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JEFFRIES AFTER JACK MUNROE

MINER CAN EARN $1,000 BY STAYING FOUR ROUNDS WITH THE BIG FELLOW

BUTTE MAN IS PICKED AS COMING CHAMPION

Sharkey Believes the New One Can Whip the Boilermaker — Chicago Fight Managers Want Him for Windy City Exhibitions — Altitude Excuse Is Smiled at by Wise Ones.

BUTTE, Mont., Dec. 23.—Clark Ball, manager of J. J. Jeffries today, today posted a forfeit of $1,000 which he will pay Jack Munroe, amateur champion heavyweight of the Pacific coast, if he can stay four rounds with Jeffries in a battle for a knockout.

Munroe secured the decision and $250 here last Saturday night by staying four rounds with the champion and is the hero of the hour.

The bout may be pulled off here this week.

Sharkey Knows Munroe.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—"Do I know Jack Munroe? Well, I should say I do, and he's just the kind of man to whip Champion Jeffries," said Tom Sharkey, referring to the bout between Munroe and Jeffries in Butte, Mont., last Saturday night.

"When I was out West training for some of my fights," continued Sharkey, "Munroe, who was then working in the mines, used to come over to my quarters and spar with me three or four times a week. He was a tartar. In some respects, barring, of course, his inexperience, he was the greatest fighter I ever went against, and I am not surprised that he won the bout from Jeffries and almost put the champion out. He is just the man to wrest the champion's laurels from him."

The victory of Jack Munroe over Jim Jeffries in Butte, Mont., Saturday night was the talk of the local fistic world today. Expressions of old-timers in that line of sport were not flattering to Jeffries. All expressed surprise, however, at the fact that a hitherto obscure fighter should accomplish the feat with such comparative ease.

George Siler said: "I won't say that Jeffries is a dead one; he simply met a better man, that's all. I am aware of the fact that a man is handicapped to some extent when he goes into as high an altitude as that in which Butte is situated. This may have been one of the reasons that worked against Jeffries, but I am not willing to accept an excuse until I know it is so. They have a way of getting up some excuse every time, you know. When a man is bested he is bested, at least, so far as I am concerned."

Chicago Wants Him.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Jack Munroe, the Montana miner who jumped into fistic prominence last Saturday night by staying four rounds with Champion Jim Jeffries, will in all probability be seen in this city. The reports of his go with the champion had hardly gone the rounds before several local hustling managers sprinted for the telegraph offices, offering him big inducements to exhibit his fistic abilities before Chicago fight followers. Sig. Hart, who controls a stable of fighters, said last night that Munroe and Jack Beauscholte were in Jack Moffat's training camp on the coast preparing Moffat for his fight with Al Neil and that Beauscholte wired Munroe to come to Chicago immediately.

Beauscholte says Munroe is a finely built fellow, strong as a bull, fairly clever, and has no bad habits. Jack believes he can induce the new fistic light to come here.

JAMES J. CORBETT IS NOT SURPRISED

Former Champion Declares He Knew Jeffries Could Be Knocked Down.

TOLEDO, Ohio, Dec. 23.—James J. Corbett, in discussing Jeffries and the chance of securing a fight with him, said:

"People somehow got it into their heads that Jeffries could not be knocked down, but I always maintained that he could, and Jeffries' encounter with a dub in Butte, Mont., last night shows that Jeffries can be floored or brought to his knees by a blow just the same as any other fighter. Here Jeffries has been parading up and down the country calling himself the world's champion, and yet he goes into the ring with a dub to get some easy money and gets knocked down just as easily as any other fighter.

"I don't blame Jeffries for trying to pick up some easy money, but I do find fault with him for running after dubs and getting floored by them, when I have stood ready for some months to arrange a fight with him. Jeffries must meet me sooner or later, and the sooner the better. I am ready to sign articles at an hour's notice to fight Jeffries. I want to meet him, am anxious to meet him, and am certain I can convince the public that I can defeat him.

"I will fight Jeffries any time after the 1st of May, when my contract expires with the Empire company. I will sign articles to fight Jeffries the latter part of May or 1st of June. I will agree to fight him anywhere he may name—North, South, East or West. I will do better. I will give Jeffries a chance to win the big end of the purse if he is so certain he can defeat me. I will agree that in case Jeffries signs articles to fight me, the winner take 75 per cent of the stakes, or I will agree to fight him on the basis that all the loser will receive is his training expenses.

