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ST. PAUL FARES WELL IN HOUSE AND SENATE

BABCOCK PUTS THREE ST. PAUL MEN AT HELM

Appropriations, Municipal Legislation and Printing, Three of the Most Important House Chairmanships Are Given Tighe, Chinnock and Lennon.

St. Paul men will preside over the house committee on appropriations, municipal legislation and printing, three of the most important committees of the house.

Ambrose Tighe gets the chair of the appropriations committee; Chinnock draws municipal legislation, and Walter Lemon will head the committee on printing. Speaker Babcock will probably announce his committee assignments today. They were expected last night, but the speaker still had a few changes in mind, and declined to give out more than the chairmen until today.

The selections made for chairman of thirty-nine of the fifty-four committees, however, indicates that Dr. Babcock is going to organize the house along practical lines, and that the fight for the speakership is, so far as he is concerned, forgotten. Personal fitness of the men and their geographical location is indicated in every selection given out. The chairmen announced are:

Three for St. Paul.

Appropriations, Tighe, Ramsey; judiciary, Stevenson, Hennepin; railroads, W. A. Nolan, Mower; public lands, Deming, Hennepin; education, Anderegg, Le Sueur; municipal legislation, Chinnock, Ramsey; military affairs, Bouck, Morrison; corporations other than municipal, Fryberger, Hennepin; state prison and reformatory, Soule, Washington; grain and warehouse, Hugo, St. Louis; hospitals for insane, Larson, Grant; state and normal schools, Graham, St. Louis; state training schools, Putnam, Goodhue; roads and bridges, Johnson, Hennepin; banks, Smith, Hennepin; printing, Lemon, Ramsey; elections, Cole, Cass; public buildings, Lewis, R. T., St. Louis, rules and joint rules, Wilson, Nobles; state library, Bennett, Polk; mines and minerals, Budd, Lake; engrossment, Nolan, W. I., Hennepin; legislative expenses, Jones, Otter Tail; soldiers' home, Randall, St. Louis; state public school, Morley, Steele; logs and lumber, Rider, Morrison; public parks, Hinds, Hubbard; taxes and tax laws, Wells, Wilkin; university and university lands, Gillette, Hennepin; geological and natural history survey, Bosworth, Houston; towns and counties, Hinton, Martin; game and fish laws, J. B. Kelly, Dakota; drainage, Krostue, Polk; general legislation, Burns, Fillmore; crimes and punishment, Ofsthun, Pope; census, Blueishment, Ofsthun Pope; Indian affairs, Mark, Mille Lacs.

Burys the Hatchet.

The assignment of committee chairmen made by Babcock bears no indication of a desire to punish the opponents of his speakership ambitions. Lawrence Johnson gets his old committee, roads and bridges; Gillette, a prominent Johnson man, who swung the club as hard as he could in the speakership fight, gets university and university lands, and Tom Ofsthun gets crimes and punishments again.

The selection of chairman for the important committees is especially happy. The three committee chairs given St. Paul go to new members, but are given to men who have demonstrated that they are cut out for leaders. Walter Lemon, who draws the committee on printing and its responsibilities, is the youngest member of the house, but he has been touted as a coming leader ever since his election, and the speaker has evidently taken the same view of the young man from the Second ward.

Renville Chinnock has taken a commanding position in the Ramsey delegation, and was a valued worker in the speakership contest. His committee is of especial is of especial importance to St. Paul and his appointment is a fine recognition of his abilities. The selection of Tighe to succeed the redoubtable Jacobson at the head of the appropriations committee speaks for itself.

The same care is indicated throughout the list, with Robert J. Wells at the head of the tax committee; L. C. Stevenson, judiciary; Bouck, military affairs; Rider, logs and lumber; Putnam, state training school; Jones, legislative expense, Burns, general legislation; Wilson, rules; Randall, soldiers' home; Budd, mines and minerals; all men especially fitted for the consideration of special legislation.

