WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Partly cloudy today and tomorrow; little change in temperature; light southerly winds.

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NO ACTION YET IN KNOX CASE.

The Senate Decides to Await Anti-Trust Charges.

SURPRISED BY HOAR'S POSITION.

President and Cabinet Officers Reported Annoyed by Failure to Confirm Nomination of the Attorney General.

As the result of a number of charges which were filed with Senator Hoar, chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary, the Senate yesterday decided to hold up the nomination of Philander C. Knox to be Attorney General for another week. The delegation which presented the charges will be given until Saturday to prepare proofs and obtain witnesses, and a hearing will then be given by the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hoar's Stand.

President Roosevelt and the members of his Cabinet are said to be annoyed over the action of the Senate in withholding action on the nomination of Mr. Knox in response to the charges filed by the Anti-Trust League. They are surprised that the present situation should have been made possible with the consent of a Republican Senator—Mr. Hoar of Massachusetts, chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary.

The committee made a favorable report on the nomination two or three days ago, but after doing so agreed to have the Senate withhold action until the Anti-Trust League could formulate its charges against the Attorney General in writing and present evidence. They have been given until Saturday to do so, and this, of course, will carry the whole question over until next week at least.

The committee formally notified Mr. Knox of the charges against him, and asked if he had any reply to make. He answered that he had not.

Wanted Unanimous Consent.

In behalf of Senator Hoar, it is stated that he was compelled to yield to the demand of the Anti-Trust League for delay, under the threat of Senator Jones of Arkansas, the Democratic leader in the Senate, that if this was not done he and his party would oppose confirmation. Of course this would not be effective, but the Republican Senators naturally desire that unanimous action be obtained.

The text of the charges against Mr. Knox follows:

The Text of the Charges.

"First—That P. C. Knox was guilty of criminal practice while the attorney for the Armor Plate Trust.

"Second—That he advised and assisted the officials of the Armor Plate Trust in robbing the United States Government of millions of dollars annually.

"Third—That directly to him have been traced the operations which were successful in looting the Treasury of millions of dollars.

"Fourth—That he stands today a confessed participant in the criminal practices used to obtain sums of money.

"Fifth—That an investigation will show the truth of these charges and that such an investigation must be had before the nomination can be confirmed.

"Sixth—That P. C. Knox, having been in collusion with criminals himself, is not a proper man for the office of Attorney General, as he will never prosecute those great criminals who he admits were his former friends and employers."

Papers Filed by a Delegation.

The charges were filed with the committee yesterday by a delegation of officers of the Anti-Trust League and representatives of labor organizations. They claim to be strongly fortified with proofs, and on Saturday will produce a number of witnesses from Pittsburg and elsewhere, among them Attorney John Rice, who has had several legal battles with the Attorney General, and who, the league officers claim, brings with him much damaging evidence.

Senators Hoar and Pettus received the charges from the delegation, and promised to give them due consideration.

Say Democrats Will Oppose.

A number of Democratic Senators were called upon by the protesting delegation, and it is claimed that nearly all promised to vote against the confirmation of Mr. Knox.

It was stated yesterday morning that Senator Jones of Arkansas had promised to make a motion to refer the nomination back to the committee until an investigation could be instituted.

It is said in some quarters that an effort is being made to arouse opposition, so that while the nomination may be eventually confirmed, the reproof of its having been held up so long a time will stick to the new Attorney General.

GENERAL WOOD SAILS.

Believes That Reciprocity With Cuba Will Be Granted.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—General Leonard Wood, Military Governor of Cuba, who sailed today for Havana by the Ward Liner Yucatan, said that he believed that reciprocity with the island would be sanctioned by Congress.

Many members who originally had expressed doubt about the measure had been persuaded that it would be the salvation of the Cuban people, and would vote for it. The general intimated that President Roosevelt was in favor of the scheme.

"It will be not only a good thing for Cuba," the general said, "but also a benefit to the United States. The prosperity of the island depends upon more favorable tariff laws. I believe that there will be reciprocity between this country and Cuba."

CANDIDATE FOR THE SENATE.

