

PLAIN NEGLIGENCE OF DUTY CHARGED.

ATTORNEY GENERAL ARRAIGNED.

Anti-Trust League to Oppose Confirmation of Mr. Knox's Appointment for Failure to Prosecute Under Sherman Act.

A largely attended meeting of the executive board of the Anti-Trust League of this city was held last night at the headquarters of the league, 1229 Pennsylvania Avenue, H. B. Martin presiding.

The meeting had been called to discuss matters in connection with the petition of the joint committee of the American Anti-Trust League and District Assembly 65, Knights of Labor, presented to Attorney General Knox.

After a protracted and animated discussion of the matter, a draft of resolutions was formulated, to be submitted to a general meeting of the league for discussion and action.

Whereas the joint committee of the Anti-Trust League and District Assembly 65, Knights of Labor, did, on September 6, 1901, present to the Hon. P. C. Knox, Attorney General of the United States, the enclosed petition, embodying not only ample and probable cause for him to take action against the United States Steel Corporation, the Standard Oil Company, the Armour Plate Trust, and the anthracite coal combine, but also submitted positive proof of violations of the law on the part of at least two of the above named trusts, and that the said committee, whereas said Attorney General P. C. Knox has neglected and refused to perform his plain duty in the interests of the public, and that the said committee, in its promise, greatly to the injury of the public welfare; and

His former business associates. "Whereas his negligence in this respect has permitted to go free of punishment for violations of law men who he admits were his former business associates and employees; and

Whereas said Attorney General P. C. Knox has by this conduct exhibited an apparent carelessness and neglect of duty which mark him as conspicuously unfit for the office which he now holds; and

Resolved, That we respectfully petition the Senate of the United States, when the name of P. C. Knox is presented to your honorable body, that it be referred to the Senate Committee of the Judiciary, in order that a fair and full examination into all the facts and circumstances surrounding the case of the said Attorney General P. C. Knox may have opportunity to be heard in the case."

LEAVES THE GREAT NORTHERN.

Schiff Declines Re-election No Significance to His Action.

NEW YORK, Nov. 29.—Jacob H. Schiff, head of the Wall Street banking house of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., has declined a re-election as director of the Great Northern, a place held by him since 1892.

Mr. Schiff is also a director of the Union Pacific Railroad and during the struggle between the Harriman syndicate and the Morgan-Hill interests for control of the Northern Pacific last May, Mr. Schiff was actively on the side of the Harriman or Union Pacific interests.

The report current in Wall Street immediately after the Northern Pacific fight was that James J. Hill would leave Mr. Schiff's name off the list of directors at the ensuing Great Northern election. This report proved to be erroneous, for Mr. Schiff was re-elected at the recent annual meeting of the Great Northern shareholders, which was controlled by President Hill.

His interest in the Union Pacific is large and it is probable that he will remain in the directorate of that company for some time to come. He is also a director of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad, which is controlled by George J. Gould. The relations between Mr. Gould and Mr. Schiff are known to be very close.

No significance is attached to Mr. Schiff's retirement from the Great Northern board as relating to the opposition of the Governors of the Northwestern States to the Securities Company's control of the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern roads.

E. H. Harriman, the head of the Union Pacific system, is still a director of the Northern Pacific and Northern Securities Company. His retirement from each of these places is regarded as practically assumed as a concession to the Northwestern sentiment against re-election of the control of competing lines.

W. B. Egan, of St. Paul, succeeds Jacob H. Schiff as a director of the Great Northern Railroad. Three-fourths of the members of the board are now personal representatives of James J. Hill.

TO CLOSE ITS CASE TODAY.

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Detective Sergeant Edward Horne, who secured the original confession from Mrs. Bonine, was then called. He is a fat little man with a bald head, florid face, and grey mustache. He described his occupation with a grin and told of being detailed to the Ayres case.

"The first time I ever saw Mrs. Bonine," he said, "was at the Kenmore on May 15. There were a number of persons present. We questioned her about it. I asked her about the scar on her hand and she told me that she got it while reaching up after some blouse."

"I saw her every day after that until Monday," said the witness. "On Monday I saw her at the Sixth precinct station. I brought her into the sergeant's room and she asked me if I would be paid for anything I could find out. I told her no. She then told me that she was in Ayres' room at the time of the shooting."

"He came to my room and asked for medicine," she said. "I gave him some laxative and he tried to put his arm around me. I told him to go away, but he said that he was going away in the morning and wanted to see me."