JONES TAKES GOOD CARE OF RAMSEY SENATORS

Dunn, Horton and McGill Draw Chairmanships of Important Committees—Lieutenant-Governor Waits an Hour for Quorum to Hear Announcement.

After waiting one hour for senators delayed by late trains, the senate was called to order last night at 9 o'clock. The senators listened to Lieut. Gov. Jones' announcement of the standing committees and adjourned to meet at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

In the distribution of chairmanships the Ramsey county delegation is not overlooked. Every Republican senator of the delegation is recognized. Senator W. W. Dunn is placed at the head of the committee on elections, Senator McGill is named as chairman of the public accounts and expenditures committee, and Senator Horton will head the committee on public buildings. In naming Senator Dunn as the chairman of the committee on elections the lieutenant governor pays a neat compliment to the author of the primary election law.

Senator E. E. Smith, of Hennepin, is named as the chairman of the committee on taxes and tax laws; Senator Brower, of Stearns, is chairman of the finance committee; Senator Calhoun, of Hennepin, of the committee on municipal corporations; Senator Hawkins, of St. Louis, railroads; Senator Laybourn, of St. Louis, insurance, and Senator Somerville, of Brown, judiciary.

The failure of a number of the senators to arrive delayed the session for one hour.

The first roll call at 8 o'clock failed to discover a quorum, and, although a number of the senators suggested an adjournment, President Jones insisted upon a quorum, and instructed the sergeant-at-arms to round up enough absentees. Senators McNamee and Wood arrived a few minutes after 9 o'clock and the senate was called to order.

Gov. Van Sant reported a list of his appointments for confirmation, but, owing to the absence of a number of the senators, confirmation of the list was postponed to this morning. The standing committees, as named by Lieut. Gov. Jones, follow. The first senator named on each committee is recognized as the chairman:

Standing Committees.

Agriculture—Swedback, Wood, Peterson, Naeseth, Darth, Dale, Cooke, Benson, Torson.

Banks and Banking—Shell, Everett, Benson, Buck, Smith, W. A., Stephens, Stone, Thorpe, Ward, Ferris, Harrington.

Claims—Peterson, Fitzpatrick, Coller, Schutz, Comstock, Eberhart, Hardy, Peachey, Laybourn.

Corporations—Thompson, Somerville, Schaller, Fitzpatrick, Morgan, Johnson, Gjertsen, Dunn, Rieke.

Census—Harrington, Shell, Campbell, McNamee, Dale, Hardy, Batz, Swedback, Torson.

Deaf, Dumb and Blind—Buck, Jepson, Barker, Horton, Everett, Cooke, Dale, Dart, Nichols.

Drainage—Stephens, Brower, Thorpe, Cole, DuToit, Mausten, Peterson, Swedback, Wood.

Education—Ward, Jepson, Barker, Cole, Cowan, Schaller, Dale, Torson, Witherstine.

Elections—Dunn, Alley, DuToit, Eberhart, Laybourn, Comstock, Peachey, Pugh, Rieke.

Engrossment—Collister, Barker, Coller, McGowan, Cowan, Peterson, Smith, W. A. Stone, Wood.

Enrollment—Campbell, Hawkins, Jepson, McNamee, Benson, Nichols, Thorpe, Ward, Witherstine.

Federal Relations—Wood, Brower, Everette, Durant, Eberhart, Hardy, Campbell, Schutz, McGowan.

Finance—Brower, McGill, Barker, Lord, Thompson, Fitzpatrick, Cooke, Johnson, Dunn, Wilson, Comstock, Alley, Ward, Wood, Campbell, Laybourn, Peterson.

Forestry and Fire Protection—Cowan, Cooke, Durant, Laybourn, McGill, Morgan, Pugh, Schaller, Peachey.

Game and Game Laws—Morgan, Smith, E. E., Hawkins, Dunn, Ferris, Johnson, Mausten, Putnam, Schain.

Geographical and Natural History Survey—Laugen, Brower, Smith, E. E., Smith, W. A., Thorpe, Witherstine, Calhoun, Hardy, Shell.