"The claim that no man could knock Jeffries down has been completely exploded, and proved what I always maintained, that no man is so big or strong he cannot be knocked down with the right kind of a blow."

Indianapolis Defeats Racine.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—Indianapolis defeated Racine at polo tonight by a score of 10 to 6.

EVERYTHING READY FOR BIG BONSPIEL

Curlers of the Country to Gather in Sault Ste. Marie on Jan. 12.

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., Dec. 23.—Preparations for the tenth annual bonspiel of the Northwestern Curling association, which will be held in this city during the week commencing Jan. 12, are now practically complete, and forecast the greatest event of its kind ever held in the Northwest. With the completion of the mammoth rink and the additional facilities offered by the rink in the Canadian Soo it will be possible if necessary to put into commission eighteen rinks with 144 men in action simultaneously. Over 400 curlers will certainly be present, and the list of prizes is a long one.

The new rink which has just been completed is the largest of its kind in the world. Its dimensions are 280 by 152 feet, and there are available 42,560 square feet of ice. When devoted to curling ten sheets of ice can be utilized. The main portion of the rink houses a huge hockey rink, 100 feet long and 80 feet wide. Around this field lies the skating course, which will accommodate hundreds of skaters. In a separate section devoted exclusively to curling are four fine sheets of ice.

Above the skating course and looking down into the hockey field is a gallery with a seating capacity of 2,500 which may be increased if desired. At the side of the hockey field in an addition is located a spacious lunchroom, with a kitchen fully equipped. In the same section are located the ladies' and gentlemen's dressing rooms, the checkrooms and the ticket office. In the rear the boiler room is situated, where plenty of hot water may easily be secured to "pebble" the ice.

The bonspiel has been thrown open to the world, whether they are members of the association or not, and already acceptances have been received from New York, various Eastern Canadian cities, Chicago, Milwaukee, Winnipeg and other cities farther west. A big delegation will come from St. Paul and Minneapolis, as the railroads have been giving a return trip ticket to the bonspiel of $10. The local hotelkeepers have also reduced their rates to curlers, and everything possible has been done to make this meeting the greatest of its kind that the world has ever seen.

The American Soo will doubtless enter eight or ten teams, and the Canadian Soo will be represented by at least six teams.

HOCKEY PLAYERS WAIT FOR COLD WEATHER

St. Paul Club Making Raspberry Island Rink an Ideal Playground.

Members of the St. Paul Hockey club held a short meeting at the Clarendon hotel last night and a list of the men who will try to make the league team was drafted. Eighteen fast players signified their desire to play with the team in the match games, and from this eighteen will be selected the men for the regular team. Work in the practice games will be considered by the captain and manager in making the selections.

The St. Paul club will have one of the finest hockey rinks in the country when the league season opens. This club has secured the Raspberry Island rink and already a corps of carpenters is at work. The ice surface will measure 67 by 150 feet, and this surface will be fenced in with the regulation four-foot board fence required by the rules of the hockey game.

Warming rooms will surround the ice. These rooms will be elevated and the spectators will be protected from the cold and hockey pucks by a wire netting and storm windows. At the meeting last night the club voted to throw open the rink to the public two nights a week.

As the stairway leading from the Wabasha street bridge to Raspberry island has been condemned, the club is now arranging for a pathway from the West side end of the bridge.

This approach over the ice will be cleared and banked and will be well lighted by a number of arc lights. If the ice is in condition the first game of the Twin City Hockey league will be played on this rink the afternoon of New Year's day.

SHERIFF SERVES OFFICIAL NOTICE

Detroit Promoters Are Told That the Fight Cannot Go In Michigan.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 23.—Sheriff H. H. Dickson yesterday sent the following letter to Billy Considine and James Singelyn, who are at the Metropolitan Athletic club:

"The coming contest between Messrs. McGovern and Corbett will be beyond doubt a prize fight within the meaning of the law. Its real character will in no wise be changed by calling it a contest for scientific points, the men now being in training for a hard and severe fight. The public understands the nature of the contest, the details being fairly published in the newspapers. Under these circumstances, and in order that you may avoid any useless expense, I deem it my duty to inform you that I shall not allow the fight to take place publicly or privately in the county of Wayne. If it is attempted it will be my duty to arrest all participants."