Inside Ayres' Room. "She went to the door of his room and started to turn the handle of the door, when Ayres opened it. He was partly behind the door, and half-shoved her in, closing the door behind her. She then saw that he was almost naked, and had a pistol in his hand. He attempted to take liberties with her, she said. There was a struggle. The revolver was discharged. She started to go out of the door, but heard a noise in the hall, and went out of the window, and up to her room. She washed the blood from her hands in the bathroom, she said, and went to bed."

The Struggle Described. In describing the manner in which Mrs. Bonine said the struggle had occurred, Detective Horne said that she claimed to have been standing with her back to Ayres. His left arm was around her waist, and his right hand, containing the revolver, was thrown over her right shoulder. She grabbed the muzzle of the pistol with both hands, and in the struggle the shots were fired. She felt the blood gush over her shoulder, Ayres' body fell on top of her. She slipped from her position and got up.

The witness said that a few days before the confession Mrs. Bonine had said to him that she "had a thought, but was afraid to express it, because she might do injustice to the dead."

"I told her," continued Detective Horne, "that she could not harm the dead, but she said no more at that time."

Before Major Sylvester. "After the confession I took her to Major Sylvester," said the witness. "Here she repeated the confession, which was taken down by a stenographer."

Under cross-examination the witness said that Mrs. Bonine had told him that when Ayres threw his arm around her in his room he did not intend to choke her. He admitted that Mrs. Bonine had told him that the pistol had gone off so rapidly that she hardly knew how the shots were fired or how many there were.

When asked if she was ever in Ayres' room she said that she had often stood in the doorway with Ayres, but never went inside.

The first information she had of the death of Ayres, she said, was when told by some one that he had shot himself. She said that she had been in Ayres' room at the time of the shooting or had been in the place of Miss Wimas. In the next room, she would have pressed the call bell. This would have been her first thought. She declared she believed that a man had shot Ayres, as did all of the women in the hotel. She said that a woman could not have committed the crime. She could not believe that anyone she knew of could have killed Ayres.

Slayer Might Be a Woman. In the statement Mrs. Bonine admitted having liked Ayres very much, she thought a great deal of him. She said she saw some woman in the house might have committed the crime, but that she could not place it on anyone.

The names of several women connected with the case were not read, but were kept secret, by order of the court.

Mrs. Bonine admitted that a woman in the house could have been jealous because Ayres was about to leave, and went to his room to induce him to stay. She might have had a revolver, and after pleading with him to stay, threatened to kill herself and him, and in the struggle he might have been shot.

Attorney Gould then read the confession made by Mrs. Bonine at Police Headquarters. This states that Ayres had come to her room at 2 o'clock in the morning and had asked for something for a chill. She said in this statement she offered to give him some liniment which she had, but found she had none. He asked her to come to his room to talk their differences over. She dressed and went to his room.

Pistol in Ayres' Hand. When she entered Ayres' room she saw that he had nothing on but an undershirt. In his hand he held a pistol and

this he pointed at her, saying: "I guess you will listen to me now." She ran toward the window to escape, but her foot slipped and she fell on her back. There was a struggle, but as her back was toward him all the time she did not know how the shots were fired or that Ayres was shot until the blood poured over her shoulder from his mouth.

The woman then declared that she had no idea how the wounds were inflicted or how many shots were fired. She did not know how she got away from Ayres or how she reached the first-escape. All she realized was that she was on the ladder going down to the next landing.

She said that Ayres was in a dazed condition when she went to his room. He might have had a few drinks, she said, but was not drunk.

Mrs. Bonine Cried for Help. She it was, she stated, who cried "Help!" "Help!" after the shots were fired. She did this because she thought Ayres was going to kill her, as he fell on her and pushed her down. Ayres had the revolver, Mrs. Bonine said, to force her to comply with his wishes. She started to run as soon as she saw that he was undressed, but he closed the door with his left hand and drenched the revolver in his right.

At the conclusion of the reading of the documents they were admitted as evidence.

Saw Mrs. Bonine in Ayres' Room. William W. Pierce, who lives at Takoma Park, and who was employed at the Kenmore as a painter at the time of the tragedy, was then called. He stated that he had repaired the lock on the door of Ayres' room twice within a week before the tragedy, and then put a new lock on it. On two of his visits he saw Mrs. Bonine in the room. On the first occasion the door was closed when he found her in the room. On the occasion of the second visit, she was standing in the room, and when he was fixing the lock, she asked him to leave the lock so that she could get into the room whenever she pleased.

On cross-examination, the witness said that Mrs. Bonine was alone in the room on both occasions, and that she was reading Ayres' books.