Grain and Warehouse—Thorpe, Wilson, Dart, DuToit, Benson, Campbell, Laugen, Nichols, Peachey, Pugh, Putnam, Stone, Sundberg.

Hospitals for Insane—Johnson, Barker, Schaller, Benson, Cole, Cowan, Hardy, Schutz, Witherstine.

Immigration—Dale, Thompson, DuToit, Batz, McNamee, Alley, Mausten, Naeseth, Thorpe.

Indian Affairs—Mausten, McNamee, Batz, Durant, Everett, Thorpe, Peachey, Sohain, Witheratine.

Illuminating Oils—Benson, Somerville, Lord, Everett, Dart, Calhoun, McGowan, Smith W. A., Witherstine.

Insurance—Laybourn, Smith E. E. Shell, Schaller, Horton, Benson, Calhoun, Campbell, Dart, Laugen, Nichols.

Internal Improvements — Rieke, Batz, Coller, Dart, Hardy, Mausten, Schultz, Swedback, Torson.

Judiciary—Somerville, Wilson, Thompson, Smith E. E., Lord, Horton, Schaller, Coller, Morgan, Collester, Eberhart, Putnam, Dunn, Gjertsen, Alley, Wood, Rieke, Barker, Peterson.

Labor—Alley, Jepson, DuToit, Schaller, Calhoun, Durant, Coller, Harrington, Torson.

Legislative Expenses—Schutz, McNamee, Batz, Campbell, Cowan, Wilson, Johnson, Laugen, Wood.

Library—Schain, Barker, Jepson, Benson, Stone, Dale, Morgan, Naeseth, Putnam.

Logs and Lumber—Wilson, Laybourn, Durant, Ferris, Comstock, Cowan, Stephens, Mausten, Swedback.

Municipal Corporations—Calhoun, McGill, Fitzpatrick, Dunn, McGowan, Gjertsen, Pugh, Putnam, Laybourn, Morgan, Nichols.

Manufactures—Stone, McGowan, Morgan, Buck, Fitzpatrick, Hardy, Johnson, Harrington, Thompson.

Military Affairs — Eberhart, Gjertsen, Campbell, Cole, Cooke, Hardy, Nichols, Pugh, Stephens.

Mines and Minerals—Pugh, Somerville, McNamee, Campbell, Ferris, Laybourn, Putnam, Schutz, Ward.

Normal Schools—Barker, Brower, Fitzpatrick, Johnson, Eberhart, Peterson, Alley, Sudberg, Pugh.

Printing—Jepson, Lord, Cole, Collester, Eberhart, McNamee, Naeseth, Schain, Schutz.

Public Accounts and Expenditures — McGill, Buck, Calhoun, Cooke, Harrington, Horton, Laugen, Nichols, Peachey, Smith W. A., Ward.

Public Buildings — Horton, Brower, Hawkins, Lord, Thompson, Buck, Comstock, DuToit, Rieke.

Public Health, Dairy and Food—Torson, Jepson, Horton, Fitzpatrick, Morgan, Dutton, Naeseth, Sundberg, Witherstine.

Public Lands—Ferris, Wilson, Hawkins, Peachey, Dale, Laugen, Sundberg, Swedback, Thorpe.

Public Parks—Cowan, Shell, Alley, Bar-

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STOCKMEN GATHERING FAST AT KANSAS CITY

Enumeration of Bills That Congress Will Be Urged to Pass.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 12.—What promises to be the greatest gathering of stockmen ever held in this country will be on here tomorrow morning, when President John W. Springer calls to order the sixth annual convention of the National Live Stock association. All day today and far into the night delegates and visitors poured into the city. Among the first who arrived were Frank M. Stewart, secretary of the South Dakota Wool Growers' association; Peter Jansen, of Nebraska, and J. W. Martin, of Wisconsin.

President Springer denied that he was a candidate for United States senator from Colorado, as reported from Denver.