Representative Hopkins, of Illinois, Would Not Mind the Toga.

AURORA, Ill., Dec. 11.—Representative Albert J. Hopkins today formally announced his candidacy for the United States Senate before a meeting of the leading Republicans of this district, held in the city hall here.

Flynn's Business College, 8th and K. Business, Shorthand, Typewriting—$25 a year.

GAGE NOT TO RESIGN.

False Rumor Gains Circulation in New York City.

Rumor had it in Wall Street yesterday that Secretary Gage intended shortly to resign the Treasury portfolio in order to become manager of an extension of the National City Bank interests in Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippine Islands. The report, by reason of its persistency, gained considerable currency in banking circles, and was very generally believed.

Secretary Gage, when interviewed last night about the foregoing report, said there was no foundation for the rumor that he intended to resign, and that the story is false from beginning to end.

WOLCOTTS TO BE REUNITED.

President and Mrs. Roosevelt Said to Be Effecting a Reconciliation.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—A Washington special to the "Journal" says Capitol society attaches great significance to the fact that Mrs. Edward Wolcott, former wife of the ex-Senator from Colorado, is the guest of the White House.

Mrs. Wolcott arrived on Monday, and society since has been astir with the rumors afloat that President and Mrs. Roosevelt are bending their every effort toward effecting a complete reconciliation between Mr. and Mrs. Wolcott.

President Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt have for years been on terms of great intimacy with Mrs. Wolcott. A Denver special on the subject says ex-Senator Wolcott has let contracts for $10,000 worth of improvements on Wollhurst, his beautiful country home, and his intimate friends say that his purpose is to fit the place up to receive there his former wife.

The story comes from Washington that Mrs. Roosevelt has interested herself to effect a reconciliation between the two.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST TOM JOHNSON BEGINS.

BOARD OF CONTROL ATTACKED.

Plan to Destroy the Cleveland Mayor's Most Powerful Political Machine—No Anxiety Over the Outcome.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 11.—The first step toward undermining Mayor Tom L. Johnson's power in politics was taken at Columbus today, when a quo warranto suit was filed in the Supreme Court to oust from office the board of control of this city.

The man behind the gun in the suit is Frederick J. Van Wey, a foreign sign painter, of 38 Woodlawn Avenue, and the attorney in the case is Charles D. Gibbons. It is claimed, however, that these men are merely acting at the instigation of certain Republican politicians.

Said to Be Illegal.

It is claimed that the board of control, which consists of the director of law, the director of fire, the director of charities and corrections, the director of police and the city auditor, all of whom hold office under the appointment of Mayor Johnson, is unconstitutional and illegal, on the ground that the act providing for the appointment of the directors is in conflict with the State constitution.

If the petitioner should win his suit it would not affect Mr. Johnson directly, as he would continue to serve his term, but it would effectually knock out the powerful machine he has constructed, inasmuch as all of the officials he has appointed and their subordinates, whose appointments he has dictated, would be ousted.

Governor Nash would then appoint a board of public works, which would take charge of the city's business, except that of the treasurer. This board would serve until next spring, when the form of government would revert to that in vogue before the present plan went into effect. The mayor would be shorn of his veto power and be a mere figurehead.

Not Worried Over the Result.

Local politicians claim that if Mayor Johnson's local machine can thus be broken up, all chance of his becoming a factor in State and national politics will be a thing of the past. Director of Law M. W. Beacom, speaking for Mayor Johnson, pooh-poohed any possibility of the present plan of government being knocked out, and characterized the suit as "the last dying gasp of a few cheap skate politicians."

CAPTAIN DIAMOND DISMISSED.

Dropped From the Police Force of New York City.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Capt. Thomas J. Diamond, of the Fifth precinct, who has got more than one policeman, including Bissert, into trouble, was dismissed from the force today by Commissioner Murphy as the result of his conviction at Albany on charges of willful neglect of duty.

The order caused a shock in the police department, for few had believed that he would be dropped.

When Commissioner Murphy was asked about his decision he said:

"I had no alternative under the law."

WAKEMAN NOT DECIDED.

