking is being effected have naturally caused much gossip. Those who were inclined to take an alarmist view of the situation, however, found no confirmation of their fears at the White House.

AMERICAN SAILORS FETED

Rear Admiral Evans Guest of Governor of Trinidad

PORT OF SPAIN, Dec. 24.—The first day's stay of the officers and men of the American battleship fleet at this port proved to be an enjoyable one. Bright sunshine favored the visitors, and after everything was made shipshape on board the battleships 2,000 men were permitted to come ashore.

The officers of the fleet to the number of a hundred or more attended a garden party, at which they had the opportunity of meeting many of the prominent public men of Port of Spain. Sir Henry Moore Jackson, governor of Trinidad, accompanied by his staff, returned the visit of Rear Admiral Evans, which the American commander had made in the morning, and extended to him and some fifty of the superior officers an invitation to luncheon.

All through the day the great American ships as well as those who manned them were objects of special interest to the entire populace, who found time to make the occasion a gala one. The town put on its best attire and pleasing decorations greeted the eye at every turn.

The men of the fleet who were given shore leave spent their time in sightseeing and playing at various games and their behavior in every respect was exemplary. The holiday feeling spread even to the ships themselves, where amusements of all kinds were permitted.

The torpedo boat flotilla, which started on its way to Para Sunday, was forced to return on account of daamge to the machinery of the destroyer Lawrence. As the flotilla was preparing to leave the harbor again today the Whipple's propeller fouled the anchor chain of the collier Fortuna and a second halt was called to the expedition south.

Divers went to work at once to clear the propeller and it is expected that the flotilla will get away tonight.

There will be numerous social functions here in honor of the American officers and one day will be given over to the races.

FAVORS VICE ADMIRALS

Dewey Says Three of That Rank Are Needed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Admiral Dewey took the lead today in the active list of the American navy officers in favor of the creation of the grade of vice admiral.

"With the present size of the battleship fleet the United States should have at least two vice admirals," said Dewey. "Three would be better for the efficiency of the navy. This number would make it possible to keep two at sea with another available for relief.

"Two secretaries of the navy already have strongly recommended that the grade be revived and that was before the fleet had reached anything like its present magnitude. While they have not recommended three, I should say that there might be that number of vice admirals."

WOOD CHOPPER KILLED

SANTA ROSA, Dec. 24.—David Buschlassi, while cutting wood near Guerneville, jumped from a spring board to escape a falling tree and alighted on his head, fracturing the skull. He died before medical assistance could be secured.

E. D. Bullard, whose appointment by Mayor Taylor yesterday completed the organization of the new board of health.

NEW BOARD OF HEALTH MEETS AND ORGANIZES

Edward D. Bullard Is Appointed by the Mayor and Accepts

The new board of health appointed by Mayor Taylor under the provisions of the charter amendment adopted at the last election met yesterday and organized.

Edward Dickinson Bullard, a retired electrician, had been named by the mayor earlier in the day to be the seventh member of the board.

When the members met shortly before noon they organized by electing Dr. William Ophuls president of the board. Dr. Ophuls, in a brief speech, thanked his confreres for the honor shown him and then gave a concise statement of the sanitary work performed by the old board, of which he was a member. He explained that all of the clerks in the department are civil service employes and that the only changes, if any are made, would be in the medical corps.

The members then drew lots to fix their terms of service so that one of their number will retire each year if not reappointed by the mayor. Seven slips of paper, each containing a numeral from one to seven, inclusive, were placed in a hat and as the names of the members were called by the secretary each of them drew a slip. The figure on the paper represented the term of service of the person drawing it.

The drawing resulted in the following terms: John P. McLaughlin, one year; Dr. William Ophuls, two years; William F. Wilson, three years; Edward D. Bullard, four years; Curtis Hillyer, five years; Dr. T. W. Huntington, six years, and Dr. Guy Manning, seven years.

The board then adjourned to meet next Friday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

MAY ORDER ACQUITTAL OF PETTIBONE BY JURY

Judge's Words Also Lead Prosecution to Hope for Conviction

BOISE, Idaho, Dec. 24.—Before hearing argument on the motion for an instructed verdict of acquittal, filed by the defense in the Pettibone trial today, Judge Wood announced his conclusions on the question of corroborative evidence and stated that there had not been sufficient corroboration of Orchard's testimony on the killing of Governor Steunenberg alone to warrant a conviction.

He also said that corroboration was necessary to establish a conspiracy, and invited argument as to whether or not such corroboration had been given by the state, and whether or not the defendant had been connected with that conspiracy.

The conclusion of the court means that either the jury will be instructed to acquit the defendant or that the trial will proceed on the proposition that the state is not required to connect Pettibone with the Steunenberg murder, it being necessary only to show that a conspiracy to murder existed; that the defendant on trial was a member of that conspiracy, and that the killing of Steunenberg was an incident thereto.

In the Haywood trial Judge Wood held that it was necessary for the state to produce evidence tending to connect the defendant with the specific crime charged, independent of the testimony of Orchard. His announcment today means that he will either reverse that ruling or sustain the motion of the defense to direct an acquittal. A ruling on the motion will be made Thursday. Judge Wood directed the defense to be ready to proceed with its case at that time in the event the motion was not sustained.