In the four days of the convention, business of importance to the live stock industry will be considered. It is expected that steps to induce congress to pass measures which the association caused to be introduced will be taken. Among them the measures are the Grosvenor "anti-shoddy bill," a bill providing for a classified census of live stock and agricultural statistics, a resolution amending the shipping laws by extending the limit for unloading stock from twenty-eight to forty hours, a resolution providing for the improvement of the breeding of horses for general purpose use, and the amendment of the Elkins bill, to amend the interstate commerce act so as to give the commission power to enforce its orders and decrees.

It is generally conceded that President Springer and Secretary Martin will be reelected.

REMOVING COAL DUTY FOR POLITICAL BUNCOMBE

Administration Decides That Tariff Must Come Off, but a Minnesota Congressman Says This Won't Help the People Very Much.

From Globe Washington Bureau.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—For political buncombe the administration has resolved to legislate the duty off anthracite coal. At a meeting between Senator Aldrich, President Roosevelt and Speaker Henderson at the White house it was resolved that something must be done to take the wind out of the sails of the Vest resolution for free coal. Aldrich argued against anything that would be the beginning of tariff revision, and it was finally agreed that a drawback would avoid this. This will be a bill to refund all the duties collected on coal imported from foreign countries. The ostensible purpose is to relieve the coal famine.

Whether this will be the result is doubted by the members of the Minnesota delegation. One of them said tonight.

"What will this bill accomplish? At best it will take off say 60 cents a ton from coal. On most grades of coal it will be about 37 cents. With coal selling all the way from $12 to $15, what difference will this make? If foreign coal were coming at this time it would be here now. It is not a difference of 60 cents a ton which will relieve the present coal famine. If coal had been on the free list long ago the result might have been different. There might then have been no coal trust to corner the supply and no combination of railroads to conspire to keep up prices."

PROBING BEGINS IN CHICAGO.

One Man Wanted for Witness Ignores Subpoena.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12. — The special grand jury investigating the coal famine continued today to hear evidence. Twenty-five coal men, some the heads of wholesale firms and others chiefs in the councils of corporations operating mines, presented themselves in answer to summonses to tell what they may konw of the "ring."

It is the intention of the grand jury that none but coal men shall be examined, and under State's Attorney Deneen's direction they are being asked to explain just what are the aims and objects of the Illinois Coal Operators' association and why coal cars stored on railroad tracks just outside the city limits are not being ordered into the city and marketed. It is said that the investigators have discovered trains of coal cars sidetracked and placarded with instructions to freight crews to held the consignments indefinitely, and that hundreds of tons of coal have been taken from the cars and heaped up along the tracks. Attorney General Hamlin declared that the investigation would not be confined to Chicago, but would reach out so to take up the conditions throughout the state.

S. M. Dalzell, of the Spring Valley Coal company, was the first witness called. He was followed by E. T. Brent, secretary-treasurer of the Illinois Coal Operators' association; C. W. Gilmore, of the Crescent Coal and Mining company, and George H. Holt, of the Building Managers' association. Evidence is said to have been secured tending to prove that the operations of the alleged conspiring dealers are planned in secret quarters in a downtown office building, and that daily conferences were held until the present investigation began. The manager of the building is said to be a prospective witness, who, it is believed, will give the jurors information of great value. The investigation today was directed at the workings of the Northern Illinois Soft Coal Dealers' assiciation, the Illinois Coal Operators' association and the Indiana Coal Operators' association.

A subpoenae duces tecum was issued late this afternoon for W. F. Bogle, president, W. S. Gilmore, vice president, and Norman B. Birkland, secretary-treasurer, of the Crescent Coal and Mining company, demanding that they produce the contracts and agreement entered into by the company with the following mining companies: The Bruileet Creek Coal company, by Hugh Shirkle, president; the Wabash Valley Coal and Mining company, the Coal Bluff Mining company, the Glen Oak Coal and Mining company and the Oak Hill Coal and Mining company.