Uncertain Whether to Resign or to Await Removal.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Appraiser Wilbur F. Wakeman has not made up his mind whether he will resign or take the advice of some of his friends and allow President Roosevelt to remove him.

Mr. Wakeman said tonight that he would reply within a day or so to the request of Secretary Gage for his resignation.

KITCHENER IN THE FIELD.

British General Directing Movements of Troops in Person.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—A despatch to the "Telegraph" from Pretoria states that Gen. Ian Hamilton has arrived there, and that General Kitchener has taken the field and is directing the movements of the British troops.

DATE OF DEPEW'S WEDDING.

The Senator to Be Married on December 24.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Senator Depew, it was announced tonight, is to be married to Miss May Palmer, at Nice, on December 24.

There will be a short honeymoon in Europe and the Senator will be back in his seat in the Senate early in January.

CASE MAY GO TO JURY TODAY.

Attorneys Summing Up in the Bonine Trial.

MR. TAGGART CLOSES HIS ARGUMENTS

Junior Counsel Begins for the Defence—The Prisoner Denounced by the Government as a Monster and Praised as a Lucretia by Her Own Lawyers.

The fate of Mrs. Bonine may be decided today.

Yesterday Mr. Taggart, for the prosecution, concluded his closing argument against the prisoner, and Mr. Fulton, for the defence, began his argument.

Arguments Close Today.

This morning Mr. Fulton will resume his summing up for the defence, and will be followed by Mr. Douglass, senior counsel for the defence. The District Attorney will close for the Government, and then Justice Anderson will charge the jury.

There is a strong possibility of the case going to the jury this evening, unless the court should defer its charge until tomorrow morning. That will all depend on the time consumed in argument by the different lawyers.

An Acquittal Likely.

If the expressions among lawyers and people around the City Hall experienced in such matters are indicative of the result Mrs. Bonine will be acquitted.

Erudite woman as Mrs. Bonine is said to be, it is doubtful whether she ever realized until yesterday the wealth of the English language in epithets and complimentary adjectives. During the speeches of the Government and the defence the prism of her character was reflected in every possible light, as she was painted in the various colors the opposing lawyers had mixed on the palettes of their arguments.

Denunciation of the Prosecution.

To Mr. Taggart she was an assassin, barren of pity, deliberate in her crime. He sketched a brief outline of her, standing with the smoking revolver in hand, in Ayres' room, coolly watching his life ebb away in the bloody pool through which her feet had trailed.

He took for his text Shakespeare's warning that "Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned." He denounced her as a faithless wife, who killed Ayres because he would have no more of her.

Mrs. Bonine Unmoved.

Through this scathing review of life, as she was said to have lived it at the Kenmore, Mrs. Bonine sat unmoved. Indeed, Mr. Taggart's attack seemed rather amusing to her, for her lips broke into a smile when his denunciation had reached its greatest height.

Flattery is still dear to her soul, as to most women, for she drank in Mr. Fulton's every word, and when his eloquence surrounded her with all the virtues of a true wife and mother, she nodded her head in approval, and clasped her husband's arm. When court had adjourned and Mr. Fulton came toward her, she rushed to him with outstretched hands.

"Thank you! Thank you!" she cried gratefully. "You did splendidly."

Court Accepts Amended Prayers.

Yesterday morning after court opened the Government and defence argued on the prayers they had submitted for the instruction of the jury. The arguments continued until 1:30 p. m., when Justice Anderson accepted them after some amendment had been made.

Mr. Taggart then started to address the jury.

Mr. Taggart's Address.

Mr. Taggart commented on the small quantity of blood found on Mrs. Bonine's wrapper compared to her statement of the blood gushing over her from Ayres' wound.

"It is one of two things," he said. "Either she did not have this wrapper on, or she was not in the position she claims. She tells you all the shooting was over before she fell, and that she was close against Ayres' breast. If that is so, how could she escape a perfect deluge of blood as it flowed from his nostrils and mouth? She couldn't have helped it.

"Now again, to the statement she made to Gardner; what was it she wanted to wash the blood from and destroy? In the story she told Detective Horne she said Ayres came to her door and demanded admittance. She refused because of the presence of her children. She did not say he was drunk.

