

TO CARRY OUT THE LAW

French Council of Ministers Frame Articles

FOR CHURCH SEPARATION

The Measures Will Offer Means for the Catholics to Continue Public Worship--Will Be Submitted Tonight.

Paris, Dec. 15.—A council of ministers today framed a bill containing six articles for the carrying out of the separation law, yet offering means for the Catholics to continue their public worship. The measure will be submitted to Parliament tonight.

NEW GOVERNOR'S PLANS.

Mr. Hughes Proposes to Investigate the Banking Department.

New York, Dec. 15.—Governor-elect Charles E. Hughes was asked yesterday whether the resignation of Frederick E. Kiburn, superintendent of banks, would have any effect on his promise to investigate the state banking department.

Mr. Hughes said he had not received any intimation that Insurance Superintendent Kelsey was considering his resignation. He said also that he had not been asked to review the charges against Fiscal Superintendent H. N. Bond, which were dismissed by Governor Higgins.

WOMAN FORGER SENTENCED.

Admits She Has Served Time for Signing Depew's Name on a Check.

New York, Dec. 15.—Josephine Catherine Booth of Washington, yesterday was sentenced to Auburn prison for five years and one month for forgery. Mrs. Booth pleaded guilty to passing a check bearing the signature "William A. Jones," and drawn on the Chemical National bank of this city.

EPIDEMIC OF MESSAGES.

President Will Send Six Special Ones to Congress Next Week.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Six special messages will be sent to Congress next week by President Roosevelt as follows: On the naval personnel bill designed to retire and promote naval officers more rapidly; transmitting Secretary McCall's report upon alleged discrimination against Japanese school children in San Francisco; on Panama; on the public land question; transmitting Secretary Taft's report on Cuba; on the Senate resolution calling for information relative to the dismissal of the negro soldiers.

MISUNDERSTOOD ROOST.

Declare His Friends, Regarding Form of Government Speech.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Secretary Root's friends say there is a misunderstanding of the doctrine he expounded regarding the dual form of government at the Pennsylvania society dinner in New York. They declare he did not advocate the extreme centralization of authority in the federal government.

PILOT BOAT SUNK.

Steamer Crashes into One Near Highland Light.

New York, Dec. 15.—The steamship Monterey crashed into Sandy Hook Pilot boat Hermit, No. 7, this morning off Highland Light, and sank her. Her three pilots and crew of seven were rescued from the boat which disappeared three minutes after being struck.

ANOTHER RAISE IN WAGES.

A Ten Per Cent Increase for Standard Oil Men.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Standard Oil company announced yesterday that it will advance the wages of all its employees now receiving less than \$100 a month by 10 per cent beginning January 1st.

Kaiser Greets King Kaakon.

Berlin, Dec. 15.—Remembering the slight given to his royal visitor, Frederick of Denmark by the people of Berlin, Kaiser William today received King Kaakon and Queen Maud of Norway at Potsdam, after cancelling the arrangements for the reception at the Capitol. But brilliant functions are prepared at Potsdam.

Deplores President's Stand.

San Francisco, Dec. 15.—The labor Council last night adopted resolutions deploring and condemning the utterances of President Roosevelt on the Japanese question and denouncing the plans to naturalize Japanese.

JEREMIAH CURTIN DEAD.

Was Distinguished Author and Linguist.

Bristol, Dec. 15.—Jeremiah Curtin, aged 55, the distinguished author and literary critic, known widely as the translator of "Quo Vadis," died here yesterday afternoon at the residence of his wife, Mrs. A. M. Norton after an illness of two months with acute Bright's disease. The funeral arrangements were not completed last evening. It is probable that the service will be held some time Sunday with interment in Bristol.

Mr. Curtin was best known by his translation from the Polish of "Quo Vadis" and eight other works of Henryk Sienkiewicz, and from the Russian of Michael Zagoskin's "Tales of Three Centuries," and Count Tolstoy's "Prince Serbryani."

The deceased was also a distinguished linguist. He knew about 60 languages and dialects, ranging from Sanskrit, Greek, Hebrew and the Oriental languages to nearly all the dialects and languages of the present day.

MRS. BIRDSONG SENTENCED.