Finding the Empty Shells. Detective Charles T. Peck was called and said that he had inspected Ayres' room on the morning of the tragedy, just after the body had been removed. He said that he found three empty cartridges in the room, one on the washstand, and two in the slop jar. He found no other empty shells. He said that he had seen Mrs. Bonine as to her ability to use a revolver and that she had told him that she had learned to shoot in Florida at the request of her husband.

On cross-examination, the witness said that Detective Farham had stood beside him when he found the three empty cartridges. There were nine loaded cartridges on a table.

At the suggestion of District Attorney Gould, the session was adjourned at 2:30 until today, when Detective Farham will identify the furniture found in Ayres' room.

No Plea to Dismiss. Attorneys Douglas, Fulton, and Keene, counsel for Mrs. Bonine, have decided not to enter a plea for the discharge of their client on the ground of lack of evidence which the prosecution shall have rested its case. It had been proposed to endeavor to have the case thrown out of court on this ground, but after consultation it was deemed better to let the trial continue.

"What we want is a complete vindication for Mrs. Bonine," said Charles A. Douglas, senior counsel for the accused, yesterday. "We are confident that we can get this, and therefore see nothing to be gained by endeavoring to have the case thrown out of court. We may obtain both a complete vindication."

READY FOR ANNUAL GAMBLE. Members of the House Numbered for the Sent Lottery.

The members of the House have all been numbered preparatory to the annual lottery for seats, which takes place on Monday.

Captain McKee, Journal Clerk of the House, has prepared the list with great care, as a slight mistake in the alphabetical arrangement of the names might make a considerable difference in the drawing.

Two years ago a mistake in the list placed the names of Representative Boutelle of Maine before that of Boutelle of Illinois. The number assigned Boutelle of Maine came out sixth in the drawing, so that the Hon. Boutelle of Illinois properly numbered he would have had the sixth choice of seats. As it was, his number came almost last, and he had to content himself with an obscure seat in the rear of the hall.

There are 299 names on the list, which are numbered. Owing to the certainty that Mr. McKee will not be selected, Speaker's name does not appear on the list, but the other 298 members and the four Territorial delegates are properly numbered, beginning with Acheson and ending with Zeno.

THE RANK OF VICE ADMIRAL. Bill to Be Introduced in Congress to Revive the Grade.

A bill providing for the revival of the grade of vice admiral, with four numbers in it, has been prepared by the Secretary of the Navy, and will be submitted to Congress. A feature of the bill is to reduce the number of rear admirals from eighteen to fourteen, and it provides that these officers shall have the same rank and pay as major generals in the army. At present nine of the sixteen rear admirals have the rank and pay of brigadier generals, and the other nine the rank and pay of major generals.

While it is not so stated in the bill, it is understood to be the purpose of the Administration, should the measure become a law, to promote to the grade of vice admiral the four senior rear admirals in the active list at that time. The four senior rear admirals are Howell, Remey, Farquhar, and Wainwright. The senior of the active list is Rear Admiral Wainwright, and the other three are retired.

Howell and Farquhar will be retired next March, and should the bill become a law until after that time the four others to be promoted will be Remey, Watson, Geary, and Higginson. Watson and Geary will be promoted this year, respectively, on the list of rear admirals, but both of them will be retired in February, so that they have no chance of promotion if Congress should give the admirals' commissions to officers on the active list.

CURE FOR PILES. Dr. Rice's Wonderful Home Treatment That Cures and Avoids All Operations.

He Sends a Free Trial to Every Sufferer and It Will Cure Worst Cases.

By sending your name and address to Dr. W. S. Rice, 127 P. Main St., Adams, N. Y., he will gladly send you a free trial of his wonderful cure for piles. He has the best method and the only real practical treatment known, and it will cure you no matter how long you have had them. It has cured hundreds of cases that were so bad that surgical operations were advised as the only relief. It is a remarkable treatment and no one should fail to send for it. Don't waste time, money, and health in useless drug store salves, ointments, pills, and other failures, but write to Dr. Rice for a free trial of the only sure cure for piles known.