"In the statement she made at Police Headquarters we get the best showing she can make after five days' consideration in which to exculpate herself. That story is the most remarkable that ever came from the mouth of woman. She asserted Ayres' death was due to his lustful attack on her while she was defending her honor, and that the pistol was discharged inadvertently in the struggle that followed.

"He then vomited blood from the awful hemorrhage in the lungs as he fell to the floor. He made convulsive efforts to get up, clinging to the window sill. But, alas, death was too near. He sank to rise no more, his head striking on the rocker. And, 'twas then he breathed his last. Poor, poor young man."

As Mr. Taggart uttered these last words, with sad regretfulness, silence brooded over the crowded chamber. At this point, Mrs. Bonine was the cynosure of all the eyes that could see her, but her countenance was curtained with composure, as it has ever been.

As his auditors relieved the tension of their feelings in settling themselves afresh in their chairs, Mr. Taggart directed the bitterest attack in the history of the trial against the character of Mrs. Bonine.

Not a Good Samaritan.

"There is one aspect of this case I should refer to right here, gentlemen," he observed. "You have the accused as the good Samaritan of the Kenmore, ministering to the sick and studying medicine so she could aid the helpless. If there ever was an occasion in her life when this disposition should have been shown, it was at the time I have just described. What did she do? She fled through the window in the dark cloak that night had wrapped around the world.

"What would have been the instincts of the good Samaritan and the physician? Why, to minister to this dying boy. An

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NAVAL OFFICER REBUKED.

Detached for Favoring Cuban Annexation in an Interview.

When Lieutenant Commander Lucien Young, captain of the port of Havana, was visiting Louisville, Ky., last month he talked with a newspaper man about political and other affairs in Cuba. The Secretary of the Navy yesterday sent a telegram to Lieutenant Young, who is in Havana, detaching him from duty there as a mark of the Navy Department's disapproval of the newspaper interview.

In the interview Mr. Young was made to say that the conditions were very bad in Cuba, and that the island should be annexed to the United States. In view of the assurance given by the War Department to Maso, one of the candidates for President of the proposed Cuban Republic, that American officials in the island would not take sides in the coming political contest, Mr. Young's comments caused some embarrassment to the Administration. The usual investigation was made to ascertain if the interview was authentic. Upon his arrival in this country Mr. Young will be admonished officially and then given other duty.

Mr. Young is a Kentuckian. He was the only officer who survived the wreck of the U. S. steamer Huron off Cape Hatteras. For his conduct on that occasion the Kentucky Legislature gave him a sword. In the war with Spain he commanded the gunboat Hist, which participated in the Santiago campaign, and in the last naval engagement of the war—the attack on Manzanillo.

THREE SHOT DEAD IN STREET FIGHT.

TEXAN SLAIN BY DYING VICTIM.

Man's Attempt to Resist Arrest Results in a Tragedy at Houston—Alleged Accomplice Held.

DALLAS, Tex., Dec. 11.—Three men were shot dead in a street fight in Houston, Tex., late this afternoon. Their names are:

Herman Youngst, policeman.
J. G. Janes, policeman.
Sibley Preacher, business man.

The policemen were attempting to arrest a friend of Preacher at Congress Avenue and San Jacinto Street. The man resisted and struggled with the officers.

Preacher rushed out of a building and opened fire with a double-barreled gun loaded with buckshot. Both officers fell, Youngst being killed instantly.

Dying Man's Good Aim.

Janes lifted himself, and, resting on his elbow, fired at Preacher, who fell dead. Janes sank back in the street and expired in a few minutes.

The police later arrested J. B. Brockman, a lawyer, charging him with being an accomplice to the killing of Youngst and Janes. Brockman is locked up in the Harris county jail.

MAJORITY RULE SUITS DEMOCRATS.

ONE EXCEPTION NOTED, HOWEVER

Senators of That Party in Caucus Approve Enlarged Committees, But Denounce a Substitution in Commerce Committee.