Five Years in Penitentiary and the Case Was Appealed.

Hazlehurst, Miss., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Angie Birdsong was yesterday denied a new trial by Judge Miller. She was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary and notice was given of appeal to the Mississippi supreme court.

When the notice of appeal was filed, counsel for Mrs. Birdsong made application for bail, which was granted in the sum of \$10,000. She was later released on bond.

Mrs. Birdsong shot and killed Dr. Thomas Butts of Monticello, Miss., Nov. 25, 1905, and the trial was concluded several days ago. She was convicted of manslaughter. Since that time she has been seriously ill. Because of her young child and her illness, Mrs. Birdsong was never sent to jail.

STORES BURNED IN HARTFORD.

Heart of Business District Threatened—Damage \$28,000.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 15.—Four stores in the heart of the business district were burned early yesterday. The fire broke out in the cellar of the building at 87 Pratt street and quickly spread to the adjoining stores, one of which is the jewelry house of J. E. Griffith. E. H. Cook's fur store was completely burned out, also the photographic store of N. A. Sperry. After a hard fight the firemen got the upper hand of the flames. It is estimated that the loss caused by the fire will amount to \$28,000.

DELAYS BURNHAM'S SENTENCE.

Legal Question Caused Postponement Till Monday.

New York, Dec. 15.—The imposition of sentence upon George Burnham, Jr., counsel of the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance company, who was convicted of grand larceny of the company's funds a few days ago, has been postponed until Monday. Justice Greenbaum said he wanted to consider a legal question in the case before imposing sentence.

FOR SMUGGLING CHINAMEN.

John C. Lehmann Sentenced to Three Months' Imprisonment.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 15.—John C. Lehmann, charged with aiding in the illegal handling of 42 Chinamen at this port on the schooner Frolic, entered a plea of nolo contendere yesterday in the United States Marshal's office, after having retraced the plea of nolo contendere. He was then sentenced to three months' imprisonment and fined \$50.

SEVERE STORM AT NAPLES.

Transatlantic Liners Delayed in Sailing—Damage in the Harbor.

Naples, Dec. 15.—A severe storm which swept over this city yesterday caused serious damage in the harbor and damaged a number of ships. The transatlantic liners, especially the Prinzess Irene of the North German Lloyd line, were delayed in sailing.

WASHINGTON.

J. J. Daehner has purchased the corner lot in the village known as the Skinner lot, and intends to use the same for a saw mill.

The grange gave an oyster supper at their hall Friday evening and an invitation having been extended to the Topsham grange, a good number from that place was in attendance.

An Independent Order of Foresters lodge was organized Wednesday evening, with a membership of about twenty.

Bert Caldwell left yesterday for Manchester, N. H., where he hopes to find employment. He recently sold his farm, known as the Moody farm, to Myron Calef. Mr. Calef has moved onto the same.

WEBSTERVILLE.

William S. McAulay died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Roland Allen, at about midnight last night. His age was 78 and he had been here but a little less than a year. The funeral will be held Sunday and the body will be taken to Winslow, P. Q., Monday morning, for interment.

A very pleasant surprise was given Miss Lillian Pratt at her home in Websterville last evening, when about sixty of her friends called on her. James Lamson, in behalf of the company presented her with a jewel case containing a handsome gold chain and locket, besides a sum of money.

King Oscar More Favorable. Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 15.—King Oscar's condition is reported more favorable this morning.

RAILROAD BILL A LAW

Commission Will Be Named To-day, Probably

LEGISLATURE DRAGS WORK

With Only One More Day of Life Before It, It Does But Little—A New Cattle Bill in the Senate.

Montpelier, Dec. 15.—Although it was supposed to be the next to the last day of the biennial session of the Vermont legislature, business started off today as if dragging at an snail's pace.

Governor Proctor has signed the bill creating a new railroad commission, and it is likely that he will appoint the three commissioners late today, so that they will be acting on next Monday, it being the custom to lay the appointments on the table for 24 hours. He also has a cattle commission to name.

The farmers had their day in both branches today. In the Senate a new bill was introduced relating to cattle commission, being amendatory to a previous act. It places the salary at \$1,200; carcasses of slaughtered cattle may be sold for phosphate under certain restrictions, and the hides shall go to the owner of the slaughtered animals.