SILENT FIVE TEAM UNDER THE BAN

Basket Ball Players Are Suspended by A. A. U. for Playing Professionals.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 23.—President Walter Liginger, of the A. A. U., has given notice to basket ball players in this part of the country that the Silent Five team of New York has been suspended by the association for playing a professional organization at Philadelphia. The Silent Five is booked to play games at Fond du Lac, Chicago, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Milwaukee and Canton, Ohio. Manager Cook, of the team, has been notified that all of the games will be canceled unless he gets a team made up of players in good standing. Liginger has also received word that the team broke a contract with Oshkosh and this must be adjusted before the suspension ban will be raised.

American Bowlers Win.

BOONE, Iowa, Dec. 23.—The contest between the American bowlers and the Boone team resulted in a victory for the Americans. Five games were played. A two-man contest of three games between Peterson and Voorhees, of the American bowlers, and two of the Boone players, resulted in a score of 1,077 for Boone to 933 for the Americans.

KEELER TO PLAY WITH BROOKLYN

LITTLE OUTFIELDER WILL REMAIN IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE

WILD BILL DONOVAN SIGNS WITH HANLON

Sam Strong Is Another Player Reported in the Field—Hedges to Insist That Mathewson and Bowerman Be Awarded to the St. Louis Browns.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Willie Keeler, who is claimed by Ban Johnson for his proposed New York American league team, has been signed by Manager Hanlon and will cover right field, as usual, for the Brooklyn team next season. Keeler's name appears on the list of players sent out by President Ebbets yesterday who will wear Brooklyn uniforms in 1903. All the men have signed contracts, and all are expected to accompany the team South on the training trip.

It will be remembered that Keeler promised Hanlon the first chance on his services, and the little right fielder wisely concluded that it would be better to remain in the National league than to tie himself up with a team which, for the present at least, exists only on paper.

"Wild Bill" Donovan, also claimed by the Johnson organization, has placed his autograph at the bottom of a Brooklyn contract. He and Keeler now are in California with the All-Nationals, who are playing exhibition games with the All-Americans. Reports from the Pacific slope say that Donovan has developed into a first-class second baseman. In the absence one day of the regular second baseman Donovan was called upon to play the bag, and he did so well that he has been kept there ever since.

Strang to Develop.

Sammy Strang, who played at third base for the New York team in 1901, and who jumped to the Chicago American league team this year, is among the players signed by Brooklyn. Under Manager Hanlon Strang should develop into a star third baseman. Other newcomers beside Strang are McCreedie, Householder and Gabriel, outfielders; Jordan and Broderick, infielders, and Schmidt and Jones, pitchers. McCreedie is said to lead the California league in batting. Gabriel also comes from the West, and was highly recommended by Pitcher Evans.

Those missing are "Duke" Farrell, the catcher, who may be signed later; Charley Irwin, who will not be wanted with Strang at third; Frank Kitson, who has gone over to the American league, and "Dock" Newton, who has been turned adrift. Hughey Ahearn, as he was known to the fans last season, will play under his right name of Hearne, and, with Lou Ritter, will do the bulk of the catching. Hanlon expects to add two more pitchers and another utility man to his string. Following are the players signed: Donovan, Garvin, Evans, Schmidt, Jones and McMakin, pitchers; Hearne, Ritter, McManus and Latimer, catchers; Doyle, first base; Flood, second base; Dahlen, shortstop; Strang, third base; Jordan and Broderick, utility infielders; Keeler, Sheckard, McCreedie, Householder and Gabriel, outfielders.

HEDGES PROMISES TROUBLE.

St. Louis Magnate Will Demand Services of Mathewson and Bowerman.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.—"I believe that the Browns will be strong enough to win the 1903 pennant in any company," says R. L. Hedges, the local magnate. "I know we will start the season better equipped than we were last spring, for Kahoe will steady our pitchers and add to their effectiveness. I will insist that Mathewson and Bowerman be awarded to our club and will base our claims to them on the contracts which they signed with me last summer. I have no fear of losing them whether the war ends or goes on, for I have the prior right to them. I have never seen a statement in print from Bowerman that he will not be with us and I will not give credence to alleged interviews with Mathewson on the subject. Neither will I pay attention to McGraw's claims, for it has been shown that he has deliberately deceived the public by assertions in regard to make-up of his 1903 team.