The Democratic members of the Senate held a caucus yesterday afternoon for the purpose of taking action upon the committee assignments set apart for the minority by the Republicans. The plan to increase the Republican membership of some of the committees by enlarging the committees met the approval of the Democratic caucus, it being recognized that the Republicans were entitled to greater representation by reason of increased majority.

A Protest to Be Made.

The proposition to put a Democrat off the Commerce Committee in order to make a place for a Republican, however, was roundly denounced, and a protest will be made to the Republican committee on committees against such action. One of the committees which will be increased by two members is the Committee on the Philippines.

Action on Party Measures.

The caucus considered the question of outlining a policy to be pursued toward legislation for the Philippines, the shipping bill, and other measures which will be taken up by the majority as party measures, but it was finally decided not to map out a course of action at this time. When the various measures are actually under consideration the caucus will decide upon each one in its turn.

PARADE OF POLICE TODAY.

With the Firemen They Are to Be Reviewed by the President.

President Roosevelt's review of the annual parade of the local police and fire departments this afternoon is looked forwarded to with great anticipation by those who are to pass before the Chief Magistrate, and a fine showing of the city's protective force is anticipated.

The parade is scheduled to start promptly at 3 o'clock from Pennsylvania Avenue and Twentieth Street, and will proceed past the White House, and along the Avenue to Third Street. About 175 guests, all of them public officials, have been invited to occupy the stand with the President.

Major Sylvester has ordered that the street space of the Avenue be cleared of all vehicles, pedestrians, and cars after 2:30 o'clock in order that the parade may not be obstructed in passing. Commissioner Ross will present the flag to the winning company.

International Rustic Fair.

The International Rustic Fair, given under the auspices of the Legion of Loyal Women, was again held at Masonic Temple, Ninth and F Streets northwest, last night.

The general arrangement of the fair was the same as upon the opening night, only the programme being changed. This consisted of a tableau, "Burns Parting from Highland Mary," followed by a Highland song by Miss Mary M. Byrne; the "Highland Fling," danced by Miss Marie Howe; a Turkish tableau, "The Favorite of the Harem," posed by the ladies of the Turkish booth; and a Grecian tableau, "Nedia," followed by Greek dancing.

PROBING THE DENNIS CASE.

Police Believe a Woman Did the Deed.

CLUE FROM INJURED WOMAN'S LIPS

Mutterings of Semi-Conscious Victim of K Street Assault Lead Detectives to Think One of Her Own Sex Committed Crime—Arrival of Judge Fleming.

Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, who was the victim of a murderous assault at her home, 1117 K Street northwest, last Monday night, still lies at the Garfield Memorial Hospital in an unconscious condition, and has not as yet made known the identity of her assailant beyond the fact that it was a woman. Reports from her bedside during the night showed that her condition was slightly improved. She had partaken of nourishment during the day, and her pulse was stronger. Last evening her attending physicians stated that if no unfavorable conditions developed during the next forty-eight hours, she would recover.

A Woman Under Suspicion.

The police detectives expect to fasten the crime on a woman who, they claim, has been directly under suspicion from the beginning. The clues obtained up to 4 o'clock this morning, however, have not warranted the arrest of the suspected person. Further than this the friends of Mrs. Dennis refuse to endorse the woman theory entertained by the police, although the injured woman herself, during one of her supposedly lucid moments yesterday, declared "It was a woman."

The police are of the opinion that before many hours have elapsed Mrs. Dennis will make a statement, in which she will name her assailant. This has been impossible up to the present time, as she has been unable to make a coherent statement, but it is believed that her mutterings, "It was a woman," may lead to the identity of the assailant.

Arrival of Judge Fleming.

Judge W. B. Fleming, of Louisville, Ky., who was chief of the law and contract division of the Supervising Architect's Office, of the Treasury Department, during President Cleveland's second administration, and who was a close personal friend of Mrs. Dennis, arrived in Washington at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and went immediately to the residence of some friends in the northwest section.

Major Sylvester and Captain Beardman held a private interview with Judge Fleming last night, which lasted over an hour. The theory that the crime was committed by the woman under suspicion by the police was broached to him, but he would not entertain it for a moment. He further had no information to give the police officials that would tend to unravel the mysterious affair.