Hugh Shirkle, of Terre Haute, Ind., president of the Bruilett Creek Coal company, was served with a forthwith subpoena this afternoon while on a train returning to his home, but refused to recognize the authority of the Cook county officials and declined to return to Chicago and appear before the grand jury as a witness. It is said Mr. Shirkle was out of the jurisdiction of the court before the subpoena had been issued. The jurors were of the opinion that Mr. Shirkle had some knowledge of the alleged coal combine.

Two degrees below zero was the official temperature for Chicago and vicinity today, accompanied by a brisk southwest wind. Much suffering among the poor, who have with difficulty endured the moderate weather since the coal famine became acute, has been reported, and about a dozen deaths have been caused by the cold. The mayor has taken steps to provide a fund for the relief of the suffering among the destitute. W. H. Wahl killed himself with laudanum because unable to secure food and fuel for his family.

The city council tonight took a hand in the solution of the coal problem. An ordinance was passed making the forestalling of fuel supplies a misdemeanor, punishable with a fine of $200 for each offense. As an emergency matter the measure was rushed through under suspension of the rules. After ten days it goes into effect.

COAL FROM NOVA SCOTIA.

Another Canvass of the Probabilities in Congress.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—It is expected that congress will pass a bill removing the duty of 67 cents a ton on coal imported into this country. This bill may take the form of a rebate, or drawback, for ninety days, and also will provide for reciprocity, adding free of duty coal imported into the United

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DAY'S NEWS SUMMARIZED

Weather for St. Paul and Vicinity—Partly cloudy and warmer today; partly cloudy Wednesday.

RAILROADS—

Northern Securities and Rock Island, it is reported, will absorb Erie, and thus obtain Atlantic coast outlet.

Rock Island engineers are granted a 10 per cent increase.

LEGISLATIVE—

Lieut. Gov. Jones announces senate committee assignments.

St. Paul men draw important house committee chairmanships.

Representative Minette would make members' term of office four years.

DOMESTIC—

Secretary Moody is injured in runaway at Annapolis.

Woman teacher in Georgia business college kills professor in same institution.

Mrs. Tingley wins her libel suit against Los Angeles Times.

President Mitchell, of mine workers, issues circular to miners, urging them to do all they can toward increasing output of coal.

WASHINGTON—

Senate judiciary committee appoints subcommittee to consider anti-trust bills.

United States, Holland and Germany may build a Pacific cable line.

Situation in senate over statehood bills is peculiar.

Senate subcommittee that visited Hawaii found almost everything wrong there.

Congress will pass bill removing duty from anthracite coal.

LOCAL—

Negro condemned to death pleads for clemency in a remarkabl poem.

Annual session of the agricultural society will commence this morning.

Father Conway, at St. Luke's church, answers questions regarding the infallibility of the pope.

County commissioners hald another lively meeting at which Commissioners Nash and Seng criticise the methods pursued with reference to the new county jail.

Indignant taxpayers protest to county assessor against the increase of their taxes.

Assembly committee on streets indorses measure compelling hourly service of street cars after midnight.

John Anderson is remanded to jail without bail to await result of injuries he inflicted on Frank Russo, who may die.

State Expert Printer Capt. C. C. Whitney resigns his office, and will be succeeded by Ex-Speaker A. N. Dare on May 1.

FOREIGN—

Morgan trust is projected to include practically all Europe - South American steamship lines.

Russian torpedo boats pass the Dardanelles.

List of reforms proposed for Macedonia is published. Revolutionary chiefs decide to begin insurrection April 1.

BUSINESS—

Grain trade continues dull. Wheat and corn close lower, while an advance is made by oats.

All animation departs from stock market, and close is at lowest figures of day.

MINNEAPOLIS—

H. L. Eastman returns after an absence of ten days, and says he was slugged and robbed.

Judge Brooks denies Frederick W. Ames a new trial.

SPORTING—

Fighter Jack Munroe, of Butte, passes through St. Paul on way to Chicago and New oYrk.

University board of athletic control holds up the contract being prepared for Coach Williams.

George Spear, of Minneapolis, wins first game of $1,000 billiard match in Kansas City.

Hanlon, of Brooklyn, joins John T. Brush in denouncing baseball peace treaty.