State aid for county fairs was a subject for extended discussion in the House. The bill provides that the state shall pay to agricultural societies a sum not exceeding \$300 a year. It also provides for the improvement, levying, or increase of show or exhibition, and bars all kinds of gambling.

The subject of the state cannot afford to go into the fair business. The bill was pretty generally supported by the farmers and passed the House.

RACE CLOSSES TONIGHT.

Still Hope That Walworth May Win the Race.

New York, Dec. 15.—Preparatory to the last hours of the six-day bicycle race, the police this morning cleared the eight-lap track of Madison Square Garden. The race ends at 10:10 tonight, and many hopes were held that Tedell still have a chance to gain the needed lap and win. The pair made another desperate attempt shortly after 10 o'clock today. It was unsuccessful and Walworth entered a protest against Downey and Moran for forcing him up onto the bank.

WAS NOT STRONG.

Ice Gave Way and One Horse Was Drowned.

Barton, Dec. 15.—While Ray Comer of Glover was crossing Stone pond with a pair of horses Thursday the ice gave away and both horses went down. Help was near at hand and saved one horse, while the other was drowned.

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO KILL.

Bomb Thrown at Admiral Dubasoff, But Only Slightly Injured.

Moscow, Dec. 15.—Another unsuccessful attempt was made today to kill Admiral Dubasoff, former governor-general. He was slightly injured by a bomb thrown at his carriage by two men. The assailants were arrested.

STEAMER PROBABLY LOST.

And All of Her Thirty-One Men With Her.

Bay Field, Wis., Dec. 15.—The tug Crosby arrived here this morning carrying the crew of the steamer Ireland, which was foundered in Lake Superior with the loss of one life. The crew reports that the steamship Manitowish with 31 men, has probably gone to the bottom of the lake.

GROTON.

J. C. Harvey returned from St. Johnsbury Tuesday, having finished his duties as grand juror.

A son was born Wednesday to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Vance at Westville. Mrs. Charles Frost of Lacombe, N. H., was in town the first of the week to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Deborah Ford.

Mrs. F. D. McNeill has spent the week with friends in Montpelier and Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Eastman of Newbury were visiting their sister, Mrs. I. O. Ricker, Wednesday.

Miss Gertrude Clark went to Concord, N. H., Saturday, where she has a position in a telephone office.

Dexter Whitehall has completed his repairs on his house and moved his family in.

It will be of interest to many to know that the Rathbone Sisters and the Pythian Sisterhood are consolidated. The name of the consolidated body is Pythian Sisters. The change was effected at the biennial session of the Supreme Temple, held at New Orleans, October 16, 1906.

Among arrivals at the City hotel today are C. H. Graves, Boston; C. H. Boundy, Randolph; and E. W. Ansley, Syracuse, N. Y.

Bowling—Bowling at Buzzella's, Pearl street. The place to get physical exercise after a day's work at your desk. Try it. Nothing better for the nerves and muscles. Open from 7 a. m. to 11 p. m.

AN OUTSIDE VIEW.

Of the United States Quarries and Granite Construction Co., of Barre.

A. M. Hunt, editor and publisher of "Granite," in the December issue of that publication has the following to say of a local concern:

"We have had many inquiries regarding this concern, and from those who apparently are endeavoring to get at the bottom of the facts regarding it; and for this reason that we find such a general interest among the trade, we consider it incumbent upon ourselves to publish what we have found up to the present time.

"Our first attention was drawn to this concern by the notices of its incorporation under the laws of the State of Maine, which notice stated that this company was incorporated with a capital of \$600,000.

"We cannot recall the names of the incorporators, but none of the names were familiar to us. This company was again drawn to our attention by the full page advertisements which they were carrying in the Barre Daily Times. The advertisement which we saw carried the recommendation of two of the leading banks in Barre. We wrote to the banks asking for information about the concern. One bank did not answer; the other one stated that he, the cashier, had not authorized the use of the name of the bank in the advertisement, but possibly some of the directors had.

"In conversation with Mr. J. B. Campbell had been a former resident of Barre and that he came from Chicago well recommended to them.