Judge Fleming was seen later by representatives of The Times and expressed the wish that he could throw some light on the dark crime. He said that the news of the assault had shocked him beyond expression, as Mrs. Dennis was a very dear and most estimable friend.

Police in Possession of the House.

Assistant District Attorney Taggart, accompanied by Dr. Atkinson, Detectives Healan and Evans and Sergeant Sprinkle, was at the Dennis residence for several hours last evening and made a careful inspection of the room in which the assault occurred. The keys of the various rooms and dressers that had been held under police surveillance were then turned over to Mrs. Jane Dennis, the mother-in-law of the injured woman. Half an hour later, however, Detective Evans again demanded the keys, and an officer from the Second precinct station was detailed to duty at the house during the night.

During the interval that Mrs. Dennis, the mother-in-law, was in possession of the rooms, it is alleged, she removed a comfort from her daughter's bedroom into the parlor. This was returned to the room when the police again assumed custody of the injured woman's effects.

Mother-in-Law's Statement.

The mother-in-law was seen last evening, and stated that she had eaten but little food and had not been able to rest since the assault upon her daughter had been made. She declared that the affair was a most horrible one, and reiterated her statements that her daughter had not an enemy in the world. When asked if she had slept Tuesday night, she replied: "No, no. How could I, when she [presumably meaning her daughter] was before me throughout the night?"

The statement made by the injured woman that a woman had committed the assault upon her was made yesterday morning to William H. Johns, her nephew, who arrived in the city Tuesday night from Gettysburg, Pa.

When questioned by Johns as to the name of her assailant, she replied: "I'll give her name some time—in my note book." She at this juncture appeared to be too much exhausted to say anything further, and relapsed into unconsciousness.

Mrs. Dennis' statement was communicated to Captain Boardman, and he detailed several of his men to go to the residence and make diligent search for the note book referred to. No such book was found, however, and it is hoped that Mrs. Dennis will be in condition to make a further statement before many hours have elapsed.

Mrs. Merchant, an intimate friend of the injured woman, was asked to visit the hospital during the afternoon, in hope that she might be able to elicit some information from the injured woman concerning her assailant. Richard Cole, Mrs. Dennis' colored butler, also visited the hospital, but the condition of Mrs. Dennis was such that it was not deemed advisable to have her interviewed further, and the project was abandoned.

Detectives Still in the Dark.

Barring the woman theory, the police are as much in the dark, so far as positive clues to the assault are concerned, as they were in the beginning, so that the dastardly crime is as much of a mystery as ever.

At noon yesterday Detective Brown took to Police Headquarters a hatchet that was found in the room of the Dennis residence occupied by the mother-in-law of the injured woman. No bloodstains were visible to the naked eye on the hatchet. It was carefully examined later by Prof. Hird, who also pronounced it free from bloodstains.

Mrs. Dennis' Sister Talks.

Mrs. Kate Dunn, a sister of Mrs. Dennis, was seen last evening at her home, 112 B Street northwest. She was prostrated with grief over the unhappy fate of her sister, and said she could not say anything in addition to what had already been published. She said that she had four brothers and another sister in addition to Mrs. Dennis, but in addition to Mrs. Dennis and a brother, who resided at Gettysburg, Pa., she did not know the whereabouts of any of the other members of the family, as they had been scattered for years. The other sister, she stated, she had not seen or heard from in forty years.

Came From Gettysburg.

Mrs. Dennis and her sister, Mrs. Dunn, came to Washington from Gettysburg, Pa., about twenty-three years ago. Shortly afterward Mrs. Dennis established herself in the dressmaking business, in which profession she was an artist.

After her marriage to Walter Dennis, the actor, which occurred some six years after Mrs. Dennis came to Washington, she continued her dressmaking business under her maiden name, Ada Gilbert. Her husband objected to her using his name in connection with her business. Her married life was a short one, for her husband lived but five or six years.

Mrs. Dennis has been a widow for eleven years, during which period she has made her home with her mother-in-law, conducting her dressmaking business under the name of Ada Gilbert Dennis. She has been located at 1117 K Street for the past three years, and for seven years prior to that lived at 720 Thirteenth Street northwest.