"McAleer has two new pitchers, one discovered by Mike Kahoe on the Pacific coast, and the other recommended by Frank Donahue. He informs me that he has plans for strengthening the team in all departments, but did not go into details. I have every confidence in him and am content to await developments. He will go to Baton Rouge after the holidays to arrange for grounds and hotel accommodations for the players during their training. If peace is declared, and I feel sure it will be, we will play exhibition games with National league clubs.

"A series will be arranged between the Browns and the Cardinals, and I expect to see large crowds at all the games, with an overflow on Sundays. There will also be a fall series between the local clubs, and if both finish well in their respective races, we will break all attendance figures for this city, and I believe that under normal conditions, it is the best ball town in the country.

"There is no deal on between the Robisons and myself for a merger of our interests. If there were, it would be sidetracked by the peace negotiations, for it would not be permitted if a twelve-club league were not agreed on. I am satisfied with conditions and will consider no individual proposition, if one were made to me, at this stage of the proceedings. I suppose that the Robisons have like views."

FREEDMAN BOBS UP AGAIN.

Instructs Brush to Insist That Delehanty Must Play With Giants.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Andrew Freedman has declared himself into baseball again. Under the instructions of the real owner of the New York club, John T. Brush, issued the statement declaring that Delehanty must play in New York. If the American league insists on Delehanty returning to Washington there will be no peace, as Freedman would shut up the polo grounds before yielding. All the indications point to a pretty fight when the peace committees meet.

O'LAUGHLIN WITH THE AMERICAN.

"Silk" Signs to Umpire in Johnson League for Next Three Years.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Umpire "Silk" O'Laughlin yesterday signed an American league contract for three years. The action was the result of a visit of Ban Johnson to this city last week. "Silk" was halting between two offers, when Johnson, in his usual way, visited Rochester quietly, and persuaded the local man to agree to make a long contract at a handsome figure.

Fine Cigars for Holidays.

Adam Fetsch, 127 E. 5th street. "Paul Morphy." Try them.

HORACE BUTTERWORTH SUCCEEDS HOLLISTER

New Man to Have Sole Charge of All Northwestern University Teams.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Horace Butterworth has been appointed director of physical culture and athletics at the Northwestern university taking the place of Dr. Hollister. Mr. Butterworth is a graduate of the University of Chicago and has been an instructor of gymnastics at the universbity since the opening in 1892. Latterly, in addition to giving instruction, he has been manager of athletics. He is to have sole charge of all the teams at the Northwestern university and will take his new position Jan. 1.

KID M'COY DID NOT TAKE $1,000 BILL

Broker Lamar Explains That He Is the Victim of Practical Jokers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Norman Selby, the pugilist, known as "Kid" McCoy, has been exonerated from the charge of stealing a $1,000 bill from David Lamar. In withdrawing the charge today Lamar explained to the police that he had been the victim of a practical joke perpetrated by some friends of his with whom he was drinking in Selby's saloon.

GRIMMS INCREASE THEIR LEAD.

Take Three Games in a Row From the Pickwick Team.

	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Grimms	21	3	.875
Parlors	16	8	.667
Hamms	10	14	.425
Crowns	9	15	.375
Drewry	8	16	.333
Pickwicks	8	16	.333

On the Grimm alleys last night the Grimm team of the East Side league, took three games in a row from the Pickwicks of the same league. Monday night the Drewry team forfeited three games to the Parlors at the Crown alleys and the Crowns forfeited three to the Hamms on he Grimm alleys. The scores last night:

Grimms—	First.	Second.	Third
Luck	134	177	132
Lohman	157	168	167
Baum	177	150	155
Foss	168	127	210
Altmann	157	166	187
Totals	793	788	851
Pickwicks—			
Seydler	181	156	157
A. Miller	148	123	145
Lange	132	142	191
H. Miller	158	143	130
Blom	160	171	173
Totals	779	735	796

NOT ANXIOUS TO TEST LAW.