SAYS ORE SAMPLES WERE "SALTED"

Shrinkage of $5,000,000 Alleged in a Mining Suit.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 12.—The Stratton Independence company (limited) today filed in the United States court a suit for $6,000,000 against the executors and trustees of the Stratton estate and also against I. Harry Stratton, heir-at-law.

The complaint alleges that at the time the mine was sampled preparatory to concluding the sale, which had been negotiated through the Venture corporation, of London, the samples were "salted" so that the amount of ore, according to those samples, was valued at $7,000,000, when in reality the ore in sight was worth only $2,000,000 or less. It is alleged that the sacks of samples were opened and sprinkled with rich ground up silvanite.

The Venture corporation will also bring a similar suit declaring that its expert, C. A. Ruckard, was deceived by the salted ore and the individual stockholders will bring actions for the return of their money, alleging that they were induced to purchase stock at $5, $10 and $15, which in reality was not worth such prices.

CAPT. C. C. WHITNEY RESIGNS HIS OFFICE

State Expert Printer Disproves Old Saw—A. N. Dare Will Succeed Him.

The old saying that few officeholders die and none resign was shattered some yesterday.

Capt. Charles C. Whitney, state expert printer, yesterday tendered his resignation to the state printing committee. The committee, which consists of Secretary of State Hanson, Treasurer Block and Auditor Iverson, endeavored to persuade Capt. Whitney to serve another term, but without success.

The best Capt. Whitney would do was to promise to remain in office until May 1. Capt. Whitney has held the office for three terms, being first elected in 1895, and giving excellent satisfaction. He will retire from politics and devote himself to private business.

A. N. Dare, of Elk River, was selected by the committee as seuccessor to Capt. Whitney. Mr. Dare is a practical printer, and since 1875 has conducted the Elk River Star-News. He has served three terms in the lower branch of the legislature, and in the session of 1899 was speaker of the house. Mr. Dare will enter upon his new duties May 1.

The salary of the state expert printer is $2,100 per year.

QUEER TANGLE OVER STATEHOOD BILLS IN SENATE

Threatened Boycott of Those Who Oppose It—Disposition Manifested to Play Omnibus Statehood and Eight-Hour Bills Off Against Each Other.

From Globe Washington Bureau.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—The statehood fight seems to have developed into one of those cases of which the senate annals are full, where there is a material difference between the number of members who would actually vote for a certain policy on roll call and the number who desire a chance to do so. Enough senators to hold the balance of power in this contest in their present state of feeling hope to be relieved in this session from having to vote against the omnibus bill.

Nearly every Eastern Republican is receiving letters and communications which make it highly embarrassing for him to vote against the statehood bill. Former residents of senators' own states have gone into Arizona and New Mexico to settle, and they are now bringing pressure to bear on their relatives and neighbors at home. In many instances they have invested money in various enterprises for these people "back in the East," who are assured that their returns would be improved by statehood. Senators from the most conservative of Eastern states are receiving more such letters urging them to vote for statehood than from that part of the general public which rather vaguely believes it would be a mistake to push the center of political power in the senate so far to the Southwest.

Boycott Threatened.

There is, besides, a sort of a boycott on the part of the people of the territories threatened against those who do not help in this fight. Senators who look forward to party honors of various sorts, to say nothing of the influence in the senate of the future, regard the entry of the territories of the Southwest into the Union as bound to come to pass sooner or later, and so hesitate to go on to a sort of Arizona and New Mexico blacklist for the rest of their days. It is a good subject to avoid voting on.

If the statehood proposal were forced to a square vote today it would come perilously near acceptance. The number of senators who might, because of the influences already suggested in outline, be forced to vote for omnibus statehood, but at heart prefer not to face the question, will save the day, if it is saved. The omnibus proposal will have the solid Democratic vote, so far as now known, and such Republican senators as Quay, Penrose, Foraker, Mason, Gallinger, Elkins, Perkins, Stewart, Jones, of Nevada, and several other Republicans from the states west of the Missouri, besides the possibility of some surprises among the Republicans of the East. This is one of the measures upon which senators do not like to disclose their purposes in advance of its becoming necessary to do so.