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The \$10, \$12.50, and \$15.00 Grades Are Immensely Popular

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CHOICE is offered of 250 Men's Handsome Grey Oxford Mixed, Plaid Scotch Cheviot and Plain Black Thibet of heavy-weight Overcoats, cut the stylish long length and the correct back fullness, with the bell skirt; well made and lined. In fact, they are worth \$12.50. \$10.00

FINE Grey Oxford Mixed Overcoats, cut extra long and extra full, with that graceful hang that only our Coats have; rye back and front, cuffs, velvet collar, well lined and tailored. We don't hesitate to have you compare them with anybody's \$15 Coats. \$12.50

ANOTHER extraordinary value—choice of 300 Men's Long Overcoats, in Gray, Green, and Brown Oxford Mixtures; Plain Brown Kerseys and Fancy Overplaid Scotch Cheviots; full back; some with yoke, others plain; cuffs, velvet collar, Italian and silk-lined with wool linings; satin sleeve linings. These are worth a \$20 marking. \$15.00

Strong Offerings for the Boys Today. Now comes the time when the makers of Young Men's and Boys' Clothing look to a closing of their season. As a matter of course the fruits of sacrifice fall into the hands of their biggest customers—which we are of all the recognized best makers. Some of the lots are large; some are small; but the charm of underbuying is strong in each.

THERE are 125 High-class Short Pants Suits, one, two, and three of a kind, including Double-breasted, Norfolk, Sailor, and Novelty styles, some plain and others fancy in effect, in sizes from 4 to 15 years. They are the suits that were made to sell at from \$8.00 to \$10.00. They'll be sold on sale today at— \$3.95

A LOT of Boys' Short Pants Suits, Double-breasted style, made in Plain Blue and Fancy Gray cut, most with most durable serge and value \$12.50. Special. \$1.45

THE Young Men from 15 to 20 years will have the choice of a lot of Fancy Cheviot Single-breasted Suits, all wool and cut on the broad shoulder, fit-in waist military effect that's all the rage. In- stead of \$9.00, the worth of them, they are marked— \$7.50

BOYS' Reefers, Blue Chinchilla, and Grey Oxford Mixed; Double-breasted cut and lined with cloth for greater warmth; sizes 2 to 8 years; worth \$2.50, so we say "bargain" at— \$1.45

GREEN and Grey Oxford Mixed Overcoats for Boys from 4 to 16 years; stylishly cut, with full back, flaring skirt and full length; slash pockets. Worth \$3.00. \$3.50

We Ought to be the Shoe Mecca Today, with Such Important Offerings. LADIES' Black Vici Kid Button and Lace and Patent Leather Lace Shoes; easy sole-weight, with extension edge and Cuban heels. \$1.75 is the value. See the price— \$1.05

MEN'S Black Vici Kid, Wax, and Chrome Calf Lace and Congress Shoes; plain or tipped toes; oak-tanned soles, with extension edge; stylish lasts; worth \$3.99. \$1.85

A COMBINATION of seven of our best selling lots of Boys', Misses', and Children's Dress and School Shoes; every pair guaranteed strictly all solid leather and reliable in every respect. Not a pair in the lot worth less than \$2. Special choice today. \$1.23

FUNERAL OF MRS. DALLAS. Prince Murat, and she received her pension until her death.

Mrs. Dallas is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Mary Byrd Strong, of 2015 G Street northwest; a grandson, Conrad Murat Strong, also of Washington; a brother, Achille Murat Willis, who lives in Texas, and a cousin, Miss Ataway Lewis, of Washington.

LEAK IN D STREET SEWER. A Displacement Caused by Vault in Kuhn's Stores.

On complaint of S. Kana, Sons & Co. the District Commissioners recently issued an order to repair the sewer in D Street opposite the vault recently constructed in the rear of their stores on D Street. The complaint was based on the fact that the sewer was leaking badly into the vault.

During the progress of the repair work the fact was developed that a settlement in the sewer of two and a quarter feet had occurred, due, it was thought, to the excavation for the vault. The sewer was also displaced laterally, thus causing the leak.

The sewer has now been repaired, and Captain Harding, in charge of the Sewer Department, has recommended that the cost of the repairs be charged against the company to whose work the sewer was the trouble was due.

A DULL DAY FOR MATRIMONY. Only Four Marriage Licenses Issued Yesterday.

But four couples secured licenses yesterday to entitle them to be united in bonds of matrimony in the District of Columbia. The following marriage licenses were issued: John R. Keran, District of Columbia, and Sallie J. Francis, Leesburg, Va. James A. Beverly and Alice Diggs, Louisville, Ky. Louis T. Shipley and Elizabeth K. Newell. Robert W. Walker and Jennie Jackson.

Long Discussion on Tariff. MELBOURNE, Nov. 29.—The Federal House of Representatives rose last night after a thirty-three hours sitting in the discussion of the federal tariff bill.