Young Corbett Says It's All Off in Detroit on His End.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Dec. 23.—"It's all off as far as Detroit is concerned," said Young Corbett last night. "I see in the papers where Billy Considine says that they want Corbett and McGovern to box in Detroit to test the law on prize fighting. There will be no test so far as I am concerned. When the governor says there shall be no fight that's putting it plain enough for me. I'll let someone else test the law.

"I hardly know what to do now that we cannot meet at Detroit," continued Corbett. "I had about made up my mind to jump on the train for New York Monday to spend Christmas with my friends, but Harry Tuthill protested and I have decided to stay in the West for a while."

YALE TEAM ABANDONS TRIP.

Basket Ball Players Will Not Tour Through Western Pennsylvania.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 23.—The proposed Christmas trip of the Yale basket ball team to Western Pennsylvania has been given up on account of the cancellation of several games which were to have been played in and near Pittsburg. The Yale team will probably play a game with the Philadelphia team on Jan. 3.

WANTED FOR FIXING FOOT RACE.

Indiana Governor Asks Return of George Ryan and J. H. Ashmore.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 23.—The governor of Indiana has issued a requisition on the governor of Arkansas for George Ryan and J. H. Ashmore, indicted at Petersburg, Ind., on a charge of helping buneo Frank C. Lorey, the Klondike King," out of $63,000 in a fake foot race pulled off at Colorado Springs. Ashmore and Ryan are at Hot Springs, Ark., where they and four other conspirators were indicted.

St. Vrain Litigation Ends.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 23.—All baseball litigation over the noted St. Vrain-Evans-Babb squabble in the Southern league has been declared off. Attorney Caruthers is in receipt of a telegram from President Kavanaugh advising the suit pending against the Memphis association and Charley Frank be quashed. This concludes the agreement effected at Birmingham last week.

Three Winning Favorites.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 23.—Fading Light, Hayward Hunter and Flo Carline were the winning favorites. The stewards have recommended that entries of horses belonging to the firm of Hatfield and Ownby be refused for the remainder of the meeting and also that the suspension of Jockey Hicks be continued indefinitely. Weather fair; track fast.

Close Finishes at Ingleside.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 23.—The racing at Ingleside today was marked by close finishes and the defeat of favorites, only one first choice getting home in front. The weather was fine and the track good. Minder carried off the riding honors by landing three winners. On two occasions he beat Ransch a head when the latter boy was on a favorite.

Recalls George Eliot.

LONDON, Dec. 23.—The death is announced of Mrs. Lewes. She was the widow of George Henry Lewes, who in 1854 formed a union with George Eliot (Mary Ann Evans.)

PENROSE SETS NOT UP ON CLAYTON

Brings Forth Evidence in Support of Charges Against the Ambassador to Mexico.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 23.—Senator Penrose, of Pennsylvania, today forwarded to President Roosevelt some evidence bearing upon the charges made last winter against Ambassador Clayton, the representative of the United States in Mexico.

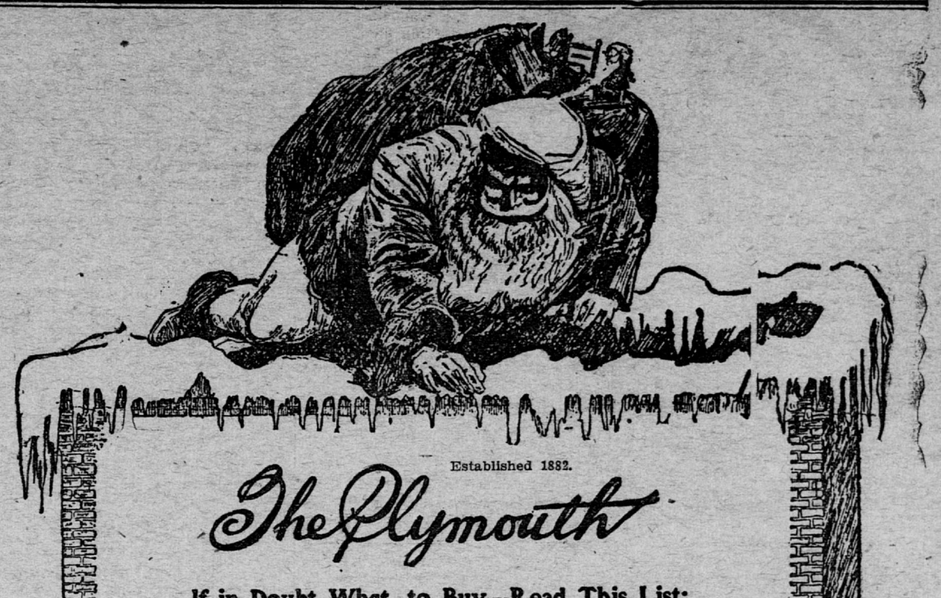
The new evidence is in the form of affidavits that Ambassador Clayton is the owner of shares in the Carman Mining company, a Philadelphia corporation, doing business in Mexico. The charges were received at the executive office and were transmitted to the state department. Whether the additional evidence will result in the reopening of the case is not known.