As one of Washington's most fashionable modistes, Mrs. Dennis has been eminently successful, her clientele being drawn from the diplomatic, Congressional, and social circles. She was well liked by all her patrons, and among the curious crowds that have gone to the residence since the assault have been members of Washington's most exclusive social circles.

Said to Be Wealthy.

Since her husband's death Mrs. De[illegible] has accumulated considerable w[illegible] She is reputed to be worth about $[illegible] which includes real estate in Gett[illegible] Pa., and Washington, personal property, and a bank account.

In addition to supporting her mother-in-law, Mrs. Jane Dennis, the injured woman has for several years past contributed almost exclusively to the support of her sister, Mrs. Kate Dunn. She was also very liberal in works of charity.

Mrs. Dennis occupies room No. 8, on the second floor of the left wing of the Garfield Memorial Hospital. Dr. Davis, one of the house physicians, is in constant attendance at her bedside, as is Miss Gemmel, a nurse. Dr. Atkinson, her family physician, visits the hospital several times a day.

TELEPHONE OFFICE GOES TO BALTIMORE.

U. N. BETHELL SUCCEEDS WILSON.

Decision of the Directors of the Chesapeake and Potomac Company—Not to Erect New Building.

At a meeting of directors of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, held in this city Tuesday, it was determined to move the general offices from this city to Baltimore. All the general officers will have offices in Baltimore, and about 200 employes will go there from here.

No New Building.

The company's building on St. Paul Street, Baltimore, will also continue to be used as far as possible, and the switchboards will remain as they are. The company considered the proposition of building new quarters, but abandoned the idea on account of the great expense of tearing out the switchboards.

The meeting Tuesday was the first since the death of the president of the company, the late Judge Jeremiah M. Wilson. U. N. Bethell, of New York, was elected his successor. Bernard Carter, of Baltimore, who has for many years been the general counsel of the company, was elected a director.

Mr. Bethell spent yesterday in Baltimore making arrangements for the removal of the offices, and superintended in person many of the details of the preparations. He said that the new quarters would probably be occupied about the first of the year.

To Make Improvements.

Mr. Bethell is regarded as a particularly strong man for the presidency of the company. He is now the general manager of the New York Telephone Company and a director in several other companies in the East. He is planning extensive additions to its long distance service.

Connections will be made with the newly acquired properties of the Diamond State Telephone Company on the Eastern Shore, and other points now inaccessible will soon be brought into connection with the Chesapeake and Potomac lines.

WOULD LYNCH CUBAN LEADERS

Senor Cisneros Makes an Attack on Palma and Gomez.

HAVANA, Dec. 11.—Senor Cisneros has published a letter in a paper of Puerto Principe, making a strong attack on Senor Palma and General Gomez.

He calls Senor Palma the "assassin of our liberty," and says he cannot see why General Maceo did not hang General Gomez when the latter proposed surrender in 1878.

He advises General Gomez not to visit Puerto Principe, as he wishes to save him from what he only just escaped in 1878.

He implies that the people should lynch General Gomez and Senor Palma.

The "Royal Limited." Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Exclusively Pullman trains, buffet smoking car, parlor, observation, dining and cafe cars. Leaves Washington daily 3 p. m. No extra fare other than regular Pullman charge.

CLARA BARTON AGAIN ELECTED.

Made President of Red Cross by a Rising Vote.

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN BY-LAWS.

Board of Control Passes Out of Existence and a Board of Directors Has Management of the Society—Executive Committee Chosen.

By a rising vote Miss Clara Barton was re-elected, for a term of three years, President of the American National Red Cross Association at the regular annual meeting held yesterday afternoon in the parlors of the Arlington Hotel.

Miss Barton Accepts.

In accepting the office, Miss Barton said:

"Most of you are my friends and have been for years. You will be my friends so long as this life of mine shall last. I thank you heartily, and I will endeavor never to do anything that will in any way shake off the trust or the friendship you hold for me."