Used As a Club.

The plan of the opponents of the omnibus bill seems to be to use it as a club against other measures which they do not want to have passed. It will do this while it has the right of way in the senate, and is only temporarily displaced by majority vote for appropriation bills and the few things which the real leaders think must be passed. Such a pending measure is often very useful, provided it can be kept alive indefinitely. The eight hour law, which the labor unions apparently want, even in its greatly modified form, is in some sense a complementary measure to the statehood bill. Senators who dislike the eight hour bill the more of the two speak with satisfaction of having the statehood bill to keep it out of the way, while those whose preference is in the opposite direction look forward to the eight hour law as likely to be useful in getting a majority vote for displacing the statehood bill.

RATIFICATION OF CUBAN TREATY FAVORED BY BABCOCK

He Says We Need It More Than the Cubans Do.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—Representative Babcock, of Wisconsin, today conferred with the president on the Cuban reciprocity treaty. Mr. Babcock said he favored ratification.

"The commercial and financial condition of Cuba," said Mr. Babcock, "is much better than it was a year ago. The people are happy, contented, and reasonably prosperous. They have benefited materially from the advance in the price of sugar. I told the president that I was inclined to the belief that the United States now needed the Cuban treaty even more than the people of Cuba. The United States wants the trade of the island republic, and the only way to get it is through the ratification of the treaty."

CITIZENS OF ILLINOIS TOWN CONFISCATE TRAIN OF COAL

It Is Paid for and Board of Health Says Raid Is Necessary.

TUSCOLA, Ill., Jan. 12.—About 200 citizens of Tuscola confiscated ten carloads of coal at the Illinois Central yards today and it was distributed among the sufferers who are out of fuel.

There is not a pound of coal in any of the coal yards, and when the people saw the loaded cars sidetracked here it was determined to relieve the situation here to some extent. Mayor Roberts threw no obstacles in the way and the board of health passed a resolution stating it was necessary for the preservation of the public health. Business men, bankers and prominent citizens joined in the raid, but the coal seized was paid for, a committee being appointed to collect the money and hold it for the railroad company.

NEW YORK'S NEW FIRE CHIEF.

Charles D. Purroy Now at the Head of Gotham's Fire Department.

While Fire Chief Croker is relegated to temporary desuetude by order of Fire Commissioner Sturgis, his deputy, Charles D. Purroy, takes his place. In the short time in which Purroy has been in charge of the fire-fighting force several disastrous fires have occurred, involving both loss of life and property. It is believed that the courts will restore Croker to his position.

SECRETARY MOODY HURT IN RUNAWAY

Badly Bruised by Jumping From Carriage—Strange Coincidence.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., Jan. 12.—Secretary Moody was driving from the station here today in a carriage containing, besides himself, Senator Hale, Supt. Brownson and Lieut. John M. Poier, the superintendent's secretary. As they entered the academy gates the marines presented arms and a bugler blew a blast, which was too much for the nervous horses. One of them jumped to one side, slipped, fell and broke the pole. In an instant the horses were off and beyond control. The team was headed directly for the river, and seeing the danger of drowning, Secretary Moody leaped from the carriage and fell heavily upon his face.

The driver at that moment managed to throw the horses toward the officer's quarters and halted the team without injury to the remaining passengers. It was discovered that the secretary was bruised, his nose was scarred and he was considerably shaken up. It is stated positively that he was not seriously injured. He refused to allow himself to be carried into the commandant's house and insisted on walking to a bedroom, where he was put to bed. Secretary Moody insisted on coming down to attend the reception which had been arranged in his honor, but the doctors forbade this, holding out, however, the promise that he will be all right tomorrow.

It is a curious coincidence that the horses attached to the secretary's own departmental carriage in Washington, immediately after he had left it to take the train for the academy, became startled and one of the horses jumped, slipped and broke the carriage tongue, so that only skillful management prevented a runaway.