NO CABLE MESSAGES BY CHRISTMAS DAY

Silvertown Not Making as Rapid Progress as Before.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 23.—All hope that the cable ship Silvertown will arrive at Honolulu during Christmas day is dispelled by the following cablegram from on board the vessel:

"During the last twenty-four hours 197 knots of cable have been laid, making the total up to noon today 1,677 knots. The weather is partly clear. A strong southwesterly breeze has somewhat retarded progress. Latitude 96 north; longitude, 148.24 west."



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Starting About 25 Cents.

Neckties, 25c to $2.50.
Men's Hosiery, 25c to $4.00.
Men's Suspenders, 25c to $1.00.
Heavy Lined Gloves, 25c to $2.50.
Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c to $1.50.
Silk Wristers, 25c to $1.50.
Link Cuff Buttons, 25c to $2.50.
Men's Garters, 25c.
Men's Winter Caps, 25c to 50c.
All Styles Boys. Caps, 25c to 50c.
Boys' Lined Mittens, 25c to $1.00.
Boys' Fleece Underwear, 25c to 50c.
Boys' Neckwear, 25c to 50c.
Boys' Suspenders, 25c to 50c.
All Wool Toboggan Caps, 25c to 50c.
Wool Gloves, 25c to 50c.
Wool Mittens, 25c to 50c.
Worsted Stockings, 25c to $1.00.
Cotton Stockings, 25c to 75c.
Fancy Lisle Hose, 25c to $1.00.
Cashmere Hose, 25c to $1.00.
Golf Gloves, 25c to $1.00.
Plain Linen Handkerchiefs, 25c to 75c.

Starting About 50 Cents.

Kersey Caps, 50c to $1.00.
Men's Winter Golf Caps, 50c.
Balbriggan Underwear, 50c to $2.00.
Wool Fleeced, 50c to $1.50.
Fancy Suspenders, 50c to $3.50.
Oxford Mufflers, 50c to $2.50.
Handkerchief Mufflers, 50c to $8.00.
Boys Fine Brighton Caps, 50c.
Stocking Caps, 50c.
Boys' Mocha Mittens, 50c to $1.50.
Boys' Buckskin Gloves, 50c to $1.00.
Boys' Union Suits, 50c.
Boys' Colored Shirts, 50c to $1.00.
Boys' Knee Pants, 50c to $2.25.
Boys' Wool Waists, 50c to $1.50.

Starting About $1.

Combination Suits, $1.00 to $6.00.
Men's Mocha Mitts, $1.00 to $4.50.
Full Dress Protector, $1.00 to $3.50.
Fancy Shirts, $1.00 to $2.50.
Flannel Shirts, $1.00 to $3.00.
Umbrellas, $1.00 to $10.00.
Pajamas, $1.00 to $4.50.
House Slippers, $1.00 to $2.50.
Storm Overshoes, $1.00.
Shoe Trees, 65c to $1.50.
Soft Hats, $1.00 to $2.00.
Boys' Wool Sweaters, $1.00 to $2.00.
Boys' Corduroy Pants, $1.00 to $1.50.
Boys' Cloth Leggings, $1.00 to $2.50.
Natty Cloth Caps, $1.00 to $1.50.
House Slippers, $1.25 to $2.00.
Bath Slippers, 50c to $1.00.

Starting About $1.50.

Dress Gloves $1.50 to $2.50.
Silk Mufflers, $1.50.
Wool Lined Gloves, $1.50 to $3.00.
Full Dress Shirts, $1.50.