"At the time this company started in Barre, we were stated that they had a contract for a sixteen story building, to be erected in Chicago, of granite. Up to date we have been unable to definitely locate this building, and as far as we have been able to ascertain, there has been no attempt to cut the building from granite.

"We interviewed Mr. Campbell on a recent visit to Barre. By the way, the office of this company is located on the ground floor of one of the best buildings in that section, and is very nicely furnished for an office representing quarry interests. At the time of our visit we could not ascertain from Mr. Campbell that anything definite had been done. We were told that they had secured control of the so-called Whitcomb & Bond quarry property. We were requested not to say anything about it, but since our interview this has been published in the daily paper, and we assume it is no longer a secret.

"It is also stated that this company had secured the control of certain properties, on which there are a deposit of granite, and that the company would commence quarrying at once. We cannot learn, however, that they have commenced quarrying, but they may have done so. A recent statement in a local paper was to the effect that this company had secured a contract for a dock, one quarter mile long, and dam to be erected in Connecticut. We have been unable up to date to ascertain where either the dock or the dam is located.

"We have before us a circular letter, issued by this company, in a local paper, Nov. 17th. The heading in part, reads as follows: 'Largest Quarries in the World.' We assume this may refer to Barre, Vt., having the largest quarries in the world, but it is not a fact that the United States Quarries & Granite Construction Co. control these quarries.

"The extent of their quarry proposition up to date is above stated. Also, under the same heading, is the following: 'Largest Plant in the United States.' On the reverse side of this circular is a picture of the 'Largest Plant in the United States,' but as yet this plant is on paper alone; the foundation has not as yet been started. In fact, in a recent issue of the local paper, it was stated that this company would be unable to cut the granite for the dam and dock, aforesaid, on account of their not having a plant to cut it in. This circular reads as follows: 'We Now Control the Best and the Largest Light Barre Granite Quarry Properties; the extensive facilities can produce the granite in wholesale quantities, and fill all orders for stock upon receipt of the same.' This is a rank injustice to the other concerns in Barre. This company does not control the largest and best Barre granite quarry properties; and as far as we can ascertain are not in a position to furnish granite any cheaper than the other quarrying concerns. The circular is liable to mislead the trade, in this statement alone, that they control the 'best and largest light Barre granite quarry properties.' The Messrs. E. L. Smith & Co., Jones Bros. Co., The Consolidated Granite Co., and others, producing the light and medium granites, are still in the hands of their original owners and are the largest quarries in Barre. As no statement is made regarding the controlling interest in the quarrying properties, they are still in the hands of those who have controlled them in the past."

Sad Life Ended. Burlington, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Richard Underhill, widow of a former prominent lawyer in Brooklyn, N. Y., died here yesterday in obscurity and great poverty. She was raised in luxury and brilliantly educated. Following the death of Mr. Underhill the widow married a Brooklyn clerk named Dyer, and through his investments lost all of the \$80,000 left by her first husband. She attempted to run a boarding house in Brooklyn, but the building was burned and she was thereby reduced to absolute paucity.

Menu. The menu for the baked bean supper at the Congregational church tonight will be as follows: Baked Beans, Cold Meats, Brown Bread, Rolls, Pickles, Doughnuts, Cake and Coffee, Ice cream and cake will be served this afternoon.

Admission 10c, including supper 15c.

GRANITEVILLE. It will be as possible of the Ladies' Aid society meet with Mrs. Malcolm McKinnon, Monday afternoon.

Miss Blanche Stewart left this afternoon to spend the holidays at her home in Fairfax.

ACCUSED OF BURGLARY

Jesse Collins of Moretown and Will Goodrich

ARE LOCKED UP IN JAIL

Charged With "Breaking, Entering and Burglaring" Store and Postoffice at Middlesex on October 11th.

Montpelier, Dec. 15.—Jesse Collins of Moretown and Will Goodrich of South Burlington are in jail here, charged with breaking, entering and burglarizing the postoffice and store of C. C. Ward at Middlesex on October 11. Because of the bungling way in which the job was done, State's Attorney Gates believed it the work of amateurs, and after a thorough investigation, the above parties were arrested. The burglars took stamps and groceries from the store and post-office, which are in one and the same place. Mr. Ward being postmaster, Ball has not yet been fixed.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Maeckie Rascoe is on the sick list. Beautiful new leather goods at Fitts'. Miss Bertha Tierney was in Waterbury last evening.