MEN'S Extra Fine Plain and Fancy Cheviot Suits; some of the popular Oxford Mixtures among them; cut in Single Breasted Sack style, in conservative and extreme military effect; well made, well lined, and perfect fitting. Not a Suit worth less than \$12.50. \$10.00

WIDE variety is offered for choice—Black and Blue Cheviots, Black Thibets, Fancy Cheviots and Cassimeres, Oxfords and Scotch effects; made up in the most stylish manner and cut on "Fit Reformers" perfect-fitting patterns. Instead of \$15, we mark them— \$12.50

THE best Suit value we have ever offered at the price—Fancy Cheviots, Plain Black and Blue Cheviots and Thibets, Winter-weight Blue Serge; Single and Double Breasted cut, Military and Square, and carefully tailored throughout. Some are good value at \$18, others worth \$20. \$15.00

Men's \$3 and \$3.50 Hats - - \$1.45 They've got "Saks" in the crown, but we had it put there because we want all the credit for selling such Hats at such a price. There are 50 dozen—Derbys and Soft Hats, and they were made for a concern who canceled the order when it was a fortnight overdue. That accounts for \$3.50 Hats for \$1.45. But we guarantee the value and the shapes and the "bargain." The Derbys are all Black—but there are several shapes, including the "taper" crown. The Soft Hats are in assorted shapes—Fedora, Manhattan Panama, Pan-tourist, etc., and in Black, Steel, and Pearl. The whole 600 ought to be gone by tonight.

MEN'S Heavy Blue Cloth Winter Caps, with full cape; 75c worth \$1. Special. \$1.45

BOYS' Toboggan Caps, all wool, full length; plain and gay 25c colors; regular 50c grade. Special. \$1.45

Some Extra Special Offerings in Men's Furnishings. FLEECE-LINED Shirts and Drawers, of best weight and well made; Shirts have pearl buttons and are silk trimmed; Drawers reinforced, suspender tapes, and pearl buttons. This is 66c Underwear we 45c are offering at—

FULL line of Men's Wool Gloves; plain and fancy effects; splendid value at 25c a pair; Plain White, Grey, and Red Wool Gloves; 50c the latest knitting—

HERE'S a Hosiery snap—Men's Grey Wool and Camel's Hair Half Hose, and now's the weather you want them; regular 12c quality—12c

MEN'S Domet Flannel Night Shirts, cut extra long and 50c full; none sold anywhere else at 65c are as good. Special. \$1.45

MEN'S Silk Initial Japonette Handkerchiefs; all letters; 10c Worth 15c each. Special. \$1.45

BIG lot of Men's Fancy Silk Neckwear, in new effects; Imperials, Narrow Four-in-Hands that are reversible, and Tecks. These 29c are 50c Silks. Choice—

TIE-UP AT M'KEESPORT. Practically No Freight Moving in or Out of the City.

McKEESPORT, Pa., Nov. 29.—Although the railway switchmen in McKeesport have been ordered to strike, and the order has been out for more than twenty-four hours, it has not been obeyed. A few of the men on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad have struck, but the results have not yet proved serious.

In spite of this, the manufacturing and other establishments of the city are almost paralyzed by the strike. The Monongahela division of the Pennsylvania has been completely tied up, and not a car of freight to or from this city has been taken over the Pennsylvania line since Monday morning.

The Baltimore and Ohio is badly crippled by the strike at other places and neither are nor other supplies has been received over that road. The National Tube Company's mills are still in operation but it is not thought they will be able to keep going after this week unless the strike should end tomorrow.

The railroad officials claim that no serious difficulty is being met with in handling freight. On the other hand, shippers and merchants who are awaiting goods are losing money through inability to get their orders.

MINISTERS CONFER A DEGREE. Baptist Clergymen Claim They Have the Right to Do So.

RICHMOND, Va., Nov. 29.—The Baptist ministers of Accomac, ten or twelve in number, have just taken a most unwise action, which has caused no little excitement in the religious world.

At a secret session they conferred the degree of doctor of divinity upon one of their number and have come out strongly for the doctrine that they have as much right to do so as the institutions of learning.

They hold, furthermore, that every minister of good standing should have a degree conferred upon him by his fellows. There is a probability that this line will be followed in the future, and that the number of D. D.'s will increase very materially.

THE SWEATING PROGRESS! which was used in olden days to cure a cough or cold, is the most dangerous kind of treatment. It opens the pores and very often the patient when exposed after the sweating contracts pneumonia and consumption.

Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup "THE ONE THAT CURES." will cure the cough and cold and heal the throat and lungs without leaving any bad after-effects or danger of contracting a more serious cough. Be sure you get DR. BULL'S, with the "Bull's Head" on the package. Refuse substitutes offered by unscrupulous Dealers. They are not as good as Dr. Bull's and will not cure. Large bottles of the genuine "Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup" are all druggists, etc.

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