Starting About $2.

French Flannel Night Shirts, $2.00.
Fancy Vests, $2.00 to $7.50.
Stiff Hats, $2.00 to $3.00.
Popular Shape Soft Hats, $2.00.
Fur Caps, $2.00 to $4.00.
French Crush Hats, $2.00.
All-Wool Pants, $2.00.
Umbrellas, $2.00.
Silk Mufflers, $2.00.
Silk Mixed Union Suits, $2.50.
Glove Certificates, $1.50 to $10.00.
Street Shoes, $2.00 to $2.50.
Patent Leather Slippers, $1.75.

Starting About $3.

Suit Cases, $3.00.
Cowhide Club Bags, $3.00.
Imperial Stiff Hats, $3.00.
Electric Seal Caps, $3.00.
Stetson Soft Hats, $3.00.
Standish Soft Hats, $3.00.
Tuxedo Soft Hats, $4.00.
Men's Calf Blucher Shoes, $3.00.
Sealskin Slippers, $3.00 and $3.50.
Emperor Shoes, $3.50.
Hanan Slippers, $3.50.
Bath Robes, $3.50 to $20.00.
Best Fur Lined Mittens, $4.50.
Bath Robes, $3.75 to $15.00.
Dorothy Dodd Shoe, $3.00.
Patent Kid Slippers, $3.00.
Carriage Boots, $3.00 to $5.00.
Satin Slippers, $3.00 to $3.50.
Empress Shoe, $3.50.
Leather Dress Suit Cases, $3.50.

"Presents," I often say, "endear absence."—Charles Lamb.

Starting About $5.

Hanan's Calf Shoes, $5.00.
Full Dress Shoes, $5.00 to $7.00.
Ideal Calf Shoes, $6.00 to $7.00.
Strong and Garfield Shoes, $5.00.
Stylish and Garfield Shoes, $5.00.
Stylish Silk Hats, $5.00.
Knox Stiff and Soft Hats, $5.00.
Sealskin Caps, $8.00.
Knox Silk Hats, $8.00.
Full Dress Vests, $5.00 to $10.00.
Silk Night Shirts, $5.00 to $9.00.
Lounging Robes, $5.00 to $25.00.
Men's Paragon Trousers, $5.00 to $9.00.
Men's Heavy Reefers, $5.00.

The Plymouth, Corner Seventh and Robert.

NEW MINISTER FOR ITALY

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cided by the courts, the government would have paid the judgments. The objection to this view is that no account is taken of miscarriages of justice and of radical antipathies. But so determined are the South American countries to adhere to this doctrine that some of them have gone to extraordinary lengths in their resistance of diplomatic efforts of foreign governments to secure justice for subjects.

Some members of the cabinet are opposed to referring the matter to the Hague tribunal for these reasons:

They have no desire to submit the Monroe doctrine to the arbitrament of any non-American tribunal, not even the Hague. They very much prefer that if this doctrine is to be the subject of arbitration, if it is to be even brought in incidentally, that American influences shall pass on it. Not that the fairness of the Hague arbitrators is impeached, but as most of them represent European and monarchical interests, it is realized that their training may be regarded as unsympathetic where they are required to deal with so essentially American a subject as the Monroe doctrine.

Another reason that animates these cabinet officers is their conviction that an inordinate length of time would be consumed if the issue is taken before the Hague tribunal. The machinery is sufficient, but ponderous and difficult to put in motion. While all this is going on the blockade would continue with its ever present danger of active hostilities and bloodshed that might render nugatory all attempts at arbitration. On the other hand if the president undertakes the settlement he can get rid of all red tape and start the work of arbitration within a few days.

Strong pressure is being brought to bear upon the president to decline the invitations to act as arbitrators. This pressure comes from the newspapers, from public men throughout the country, and from senators and representatives in Washington.

STEAMER CARACAS ARRIVES.

She Is Allowed to Discharge Only a Part of Her Cargo.

CARACAS, Dec. 23.—The Red D liner Caracas safely entered the harbor of La Guaira at 8 a. m. The mail, freight and passengers were landed at 10. The captain of the British cruiser Tribune notified the commander of the Caracas that throughout her stay at La Guaira she must leave the harbor every night. This is regarded as vexatious and causes great expense to the owners.