The other offices were filled as follows: Gen. John M. Wilson, First Vice President; Mrs. John A. Logan, Second Vice President; Hon. Lyman J. Gage, Treasurer; Samuel W. Briggs, Secretary, and Richard Olney, Counselor.

Important Change in By-Laws.

There has been considerable dissatisfaction for the past year over the limited by-laws which have been governing the society. This was remedied at yesterday's meeting. One of the most important changes in them was the dispensing with the board of control and placing the power it had with a board of directors. This board will have entire charge of the administration of the organization. It will have power to admit new members, to invite other organizations to become affiliated with the Red Cross, and shall have under its control the entire management of the society. The board shall consist of thirty members, and the officers.

Those selected to serve were as follows:

Membership of the Board.

For a term of three years—Mrs. W. B. Harrington, of California; John W. Noble, of Missouri; Dr. Julian B. Hubbell, of the District of Columbia; Mrs. Harriett [illegible] Kaufman, of South Carolina.

For a term of two years: Gen. W. H. Sears, of Kansas; Judge William R. Day, of Ohio; Elizabeth Kibby, of the District of Columbia; Walter P. Phillips, of Connecticut; P. V. DeGraw, of the District of Columbia; Mrs. Fannie B. Ward, of the District of Columbia; Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, of the District of Columbia; Col. W. H. Michael, of the District of Columbia, and Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, of the District of Columbia.

For a term of one year: Simon Wolf, of the District of Columbia; Gen. Joseph C. Breckinridge, United States Army; Mrs. Mero C. Tanner, of the District of Columbia; Hilary A. Herbert, of the District of Columbia; Thomas F. Walsh, of the District of Columbia; Col. Nicholas Linn, of Illinois; Gen. J. B. Vinet, of Louisiana; Col. Alexander N. Terrell, of Texas; Francis Atwater, of Connecticut, and Judge Joseph Sheldon, of Connecticut.

Executive Committee Chosen.

A meeting of the board of directors was held immediately after the meeting of the main body. An executive committee was chosen, consisting of the following members of the board of directors:

Miss Clara Barton, Miss Mabel Boardman, Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, Mrs. Sara A. Spencer, Col. W. H. Michael, Simon Wolf, B. H. Warner, Bessie Kibby, and Col. A. C. Kaufman. All matters of business were immediately referred to this committee.

The treasurer's report showed that there has been received during the past year for the Red Cross $5,310.28, and that there has been expended $3,690.87, leaving a balance in the treasury of $1,619.41.

Resolutions lamenting the assassination of William McKinley, and conveying the sympathy of the Red Cross to Mrs. McKinley, were unanimously adopted.

NO POLITICS IN SELECTION.

President's Explanation of Turning Down of Fairbanks' Map.

Political prophets who claimed to see in the appointment of Francis E. Baker, of Indiana, as judge of the Seventh Circuit Court, a slap at Senator Fairbanks, who was some time ago said to be violently opposed to Judge Baker, were met yesterday with the President's statement that he intended to keep the judiciary appointments at his disposal entirely free from political influences.

The President has made this declaration before, but in the rush of Senators and Representatives to endorse the various candidates for vacancies on the Federal bench, it seemed to have been forgotten.

It is Mr. Roosevelt's intention in making judiciary appointments to gain all possible information from various sources, by consultation with Senators and Representatives and others regarding the qualifications of candidates. His purposes then to estimate the abilities of the aspirants in his own mind, and to make the choice without reference to the wishes of any combination, clique, or individual. Senator Beveridge was victorious in his endorsement of Judge Baker, but the nomination of the latter was not unexpected. He had long been accounted a strong candidate, though it was currently reported, some time ago, that there had been developments which put him practically out of the race.

Ocean Steamship Movements.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Arrived: Southwark, Antwerp; Anchoria, Glasgow; Georgic, Liverpool. Arrived out: Menominee, from New York at London; Philadelphia, from New York at Southampton; Astoria, from New York at Glasgow; Majestic, from New York at Queenstown.

Norfolk & Washington Steamboat Co Delightful trips daily at 6:30 p. m. from foot 7th st. to Old Point Comfort, Norfolk, Virginia Beach, and Newport News. See ad. page 7.