The city school closed yesterday for a vacation of three weeks.

Mrs. J. D. Yandow of Burlington is visiting relatives in town.

Miss Grace Hoyt went to her home in Lyndonville today for a visit.

William Rice of Claremont visited friends in the city yesterday.

Miss Robert Horton left last night to visit at her home in Boston.

Charles Magoon of Topsham was in the city on business yesterday.

Miss Nellie Foley left last evening for a few days' stay in Burlington.

H. T. Walker of Brookfield was in the city on business this morning.

Miss Elizabeth Dutton of Westminster was in town on business yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilber Nichols and Jas. Riley were in Waterbury last evening.

Frank Millman went to Bellows Falls this morning for a few days' vacation.

Miss Mabel Kelley returned last night from a visit at her home in Burlington.

Mrs. Charles Barrows of Central street is confined to the house by illness.

Miss Hope Davis left last evening to spend the holidays at her home in Connecticut.

Miss Alice Haley went to her home in Waterbury last night to spend the holidays.

Dr. G. D. Wheeler of Melrose, Mass., formerly of Barre, is the guest of friends in the city.

Robert Shannon left today for Oklahoma City, Okla., where he will spend the winter.

B. W. Hoadey of Brattleboro, formerly lieutenant of Co. E, is visiting friends in this city.

Principal and Mrs. O. D. Mathewson went to Wheelock today to pass the holiday vacation.

Miss Alice and Stanley Berry left this morning to spend the holidays at their home in Richmond.

Mrs. William Wales and Miss Lena Wales went to Burlington this morning on a business visit.

Prof. and Mrs. E. B. Richards and child left today for a three weeks' vacation in Harlow, Mass.

There is probably the largest line of Mexican hand-drawn linens you have ever seen in Barre at Fitts' store.

Mrs. A. W. Slocum of 166 Hill street, who was badly burned Wednesday about the head and hands is rapidly recovering.

Mrs. F. R. Northrop and Miss Lena Burbank went to South Royalton this afternoon to spend Christmas at their home.

Miss Charlotte Crow went to her home in South Ryegate this morning to spend the vacation of three weeks of the city school.

A Giachino at the Vermont Fruit store, has just received the \$5 records by Francesco Tamagno, the world's greatest singer.

The president of the Barre class of the Congregational Sunday school requests a full attendance tomorrow. Important business.

Arthur Wallace and Nathan Vinton returned yesterday from the Albany Business college to spend a vacation of three weeks at their homes in this city.

The D. A. Perry Real Estate agency has sold for Wilbur N. Turner the farm which he recently bought in Williams town, to Lewis H. Coates of Montpelier, Consideration, \$2,650.

Mrs. Goss is to remove her exhibition of china from the Red Cross pharmacy to Reynolds' store, where she will continue to be open to the public.

The regular meeting of the I. O. O. F. M. U. will be held in K. of C. hall on Monday, December 17, at 7 p. m. Election of officers. Refreshments will be served. Amusement committee requests to be present. For order secretary.

MILDRED ALICE LINNELL

Died in Lowell, Mass., Dec. 2, Aged 17 Years and 4 Months.

The friends of Mrs. E. E. Linnell of this city, where the family resided for a time, Mr. Linnell being in the grocery business, will sympathize with her in the death of her only daughter. The Lowell Courier-Citizen has the following:

"Mildred Alice Linnell died at the residence of W. T. Dole, Westford street, after an illness of five months, although the dread disease laid its hand upon her nearly a year before. Everything in human power was done to stay its progress, yet she drooped like a flower from day to day until the angel beckoned at sunset and she answered the call to go home.

Mildred Alice Linnell was born July 17, 1889. She was the only child of the late Edgar E. and Nancy T. Linnell. She leaves a mother, whose life is made desolate by the loss of one whose devotion to her was unbounded. Her sweet young life, so sweet of bright prospects ended, it seems to the many whose hearts she had won, all too soon.