Lieutenant Commander Diehl at 4 o'clock this afternoon endeavored to obtain from the commanders of the foreign warships at La Guaira an extension of a few hours in the time given the Caracas to remain at her dock in order that she might finish unloading. His request to this end was refused and he did not insist. The commanders of the blockading warships explained that they were acting in the orders of the British admiral and that the orders given to permit the Caracas to discharge more than the mail had been given to satisfy Commander Diehl. The Caracas consequently left her berth at La Guaira at 6 o'clock, when she had landed not more than two-thirds of her cargo. Tomorrow the steamer will cruise before La Guaira and take on passengers and mail, but on no account is she to enter the port.

Mr. Boulton, of Boulton & Co., has entered a protest with the American consul and the American minister here against the action taken with regard to the Caracas.

The Caracas will not be permitted to enter Puerto Cabello. She will be obliged to land the remainder of her cargo at Willemstad, Curacoa.

The allies have advised the consuls at La Guaira that steamers reaching La Guaira before Dec. 30 will be allowed to enter port and discharge their cargoes during the day, but they will not be allowed to take cargoes on board. This ruling has created general dissatisfaction here.

As there is no export duty on goods shipped from Venezuela, the ruling does not affect the government. Only the ship workers are affected. All the mail steamers reaching here after Dec. 30 will be boarder from the blockading squadron and neutral passengers and the mails will be sent ashore under a flag of truce. No exceptions to this ruling in the matter of nationality will be made. A schooner which attempted to enter port at half past nine o'clock tonight was captured.

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO THE POPE EXTENDED BY CARDINALS

Pontiff Speaks in Sorrow of the Divorce Bill.

ROME, Dec. 23.—There was a picturesque scene in the pope's private library at noon today, when all the cardinals living in Rome gathered there to present the pontiff with their Christmas greetings. All the visitors wore their gorgeous red robes.

Cardinal Santo Stefano, as doyen of the sacred college, read the congratulatory address. The pope in reply expressed keen sorrow at the fact that his jubilee year was embittered by painful events, referring evidently to the divorce bill. The pontiff remarked:

"What they want is the fall of Christian order and the reconstruction of the states on the basis of paganism."

The pope pleaded for a spread of Christian democracy "on the lines preached by the church, to oppose the seditious, socialistic democracy, which acknowledges no God."

QUITE A TRACTION VENTURE TO BE TRIED IN CHICAGO

Underground Railway Combined With a New Elevated.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—New York and Chicago capitalists are said to have joined forces to launch in Chicago one of the most colossal traction ventures the city has known. The scheme is for an underground railroad, combined with a new elevated road, the cost of the entire project to be from $51,000,000 to $55,000,000.

The plan comprehends the construction of a tunnel under the down town streets, making a complete loop of the business section, to connect with a new elevated road which it is proposed to construct parallel with the existing South side line, the latter to be reached by means of an incline. The scheme is designed largely to benefit the stock yards district. The Interborough Rapid Transit company, of New York, which built the big underground railroad in that city, is said to be at the head of the scheme, backed up by a few wealthy men.

EXTENSIVE SCHEME TO SMUGGLE TOBACCO FRUSTRATED

Thousand Bales Seized on a Steamer From Antwerp.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—On board the steamer St. George, which arrived from Antwerp Dec. 19, and which is still lying at Hoboken, customs office inspectors seized 1,000 bales of tobacco wrapper, valued at $2 per pound, which firemen of the steamer attempted to smuggle in a small boat. Some of the tobacco was found concealed in the coal bunkers. It is believed plans were laid to smuggle $30,000 worth of goods.

Rob and Batter Down a Jail.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Dec. 23.—A gang of safe robbers, which has been terrorizing Central Illinois for the past year, robbed the postoffice at Leroy last night of $1,000 in money, stamps and registered letters. Then proceeding to Baybrook, eight miles north, they demolished the jail, using a telephone pole as a battering ram. The gang then escaped, with a stolen horse and buggy.

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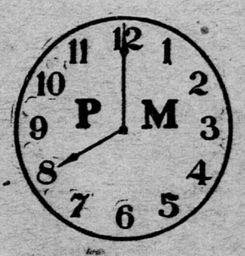

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