FATAL QUARREL BETWEEN TEACHERS

Georgia Professor Shot and Killed by a Woman.

MACON, Ga., Jan. 12.—E. A. Rigsby, a professor in a business college, was shot and instantly killed today by Mrs. Effie Carson, teacher of telegraphy in another college. The tragedy occurred in the law office of M. C. Bayne, where, it is said, Mr. Rigsby and Mrs. Carson had met to adjust differences.

After the shooting Mrs. Carson walked calmly from the room, saying: "I have killed him; take me to the sheriff."

Both parties were well known.

NORTHERN SECURITIES AND ROCK ISLAND TO GET ERIE

This Statement Comes From Conservative Quarters in Wall Street—The Rock Island and the Hill Roads Will Thus Secure a Direct Atlantic Coast Outlet.

Special to The Globe.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—It was stated in Wall street today in conservative quarters that control of the Erie would pass to the Northern Securities company and the Rock Island would operate it jointly. It was said that one of the roads of the Northern Securities company might act for the company, but that it was probable that the company would act for itself. It was believed in conservative quarters that this would be the ultimate disposition of the Erie.

Furthermore, it was said that while the Rock Island and the Northern Securities company would take over for their joint account the traffic would be divided up according to destination. All Southwestern traffic would go to the Rock Island and Northwestern traffic to the Northern Securities roads.

Atlantic Coast Outlet.

Primarily the effect of the deal would be to give both the Rock Island and the Northern Securities roads a direct Atlantic coast outlet and its effect cannot well be overestimated. It is recalled that an interest identified with the Rock Island said a short time ago that the Rock Island will not rest until it "puts its nose in salt water." This would undoubtedly be the most effective way of accomplishing its purpose. That an important announcement is pending in Rock Island is known, and further, it is asserted that it will be made within a week. Many assert that the joint acquisition of the Erie by that company and the Northern Securities will be the burden of the announcement.

Outlet for Four Roads.

It has been known for some time that the Northern Securities company, or rather James J. Hill, has been very desirous of acquiring a direct Eastern outlet. The Eastern terminal of the Burlington is at Chicago, and the terminals of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific, by the Burlington, are virtually at Chicago. The Rock Island's Eastern terminal is at Chicago, so that the Erie will be the direct Eastern outlet for four roads. James J. Hill is the largest individual stockholder in the Erie and his stock forms part of the actual control.

NEXT CABLE IN THE PACIFIC

United States, Holland and Germany May Co-operate to Lay It.

From Globe Washington Bureau.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—The next submarine cable of world interest will doubtless be south of our possessions in the Pacific and probably will connect with them at Guam. This new system, if carried out, would require the co-operation of the Dutch and German governments. The plan would be for the Dutch to connect Java, in their East Indies, with the westernmost island of the Caroline group, and for the Germans to carry a cable from the Caroline island to the eastern extremity of their possessions at Bonham island, in the Marshall group. The connection with our cable at Guam would doubtless be made from the point in the Caroline islands where these two cables meet.

Such a line would have immense strategic as well as commercial advantages, since the Caroline islands contain many good harbors and bases for naval operations and naval reserves. To know what is going on in there by cable would at times be of the utmost value, even in the absence of conditions which warranted the controlling government from shutting off the transmission of information.

COLORED MAN GETS FEDERAL OFFICE IN BOSTON

William H. Lewis Appointed Assistant United States Attorney.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—W. H. Lewis, a colored man, has been appointed an assistant United States attorney for Boston. The appointment was made by Henry P. Moulton, the United States district attorney for the Boston district, but it is understood the selection was made through the suggestion of President Roosevelt.

Mr. Lewis is a graduate of Amherst college and Harvard law school, and while there he was held in high regard by both the student body and the faculty. He took a high rank in his studies, and was a popular member of the football squad. He is said to be a lawyer of excellent attainments.

Duke and Duchess Approaching.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The Duke and Duchess of Manchester and the Earl and Countess Carnavon will sail for New York Jan. 14.