DIVORCE RECORD BROKEN

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—New York broke the divorce record yesterday when it was announced that there were 180 such cases on the calendar in Justice Newburger's part of the supreme court. Only 61 of the cases were ready for hearing and the judge said he might sit again today and attempt to clear up the calendar. Twenty-four cases were disposed of before court adjourned last night.

CALIFORNIANS IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The following Californians are registered at New York hotels: San Francisco—C. G. Koenig, Cadillac; Mrs. M. Richardson, Hotel Astor.

Los Angeles—Miss M. L. Marks, E. Z. Doheny Jr., E. Z. Doheny, Waldorf Astoria.

San Jose—K. M. Stull, F. A. Stull, Herald Square.

DEADLOCK IN COMMISSION INVOLVES POLITICAL JOBS

Democrats Have Irons in the Fire at Headquarters of Police

LEGGETT IN BALANCE

Fight Over Place of Surgeon Begins With Campaign for Coroner

Jobs for two democrats, according to a Bourbon close to the machine, are the stakes being played for in the police commission deadlock over the selection of a police surgeon. Gratitude on the part of Commissioner Leggett is to play an important part in the consummation of the scheme.

According to the democrat who says he knows what the game is, it started with Dr. Leland's campaign for coroner. Leland had, it is said, promised Dr. Bacigalupi his old place as autopsy surgeon. After election the selection of a police surgeon came to the front and Leland, seeing an opportunity to pluck two places for the organization, shunted Bacigalupi into the competition, backed by Commissioner Sweigert.

Commissioners Kyle and Cutler presented the name of Dr. J. S. Stone. Commissioner Leggett declined to fall to either side and announced a candidate of his own in the person of Dr. C. A. Clinton.

Leggett abhors practical politics and the ways of politicians. He was behind Clinton both because he thought Clinton was a competent man and because of personal friendship. Nor was there any politics in the advocacy of Dr. Stone by Commissioners Kyle and Cutler. They considered Stone the man for the place and they have continued to vote for him down to the last ballot taken.

The representatives of the machine would not attempt to talk politics to Leggett in an effort to bring him over. Bacigalupi's name was suddenly dropped and Commissioner Sweigert switched his vote to Leggett's man, Dr. Clinton. The board was deadlocked and with another vote at his back there was less danger of Leggett's swinging over to Stone.

According to those who claim to know the program, the deadlock will be permitted to exist for a time. Then it will be suggested that there is no apparent hope of agreement on either Stone or Clinton—a compromise proposed. The real candidate of the machine will be brought through and the organization will have one more job than it figured on when the good government league and independent republicans declined to take part in the distribution of the patronage harvest reaped by the good government landslide on November 5.

PASSENGER COACH BLOWN OFF TRACK IN STORM

Six Persons Seriously Injured in Peculiar Accident in Colorado

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 24.—The baggage car and first passenger coach of train 25, northbound on the Colorado Southern railroad, which left Denver at 10 o'clock this forenoon, were blown from the track and overturned in the ditch a quarter of a mile north of Marshall, ten miles south of Boulder, about noon today. Six persons were seriously injured and a number of others slightly hurt. The seriously injured are:

J. A. Garrett, ex-justice of the peace and prominent Elk, Long Mountain, Colo.; both legs broken and internal injuries; probably fatal.

Fred Kelley, Fort Collins, Colo.

Robert Sharp, Fort Collins, Colo.

M. C. Lesser, Long Mountain, Colo.

Jackson M. Greiner, conductor, Denver.

Charles Chiles, baggageman, Denver.

A gale has been blowing over northern Colorado throughout the day, the wind at times attaining a velocity of 60 miles an hour and causing much damage by blowing down small farm buildings, trees, telegraph poles, etc.

A large plate glass window was blown in at the Daniels & Fisher department store in this city.

VISITORS ARE ORDERED TO STAY OFF FORTIFICATIONS

Government Provides Heavy Penalties for Trespassers Caught About Hawaiian Mountain

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE CALL

HONOLULU, Dec. 18.—Trespass notices have been posted around the site of the proposed Diamond Head fortifications. Heavy penalties are prescribed for persons found on the slope of the mountain or entering the crater. Some time ago it was rumored that a Japanese was employed on the work, but it turned out that the man is a Filipino.

Captain Otwell, engineer in charge of the work, is pushing it to completion. Closing the crater to visitors will be a privation to many people here who make the ascent of Diamond Head frequently and sometimes go down into the crater.

"I've Had Experience"

"With Hood's Sarsaparilla, and am convinced it is a great medicine,"—this is the substance of 40,366 letters by actual count, received in two years. They tell of cures of all blood diseases, loss of appetite, rheumatism, after-fever weakness, that tired feeling, nervous weakness, dyspepsia, catarrh.

No Equal—"I can say from experience that Hood's Sarsaparilla is without an equal." Emma L. Bowman, 11 Beacon street, Lowell, Mass.