Six years ago her father went 'home,' and since then Mildred had been in school, entering the Lowell high school in 1905. She was a devoted member of the Sunday school and the Y. P. S. C. E., of the Highland Congregational church. During her entire illness she manifested an intense interest in all the work of the church she loved, and looked forward eagerly to returning to school as an opportunity of proving her own devotion to her Saviour.

The profusion of flowers at her funeral from friends in Boston, Mass., also from Montpelier, Westfield and school, from teachers and classmates in the Lowell high school, from the Highland Congregational church, Sunday school, and Christian Endeavor society testified to the love and esteem in which she was held. Her mother has the heartfelt sympathy of a wide circle of friends in this city and elsewhere.

The funeral service was held at the residence of Deacon W. T. Dole, who had charge of the funeral. Rev. A. Frederick Dunneal, pastor of the Highland Congregational church, officiated.

The bearers were schoolmates of the deceased: Chester Blake, John Rogers, Marcus Hartwell and Harrison Byram. The interment in the Edison cemetery was under the direction of Horace E. A.

HOUSE GUTTED BY FIRE AT MONTEPIER

Eight Spaniards Who Keep Echeleors' Hall Built Hot Fire in Store, Which Communicated to Partition Overhead.

Eight Spaniards who kept barbers' hall in a house on River street in Montpelier filled up the stove last evening and settled down for a pleasant evening at home. Their stovepipe worked badly, however, and the flames soon communicated to the partition on the second story. It wasn't long before the house got so hot that the occupants began to sit up and take notice. The aid of the Montpelier fire department was subsequently invoked, but the house was pretty well destroyed in spite of it, the loss to the owner, John W. Gordon of Barre, being in the neighborhood of \$800 with insurance of \$250.

While one of the eight barbers went to ring in the alarm, his seven friends got busy with their furnishings, including the stove from which the fire started, and also a barrel of beer with the spigot already to be turned on. This latter was watched closely by the crowd which had gathered because too curious as to the contents. The stove kept at its warming task even when set up in the road.

was rented by Jose Aja, Jose Mortheris and J. S. Montelero. The house was the Montpelier fire department's hall half a mile from headquarters, and the flames had gained great headway before they could get there and make connections. The interior of the building was completely gutted. It was a two-story house.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Times and Places of Worship and Subjects of Sermons.

Universalist church. Morning subject, "Riches and Judgments"; evening, illustrated lecture, "The Prophets and Two Notable Women."

Christian Science services tomorrow at 10:45 a. m.; Wednesday evening at 7:30; reading room open Tuesday, and Friday from 2 to 4 o'clock, at 7 Summer street.

In the Presbyterian church the pastor will preach both morning and evening. All members are requested to hand in their Session Ballot. Men's bible class meets at 11:45.

2nd Sunday in Advent, Church of the Good Shepherd. Holy Communion, 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon, 10:30 a. m.; Sunday school 12 m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7 p. m.

At the Methodist church. Morning worship at 10:30, sermon on "The Panic of Great Demands." Bible school at 12. Epworth league at 3:45; evening service at 7. The subject will be "A Nine fourth Century Saint."

At St. Monica's church: Children's mass at 9 o'clock, celebrant, Rev. P. M. McKenna; parish mass at 10:30 o'clock, celebrant, Rev. E. F. Gray; catechism, 3 p. m.; rosary and benedictions 4 p. m.; baptisms at 4 p. m.

At the Baptist church the pastor will preach morning and evening. The subject in the morning will be "Personal Evangelism for Men." In the evening, the third of the series of lectures on "Why I Believe the Bible," the special theme being, "Why I Believe the Bible to Be the Word of God."

SerVICES at Congregational church on Sunday, December 16. The Rev. J. Hall Long of Bethel has been engaged to conduct the services for the day. In the evening it is expected that Miss M. Dean Moffat, field secretary of the Congregational Home Missionary society, will speak on interesting phases of her work.

Quantities of new Christmas neckwear at Fitts'.

SPAULDING WON BOTH

Second Team Won From Company H. 2d

AND 1ST FROM RICHMOND

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