Eczema—"I had eczema and tried everything I heard of, but nothing helped me until I took Hood's Sarsaparilla. Thanks to this medicine, I am now well." George Vanalstyne, South Bethlehem, N. Y.

Muscular Rheumatism—"My father had muscular rheumatism. Was confined to his bed. He took two bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla and was entirely cured." Bertha L. Perrin, box 1026, Springfield, Mass.

Hood's Sarsaparilla is sold everywhere. In the usual liquid or in tablet form called **Sarsatabs.** 100 Doses One Dollar. Prepared only by C. I. Hood Co., Lowell, Mass.

VICHY CELESTINS

Avoid substitutes so-called "VICHY" offered by unscrupulous dealers

A STUDY IN EVOLUTION

The Twentieth Century Home for Comfort Loving People

WHERE IT MAY BE FOUND

New York ranks first among all cities in the number, size and elegance of its hotels. To use the words of a well known traveler, these are "noted throughout the world for their unparalleled luxury and magnificence, and their perfect adaptability to every requirement." In these twentieth century days the standard of living is very much higher and it takes vastly more to make well to do people feel at home than it did fifty years ago. An entirely new type of hotel has been evolved during the past decade. The first of this modern type, the one which excited the greatest wonder and admiration at its opening, and which now after two years of successful existence is still the leader among New York's hotels de luxe, is the St. Regis. It is ideally located, splendidly planned, fitted and furnished to secure the utmost comfort, and is admirably managed.

The St. Regis meets the wants of a large and growing class of people who desire the highest quality of hotel accommodations; people who have the best of everything at home and demand all home comforts and conveniences when they visit New York on business or pleasure.

To catalogue the exquisite details of St. Regis interiors here would be useless and unnecessary. To be fully appreciated they must be seen and enjoyed. On your next visit to New York stop at this twentieth century hotel. Your every creature comfort will be carefully attended to and you will find, as thousands of others have found, that at no other hotel can such good value be obtained for your expenditure, which will be no more than you would pay at any other first class hotel.

COFFEE

The usual coffee is poor stuff; the substitutes worse; there's plenty of good.

Your grocer returns your money if you don't like Schilling's Best; we pay him.

STATEMENT

OF THE CONDITIONS AND AFFAIRS OF THE

North British and Mercantile INSURANCE COMPANY

OF LONDON, ENGLAND, ON THE 31ST DAY of December, A. D. 1906, and for the year ending on that day. Published pursuant to the Provisions of Section 611 of the Political Code and compiled from the annual statement filed with the Insurance Commissioner of the State of California.

CAPITAL	
Amount of Capital Stock, paid up in Cash	$3,437,500.00
ASSETS	
Real Estate owned by Company	$3,482,391.87
Loans on Bonds and Mortgages	38,458.75
Cash Market Value of all Stocks and Bonds owned by Company	13,428,627.39
Amount of Loans secured by pledge of Bonds, Stocks and other marketable securities as collateral	100,000.00
Cash in Company's Office	16,911.72
Cash in Banks	1,131,833.23
Interest due and accrued	73,501.48
Premiums in due Course of Collection	2,350,301.06
Bills receivable, not Matured, taken for Fire and Marine Risks	80,647.46
Salvage Corps premises	69,858.41
	$20,781,531.41
Deduct:	
Due to Life Department $75.23	
Bills Payable 37,458.33	37,533.56
Total Assets	$20,743,997.85
LIABILITIES	
Losses adjusted and unpaid, losses in process of Adjustment or in Suspense, losses resisted, including expenses	$947,734.25
Gross premiums on Fire Risks running one year or less, $10,314,088.92; reinsurance, 50 per cent	5,157,044.46
Reinsurance premiums	840,661.56
All other Liabilities	161,219.83
Total Liabilities	$7,106,660.09
INCOME	
Net cash actually received for Fire premiums	$10,362,340.58
Received from interest and dividends on Bonds, Stocks, Loans, and from all other sources	428,954.42
Received for Rents	153,418.94
Transfer fees	632.50
Total Income	$10,945,346.42
EXPENDITURES	
Net amount paid for Fire Losses (including $1,364,253.59 losses of previous years)	$8,193,775.92
Dividends to Stock Holders	976,006.68
Paid or allowed for Commission or Brokerage	1,758,047.36
Paid for Salaries, Fees, and other charges for officers, clerks, etc.; paid for State, National and Local taxes and rents	1,769,109.28
All other payments and expenditures	57,916.31
Total Expenditures	$12,748,855.47
Losses incurred during the year	Fire. $8,888,043.32

RISKS AND PREMIUMS

	Fire Risks.	Premiums.
Net amount of Risks written during the year	$8,743,144,398	$10,313,405.43
Net amount of Risks expired during the year	3,691,882,440	9,800,757.84
Net amount in force Dec. 31, 1906	3,284,707,805	8,249,948.38

W. T. PRICE, Manager.

ROBERT CARMICHAEL, Secretary.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 12th day of April, 1907.

JOHN E. NEWTON, Notary Public.

PACIFIC DEPARTMENT

TOM C. GRANT, W. S. BERDAN } General Agents.

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